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2x2 Committee Special Agenda
Berkeley City Council Meeting

May 17, 2023
2020 Bonar Street, Room 126
Berkeley, CA 94702
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11:00 - 12:30 PM

Committee Members:

Berkeley Unified School District	Berkeley City Council
Laura Babitt, BUSD Board President, Chair	Councilmember Sophie Hahn
Jennifer Shanoski, BUSD Board Member, <i>Alternate</i>	Councilmember Terry Taplin

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Special Meeting Agenda for May 17, 2023
3. Approval of Minutes for April 28, 2023 (Attachment 1)
4. Public Comment (15 min)
5. Discussion Items

5.1	Update on Milvia Street Project (Attachment 2) - 60 min
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6. Next Meeting: June 16, 2023 1:00 - 2:30 pm
7. Adjournment

This is a meeting of the 2x2 Committee of the Berkeley City Council and the Berkeley Unified School District. Since a quorum of the Berkeley City Council may actually be present to discuss matters with the 2x2 Committee, this meeting is being noticed as a special meeting of the Berkeley City Council as well as the 2x2 Committee meeting.

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Office of the City Manager

Notes - April 28, 2023 2x2 Committee Meeting

1. Call to Order: 9:18 am

Present: Laura Babitt, BUSD, Board President; Ana Vasudeo, BUSD, Board Vice President; and Sophie Hahn, Councilmember

Absent: Terry Taplin, Councilmember

Others Present: Anne Cardwell, Deputy City Manager and Ramonda Clarke, Secretary to City Manager from City of Berkeley. Enikia Ford Morthel, Superintendent; John Calise, Executive Director of Facilities; and Max Eisssler, Director of Technology from Berkeley Unified School District

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda for April 28, 2023

President Babitt moved to approve agenda. The motion was seconded, and passed.

3. Approval of Minutes for February 16, 2023

President Babitt moved to approve minutes. The motion was seconded, and passed.

4. Public Comment

Tom Lent commented that he was pleased by creative thinking being applied for the Milvia lot. Strongly support the proposal to add classrooms and move softball field to Derby. The required transportation needs can be met with a combination of RPP and robust TDM. Need top, notch comprehensive professional TDM survey to understand the potential and design.

Phyllis Orrick spoke commented that the school board considered a possible surplus on Oxbow Elementary site; no action was taken. Suggested that City and BUSD work together to create affordable housing site, in a very highly resourced neighborhood, close to transit, schools and shops.

Mati Teiblum commented that Milvia Parking Project be taken off the books until proven viable and asked how new project presented is part of a master plan for BHS.

Liza Lutzker thanked the committee for creative new solutions around the Berkeley High parking issue. Commented about draft survey to the District and that input gets used; consult with the city. Comments on RPP and cost to teachers.

Cielo Rios thanked the District and City for working together to pursue creative options that reserve bond money and physical space for our kids instead of cars. Help remedy challenges for elementary and middle school staff, who use cars as primary forms of transit due to Berkeley's unaffordable housing crisis and challenges the comprehensive public transit to school sites.

Rachey Lee expressed excitement about new solutions. Agreed with completely eliminating the parking structure project. Offered to help or serve on a committee, to move new efforts forward.

5. Discussion Items

5.1 - Partnership to Mitigate Ongoing Vandalism Around School Sites, and Fines Imposed by Code Enforcement

Director Calise presented. He spoke about commitment from Board and Council Members to create a partnership for ongoing issues with vandalism. He stated that BUSD's walls are tagged heavier and it requires BUSD to paint windscreens each time - typically 15 hours overtime on a Saturday and within 24 hours, 75 to 85% of the graffiti is back. He mentioned that BUSD has been issued fines by code enforcement. They are looking for additional solutions, such as windscreens with preprinted murals.

Councilmember Hahn commented that this goes in the broader context of how the City should prioritize the needs of our sister organizations and sister agencies. She mentioned that they had created a program to prioritize BUSD's Public Works requests, which would include dealing with city signs that had graffiti on it and keeping curbs and crosswalks painted -- Bright Streets. The referral to have the City establish a form to have BUSD's Public Works requests jump the line has not been implemented. At recent City Council meeting, it was asked that this be treated as a short-term referral.

Peter Radu who oversees Neighborhood Services for the City provided an update on BUSD's property at 1222 University with the windscreens. He clarified that no citations have been issued to BUSD in the past three years. He also stated that after looking into issue more closely with the City Attorney, the determination was reached that the City does not have authority to enforce Graffiti Ordinance against BUSD - BMC 1398. The City team will halt current and future enforcement of BMC 1398 against BUSD properties and will rescind any outstanding notices or citation warnings. He further expressed genuine interest in being collaborative in working with property owners.

Director Calise stated that fines were never paid during COVID and no refunds are required. He further commented that PD indicated that the repeat offenders, particularly at West Campus, are

the ones tagging the majority of the City and with talking PD, they were willing to put officers on overtime overnight in hopes of apprehending repeat offenders.

President Babitt commented that support is needed for making sure the graffiti stops as it is costing the District a lot of money to constantly address graffiti.

Deputy City Manager Cardwell stated that the City will touch base with Police Chief on the overtime issue.

PW Director Garland advised that the City Manager issued an off-agenda memo in August 2022, updating the community on the progress with the Bright Streets initiative. He also advised that in advance of start of school year, Public Works circles all schools (about a block radius) to make sure that signage, curb painting, pavement markings, etc., are all updated and refreshed.

Vice President Vasudeo commented that at a previous 2x2 meeting the discussion regarding Bright Street was to follow the same model that SFMTA with SFSD which is to reach out to principals. Do you know if that's being followed?

PW Director Garland advised that they will share department update at next 2x2 meeting.

Vice President Vasudeo stated she would like to coordinate with the principals regarding traffic safety concerns of the parents within the three blocks.

PW Director Garland stated that principals who have traffic safety concerns can reach him directly and get prioritized.

Councilmember Hahn commented regarding clarifying two things. One, giving priority to Bright Streets before the school year begins along perimeter of school and kids' routes to school. Two, ongoing, all year requests and having a system for those making sure they get to head of queue.

5.2 - Update on the Milvia Street Project

The committee received a PowerPoint presentation from Director Calise regarding Update on Milvia Street Project. This was followed by committee members asking questions.

Vice President Vasudeo asked clarifying question regarding why TDM survey is being done separate from the staff survey and why the different timelines.

Director Calise responded that the TDM survey is a robust survey much bigger than what can be done in house. There is a need to know how many people are driving and why; and how many spots are available in the neighborhood. TDM is forthcoming; but there is limit on what can be produced.

Vice President Vasudeo asked who is doing the TDM survey, the timeline and how is the District incentivizing staff to use sustainable means for transportation.

Director Calise responded that the District has not picked a consultant to do the TDM. The

District currently incentivizes staff with the Cafeteria Plan; but could not speak as to whether the District has additional money to incentivize.

President Babitt asked for next steps to solve teachers' need to move cars every two hours and if there were different policy issues to work on in interim for more parking permits.

PW Director Liam Garland commented that the plan is to take the presentation to the City's technical experts in parking program, do some further analysis, especially the pros and cons of different policy options in front of the USD and the City and return with analysis and alternatives at next 2x2 meeting.

Councilmember Hahn requested clarification regarding placement of proposed new building and tennis courts.

Director Calise responded that four tennis courts, the new building, and additional parking will be on the main campus.

Councilmember Hahn stated she was looking forward to having data about how many parking permits are desired and what the City will decide to do.

Director Calise stated the intent to have results regarding how many people are driving by next meeting.

Director Vasudeo spoke about the conversation needed for TDM and how are we incentivizing staff to travel more sustainably.

5.3. - Update on Berkeley Youth Equity Partnership

Director of Health, Housing and Community Services, Dr. Lisa Warhuus, along with Nina Goldman, Katie Cobian presented on Berkeley Youth Equity Partnership. The presentation covered the New Name, Impacts of Berkeley's 2020 Vision; Lessons Learned; YEP's Framework and Key Activities. This was followed by committee members asking questions.

President Babbit thanked HHCS for presentation and expressed BUSD goal for partnership with the City to support students. President Babbit acknowledged the work and asked for a moment of silence for Hon. Karen Hempfield, former BUSD Board Member and President.

Director Vasudeo commented about having targeted outreach to Umoja and Puente program participants for an opportunity to be a part of the panel. She also spoke about learning how the City is working with CBOs.

Nina Goldman responded that the City funds almost every CBO in Berkeley, in Umoja and Puente, as well as connecting with the three community-based organizations that are serving the Black Lives Matter Resolution. Everyone will be invited to apply in the Fall for next round of funding.

Councilmember Hahn commented about the need for crisper goals in terms of metrics.

President Ford Morthel mentioned a lot of the partners are not clear on metrics around what the program does or what they are trying to accomplish. President Ford Morthel also commented about how to first get clear on what District goals and outcome goals are for students, then working with partners on what their role is in supporting goals. The other discussion was creating clear metrics as partners on the quantitative measures and qualitative measures.

Nina Goldman added that one of the things learned is the complexity of the numbers – collecting data and how it interacts with each other - programs are doing amazing things with kids; but looking at the community measures, there's a disconnect. Expertise is needed in data analysis.

6. Action Item

6.1 - Develop and Prioritize Future Agenda Items

President Babitt asked the committee to have an agreement to prioritize issues for next meeting:
1. Giving more time to resolving parking permit issue; 2. Getting updates on Milvia project; and
3. focusing on next steps on YEP.

Vice President Vasudeo expressed that there are priority topics that come up at 2x2 meetings – 1. Transportation -- Bright Streets and Milvia project; 2. Closing opportunity gap and agencies collaborating; and 3. Safety in our schools.

Councilmember Hahn commented about having 2x2 meetings every month. Other topics of interest are seeing zero waste in plastics, including issues around recycling, composting, reusables at BUSD and how the City can support; interested in shared facilities and expanding shared facilities for more accessible spaces for the rest of the community.

Committees collected list of topics for future meetings: 1. YEP; 2. Safety Task Force; 3. Milvia Street Project; 4. Shared equitable recreation; 5. Transportation – traffic around school; 6. Zero Waste; and 7. Meeting regularly.

Committee agreed on upcoming Special Meeting on May 17, 2023 at 11:00 am and Regular Meeting on June 16, 2023 at 1:00 pm. Further discussion is needed for proposed dates of September 8 at 10:30 am -12:00 pm, November 9 and/or possible date in October.

7. Next Meeting

Special Meeting on May 17, 2023, at 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

Regular Meeting on June 16, 2023, at 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am

Berkeley Unified School District

BUSD-COB 2x2 Meeting

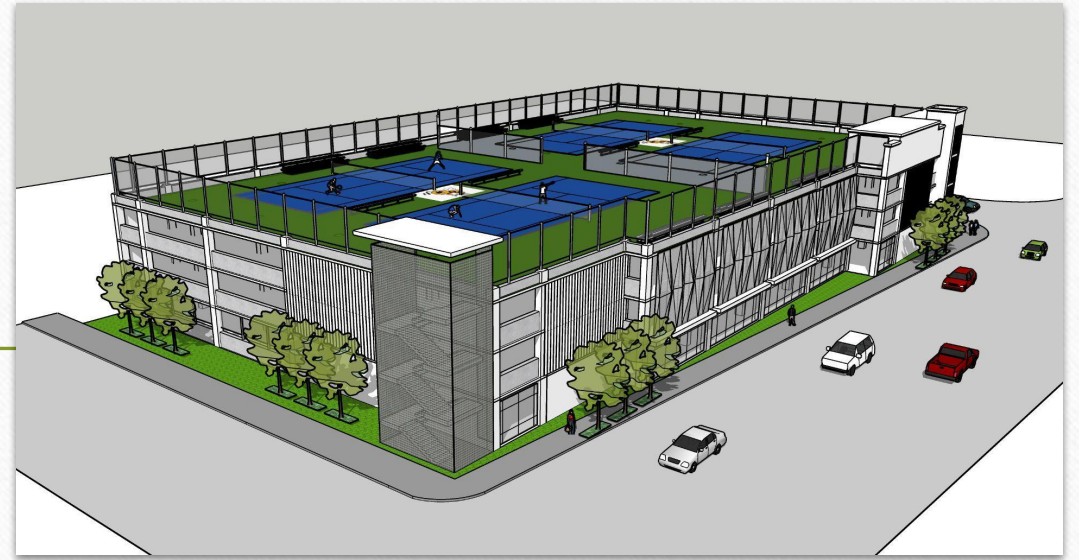
May 17, 2023

Presented by: John Calise, Executive Director Facilities Division

Meeting Objectives

- **Review high-level findings of the parking study**
- **Review high-level findings from internal survey**
- **Engage 2 x 2 in discussion on possible next steps**

Berkeley High School Tennis and Parking Structure

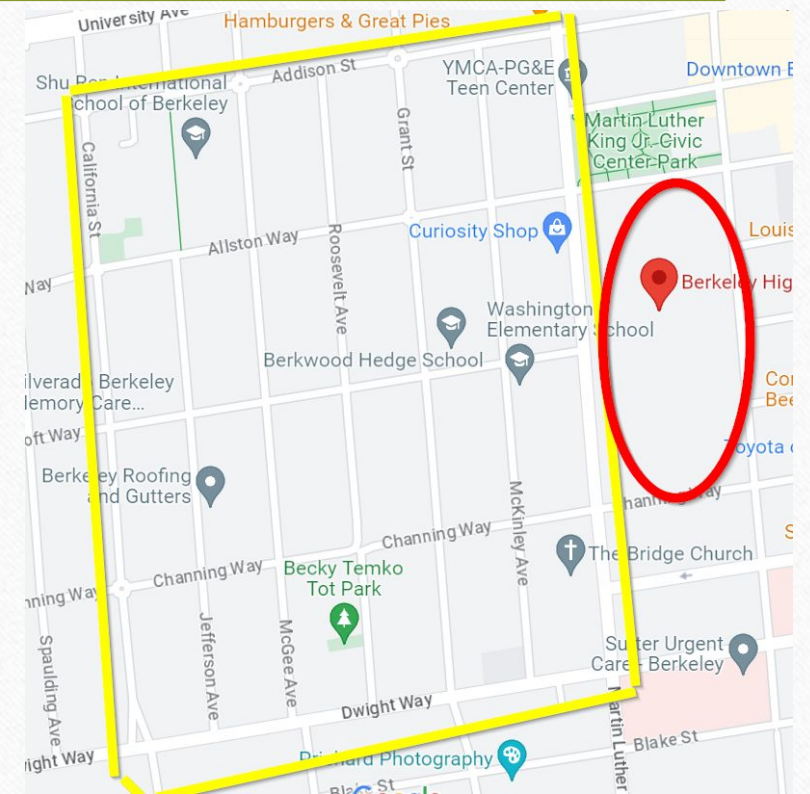


Next Steps for the Milvia Street Project

- **CEQA EIR - In Progress**
- **Design-Build Bridging Documents - In Progress**
- **Parking Survey - Finalized and shared with City Staff**
- **Staff Survey - Finalized**
- **Continued Conversation with City of Berkeley with Survey Results**

Draft Parking Survey

- **24-Block Parking Survey**
- **Boundaries include**
 - Addison Street to the North
 - Martin Luther King Jr. to the East
 - Dwight Way on the South
 - California Street to the West
- 1,425 permit spaces
- ~100 spaces of other types (metered, accessible, etc.)



Parking Survey Results

- **1,425 Permit Parking Spaces Generally 70% occupied weekdays 8am - 3pm**
- **Highest number of vehicles parked in the study are over two days between 8-3 was 1,043 (73%)**
- **Survey reveals roughly 382 available permit parking spaces available during these times**

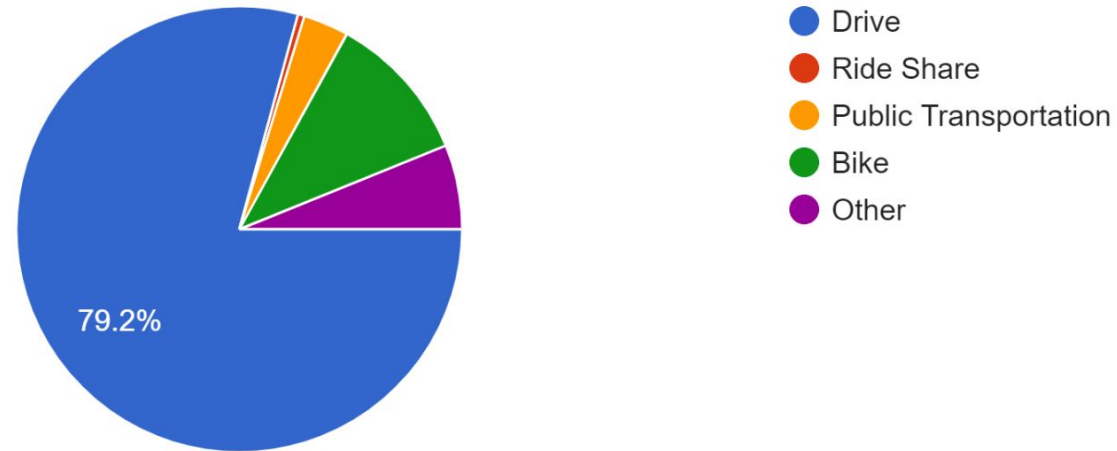
Staff Survey Results

- Survey sent to entire Berkeley High Conference
 - Roughly 525 Staff members including itinerant
 - 212 staff members responded to the survey
 - 40.3 % participation

Staff Survey Results

How do you currently commute to work each day?

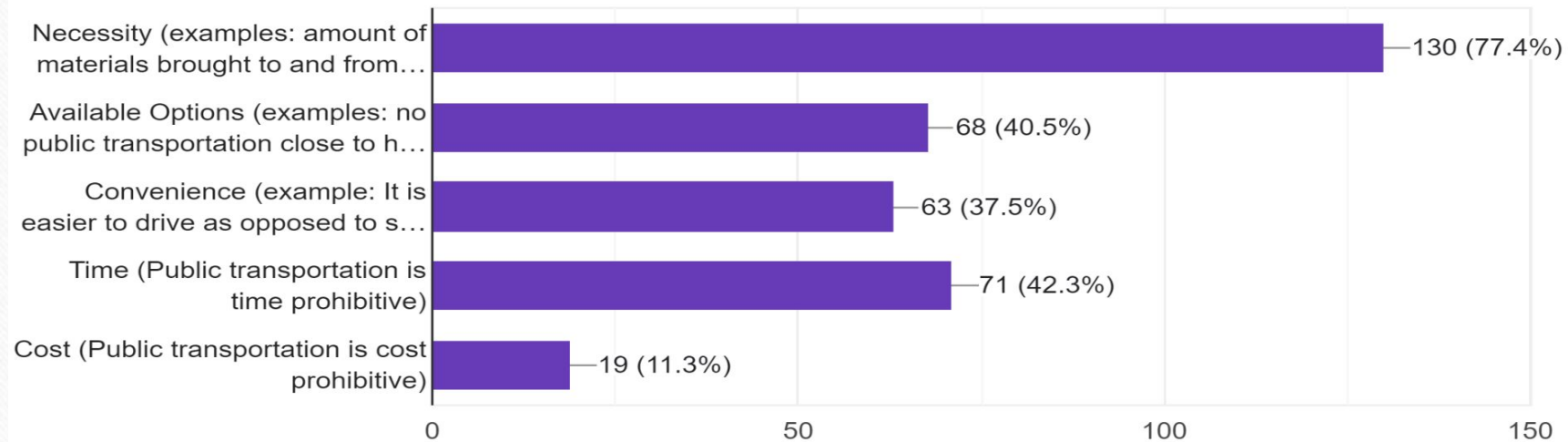
212 responses



Staff Survey Results

Is your commute choice based on necessity, available options, convenience, time, or cost? (Please check all that apply)

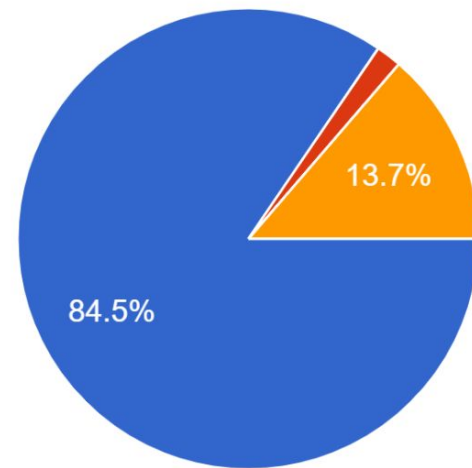
168 responses



Staff Survey Results

If you drive, where do you currently park?

168 responses



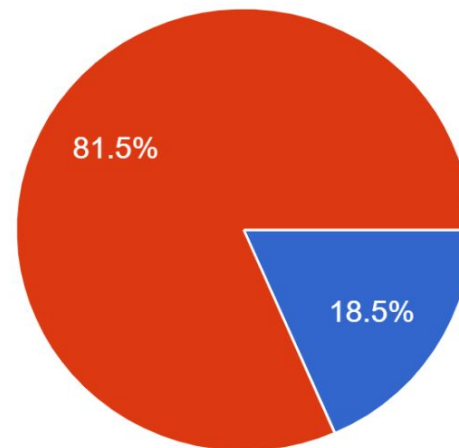
- Staff parking lot
- City or private parking garage
- Surface street / neighborhood parking

Staff Survey Results

If you park on the surface streets / neighborhood, how does this impact your day?

168 responses

- **137 (81.5%) staff members show that they are negatively impacted by RPP.**
- **Roughly 220 Permits are issued per year for the 144 space parking lot**
- **BHS Staff Parking Lot requires a permit for use and then operates on a first come-first serve basis**

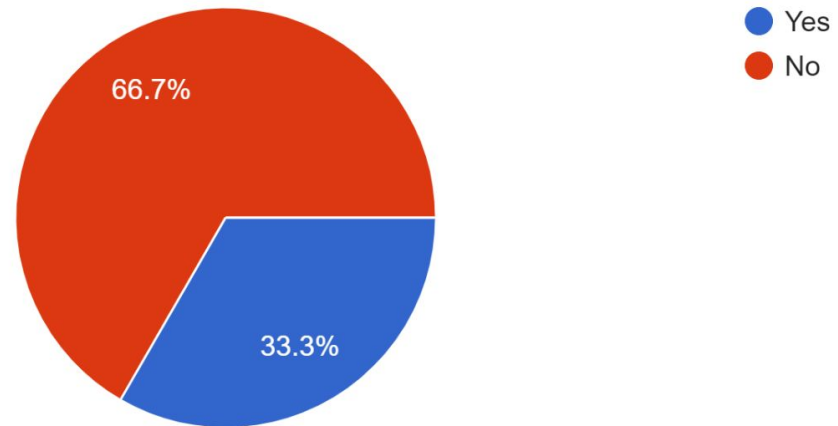


- It doesn't. I search for non-permit spaces
- Severely, as I am required to follow parking restrictions based on the zone and move my car one or more times during the work day

Staff Survey Results

If an alternative means of transportation other than driving were incentivized would this change your current commute choice?

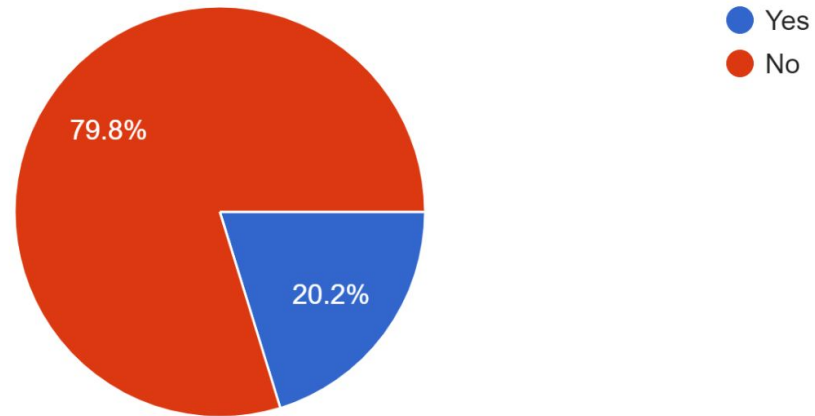
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Staff Survey Results

If an E-Bike was available through a grant program, would this be sufficient to replace your car as your daily commuter?

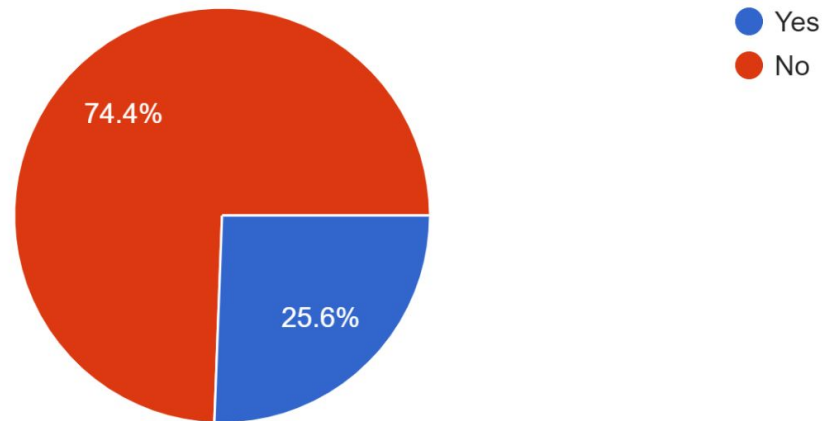
168 responses



Staff Survey Results

If a financial incentive could be offered to encourage the use of public transportation and replace your car as your daily commuter, would this be an option?

168 responses



Staff Survey Results

- **94 Responses** regarding financial incentives to use alternative modes of transportation.
- **Response range**
 - **Low End** - \$70 per month (outlier) to \$500 per month
 - **High End** - \$3,000 per month to \$10,000 per month (outlier)
- **Roughly 310 staff members** not represented in the survey

Thank You!

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