

# 2024 CITIZEN SURVEY RESULTS

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# **AGENDA**:

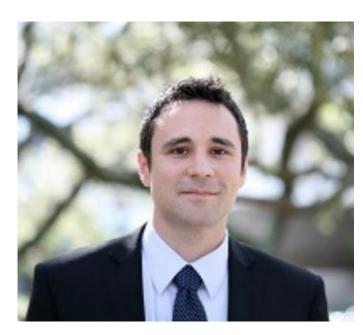
- Introduction of Survey Consultant
- Review of Timeline
- Review of Communication Plan
- Survey Results
- Recommendations





# **2024 Survey Consultant**







#### Stephen R. Neely, PhD

Research Consultant, Forward Analytics

Dr. Neely holds a MBA & Ph.D. in Public Administration from North Carolina State University. He serves as a Professor of Public Administration teaching undergraduate and graduate level classes in in the areas of public policy, quantitative analysis, and survey research.

As a research consultant, he conducts research in the areas of public affairs, public policy, social media, education and K-12 education policy. He was written numerous peer-reviewed public administration publications, opinion papers, lectured at national and local conferences, and has conducted national, state and municipal level survey research.



#### **SURVEY INFORMATION**

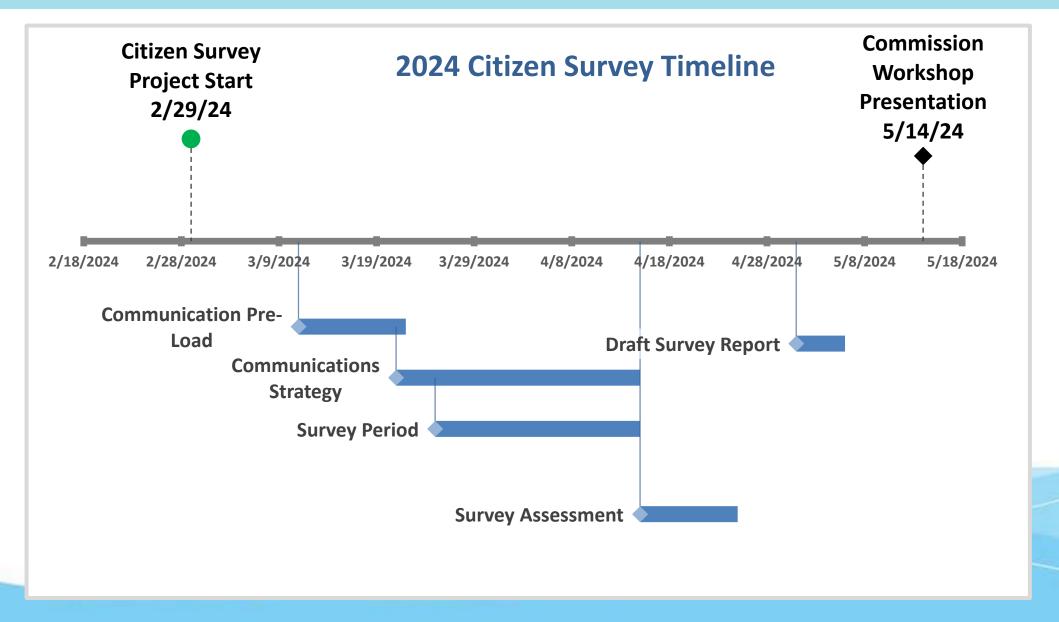
- Closely duplicated 2019 & 2022 survey for comparison purposes
- New & modified questions regarding Parking/Traffic concerns, capital projects/budget & strategic planning priorities
- Approximately 30 survey questions & 7 demographic questions
- Survey ran approximately 4 weeks





# **Survey Timeline**





# 2024 CITIZENS' OPINION SURVEY: COMMUNICATION PLAN



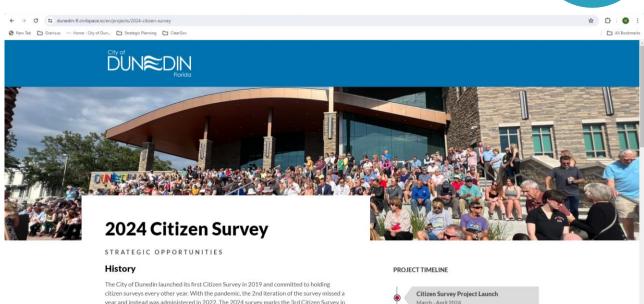


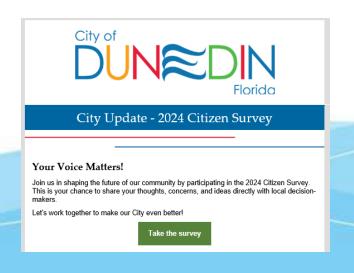
# Communication Plan



#### **Communication Strategy:**

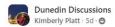
- ✓ Project Page on Website
- ✓ Graphics for flyers & rack cards
- ✓ Blog Post via DunediNEWS
  - Pre-survey posting March 21
  - Continual posting
- ✓ Direct Email Campaign
  - Special DunediNews edition
  - Community email list distribution
- ✓ Social Media Posting
- ✓ Group Sharing
  - Schools, Social Organizations, Boards & Committees
- ✓ Community Ambassadors





# Communication Plan: Social Media





Anyone who wants to have input in what the city is doing or planning has the opportunity to take the city citizen survey. If you want change for anything now is the time to voice your opinions! If yo participate and stay involved you will know the facts about things and not feel as if you have to assume or guess whats really going on. Takes the anxiety and maybe a little drama out of the day t day around town  $\odot$  positive forward!

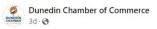


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#### 2024 Citizen Survey

The 2024 Citizen Survey, launching March 25, will provide residents with the opportunity to provi.





The City of Dunedin needs your input to make our community even better than it already is! Please take a moment to have your voice heard. #LifeDunOurWay https://loom.ly/8J5WvBE

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#### CITIZEN **SURVEY 2024**

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Join us in shaping the future of our community by participating in the 2024 Citizen Survey. This is your chance to share your thoughts, concerns, and ideas directly with local decision-makers.

Let's work together to make our City even better!



Dunedin Chamber of Commerce and 5 others

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Take the survey and have your voice heard! #getinvolvedandmakethedifference City of Dunedin Florida - Government





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# Communication Plan: Flyers & Rack Cards



#### In-Person Visit/Flyers

- Chamber of Commerce
- Downtown Businesses
- Bright Beginnings (Belcher Rd)
- Coastal Thrift (Bayshore)
- Kirk Church (Bayshore)
- Sweet Peas Preschool (Bayshore)
- Knot on Main (Bayshore)
- DFAC
- Emergent Kids Preschool (Patricia)
- Dunedin Commons (Patricia)
- Dodges (Patricia)
- Main Street Preschool (580)
- Dunedin Pet Supply (580)
- Dunedin Coin Laundry (580)
- Esporta (580)
- Dunedin Animal Hospital (Pinehurst)
- Bright Beginnings Preschool (Keene)

**Community Center** 

Hale Senior Center

Library

MLK Center

City Hall

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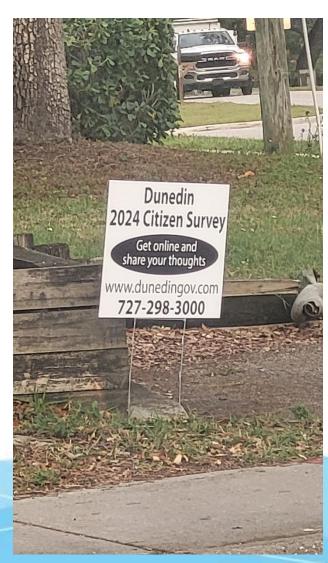


# Communication Plan: Emails & Calls



#### **Group Sharing & Ambassadors**

- City Commission
- City Boards & Committees
- Chamber of Commerce
- Downtown Dunedin Merchants Association (DDMA)
- DFAC
- Dunedin Cares
- Dunedin History Museum
- Mease Manor
- Dunedin Newcomers Club
- Rotary Clubs
- DCO
- Dunedin Boat Club
- Dunedin Little League
- VFW
- DT Task Force & Business, Resident, City (BRC) Council
- Strategic Project Planning Email Distribution List
- Churches: Father Bob, Pastor Shelor, Pastor Bell
- Schools: Dunedin High School, Dunedin Middle, Dunedin Elementary, Garrison Jones, San Jose, Curtis Fundamental



# 2024 CITIZENS' OPINION SURVEY: RESPONSE RATE & DEMOGRAPHICS





# Sample Size, Confidence, Margin of Error



#### Table 1.0

	2022 Survey	2024 Survey
Sample Size	1715	2044
Confidence Level	95%	95%
Margin of error	+/- 2.4%	+/- 2.11%

19%
Increase in
Response
Rate

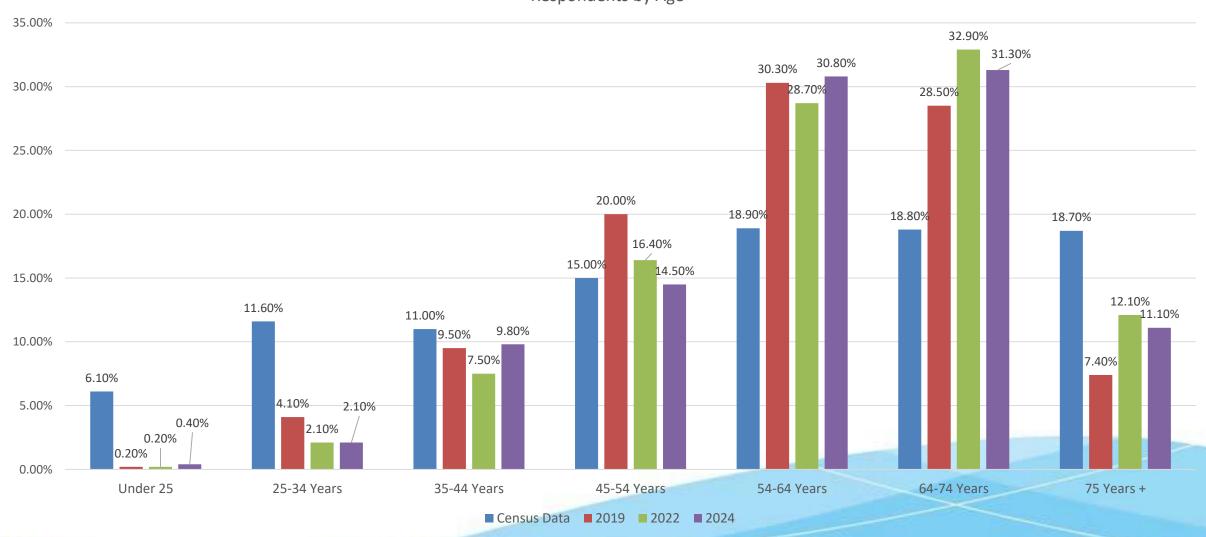
Source: 2022 & 2024 Survey Results



# Demographics - Age



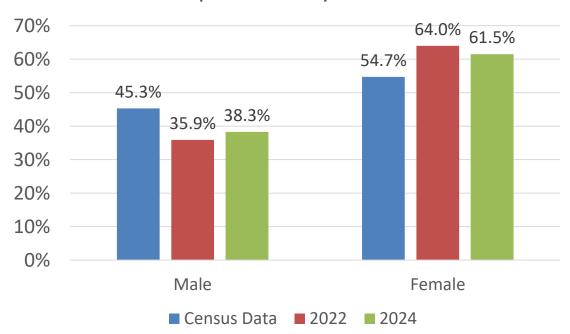
#### Respondents by Age



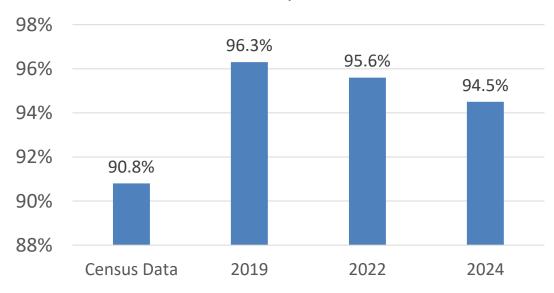
# Demographics – Gender and Race



#### Respondents by Gender



#### White Respondents



#### Minority Respondents:

- Lost ground with African Americans & American Indians
- Similar rates for Asians to Census Data (.7%)
- Increased "Other" from 3.7% in 2022 to 4.2% in 2024
- Hispanic Respondents = 2.7% compared to Census of 6.1%



# 2024 CITIZENS' OPINION SURVEY FINDINGS





# MAJOR FINDINGS – DUNEDIN AS APLACE



(Report Reference page 11-12)

Table 3.

Quality of Life Perceptions (as % of row total)

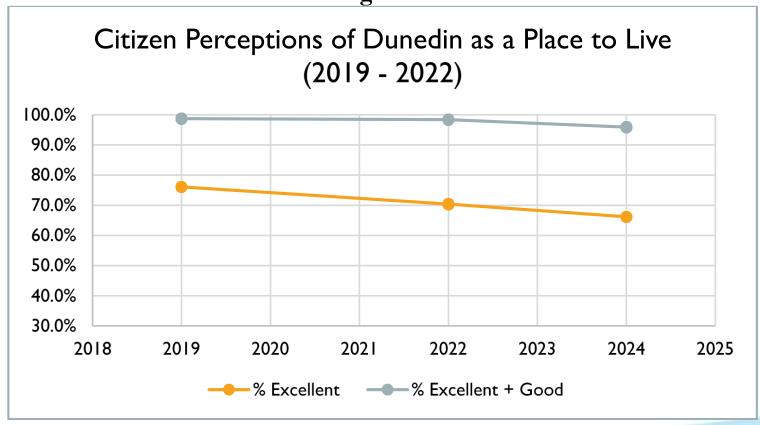
How would you rate the City of Dunedin in each of the following areas?	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Unsure
As a place to live	66.2%	29.7%	3.4%	0.6%	0.1%
As a place to work	22.6%	25.9%	9.6%	2.9%	39.0%
As a place to raise children	36.6%	31.5%	7.5%	1.1%	23.4%
As a place to visit	73.8%	22.4%	2.3%	0.3%	1.3%
As a place to retire	57.9%	25.7%	10.1%	3.5%	2.9%



#### MAJOR FINDINGS – DUNEDIN AS APLACE

(Report Reference page 12)

Figure 1.





# **KEY CHARACTERISTICS & OPPORTUNITIES**



(Report Reference page 13-14)

Table 4.
Satisfaction with Key City Characteristics (as % of row total)

Please indicate whether you are satisfied or dissatisfied with the following characteristics of the city?	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
Overall Aesthetics	58.4%	35.6%	4.7%	1.3%	0.1%
Overall Safety	61.2%	32.3%	5.0%	1.2%	0.3%
Affordable Housing Availability	7.2%	22.2%	29.0%	28.1%	13.6%
Business Opportunities	13.1%	30.6%	10.8%	3.8%	41.7%
Public Transportation	22.3%	34.1%	15.0%	7.2%	21.6%
Traffic Flow and Congestion	8.8%	33.8%	33.0%	23.7%	0.7%

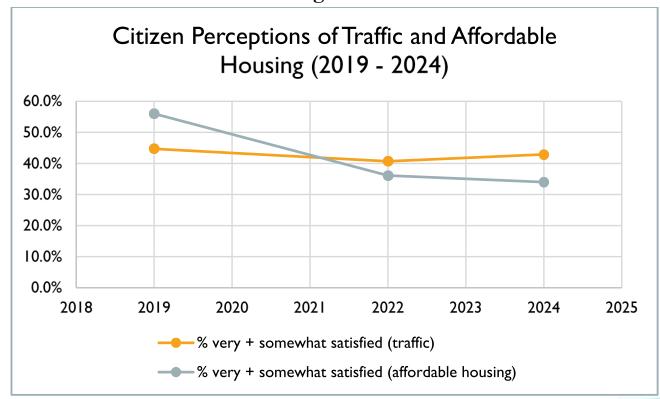


#### **KEY CHARACTERISTICS & OPPORTUNITIES**

(Report Reference page 13-14)



Figure 2.





#### **CITY AMENITIES**

(Report Reference page 15-16)

Table 5.

Satisfaction with City Amenities (as % of row total)

Please indicate whether you are satisfied or dissatisfied with the following amenities offered by the City of Dunedin.	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	omewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Unsure
Dunedin Library	68.4%	11.7%	1.1%	0.3%	18.6%
Dunedin Community Center	55.0%	19.3%	2.0%	0.3%	23.5%
MLK Recreation Center	22.7%	11.8%	1.6%	0.6%	63.2%
Hale Senior Activity Center	31.7%	13.8%	1.4%	0.6%	52.4%
Dunedin Golf Club	17.1%	18.3%	6.4%	2.8%	55.5%
Dunedin Fine Arts Center	53.0%	18.8%	1.3%	0.5%	26.4%



### **CITY AMENITIES CONTINUED**



(Report Reference page 15-16)

Table 6.
Satisfaction with City Amenities (as % of row total)

Please indicate whether you are satisfied or dissatisfied with the following amenities offered by the	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Unsure
City of Dunedin.	Jatisfied	Jatisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	
Highlander Pool	14.2%	17.6%	6.6%	3.0%	58.6%
Kiwanis Sprayground	24.6%	12.2%	1.7%	0.6%	60.9%
Dunedin Marina	33.9%	31.1%	6.4%	1.6%	27.1%
Achieva Paw Park	15.6%	13.1%	5.5%	3.2%	62.7%
Stirling Park Driving Range	21.1%	16.4%	2.6%	0.6%	59.3%

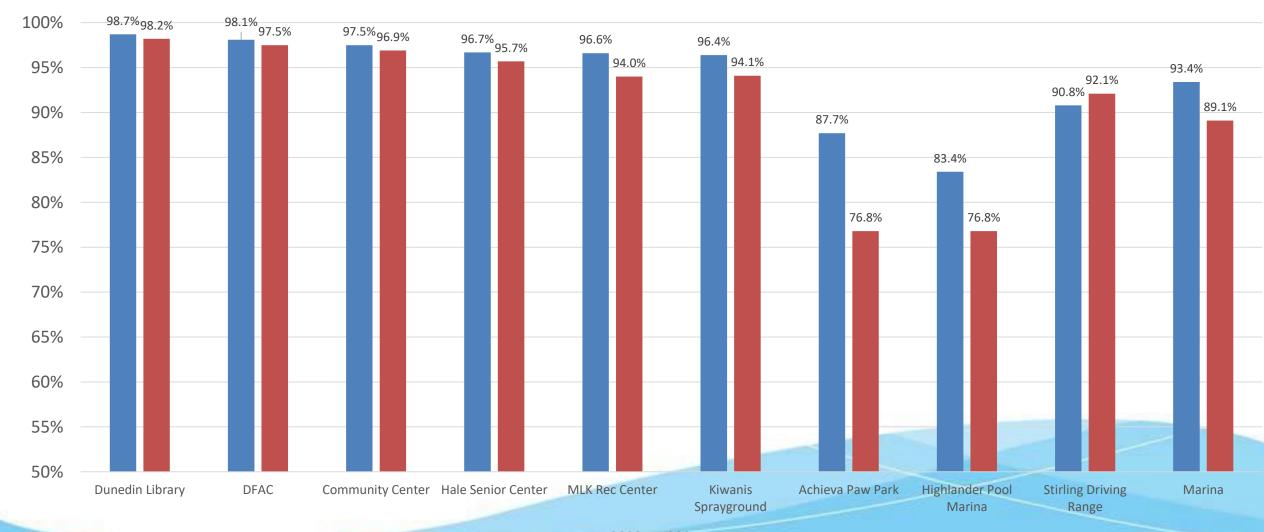


# **CITY AMENITIES COMPARISON 2022-2024**

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#### CITY FACILITIES SATISFACTION COMPARISON

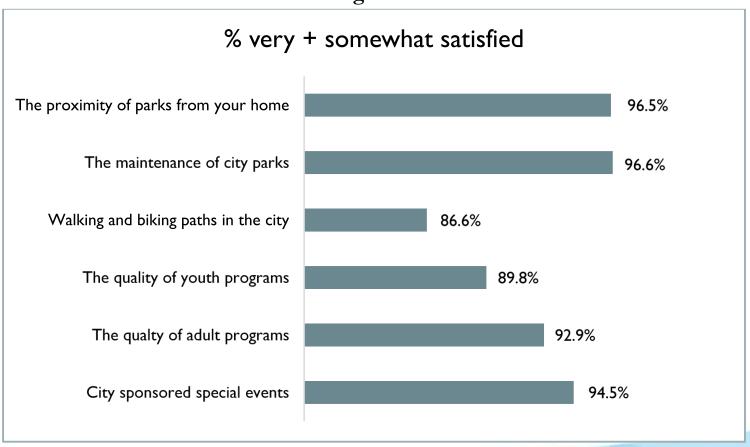


### **PARKS & RECREATION SERVICES**



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Figure 4.





# **PUBLIC SAFETY**



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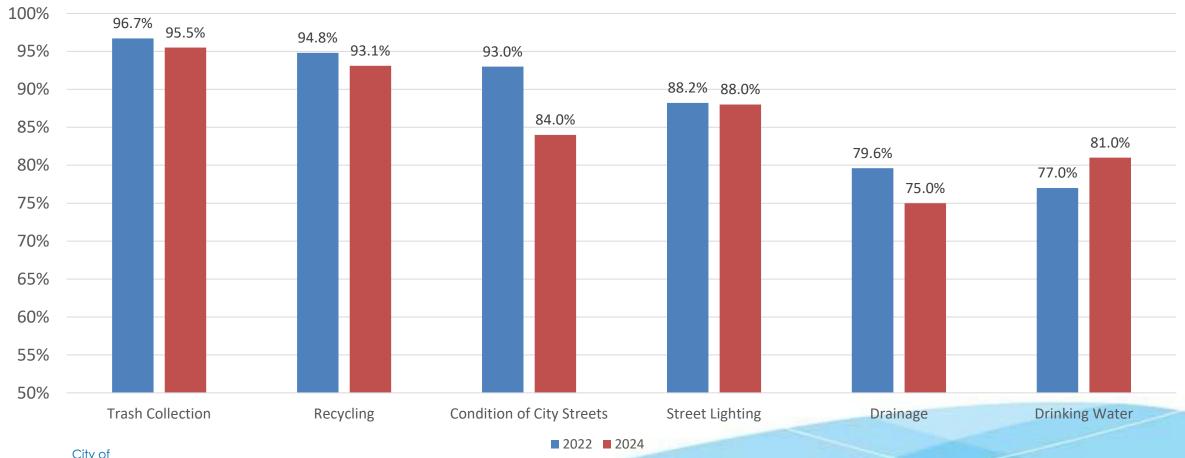
Table 8.
Satisfaction with Public Safety Services (as % of row total)

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indicate whether you are satisfied or dissatisfied with each of the following services provided by the city:	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Unsure
Number of police present in the city	43.6%	33.6%	7.4%	2.9%	12.5%
Police response time	29.2%	12.9%	2.3%	1.2%	54.4%
The Community Police Officer Program (CPO)	12.0%	7.5%	1.9%	0.9%	77.7%
Fire Services	39.5%	9.2%	0.5%	0.3%	50.5%
Emergency Medical Services (EMS)	37.4%	9.0%	0.9%	0.4%	52.3%
Dunedin's Code Compliance	12.3%	16.5%	11.2%	6.8%	53.3%

#### **SOLID WASTE & INFRASTRUCTURE**

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#### Solid Waste & Infrastructure



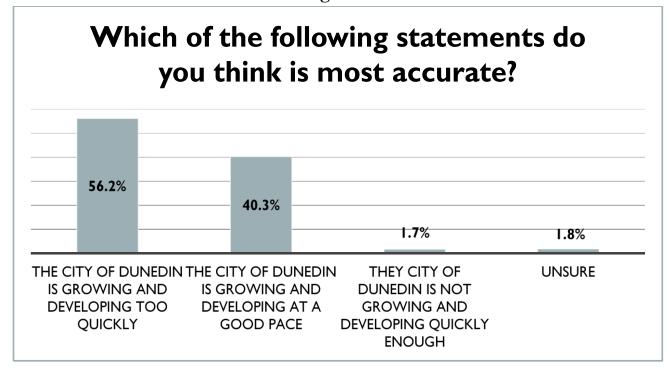


### **INFRASTRUCTURE & GROWTH CONCERNS**

(Report Reference page 24-26)



Figure 8.



# Open Ended Infrastructure/Growth Concerns by Topic:

- Road and Sidewalks (potholes, uneven surfaces)
- Traffic and Safety (light synchronization, speed limits, bikes & e-bikes)
- Public Facilities (public restrooms, park & DT lighting)
- Water & Drainage (flooding & water quality)
- Development/Planning (concerns infrastructure is not on pace with development and tourists)
- Utilities & Services (garbage services & water quality)



### **PARKING, TRAFFIC & TRANSIT**

(Report Reference page 26-28)



#### Parking & Traffic:

- Most satisfied during weekdays and evening weekdays
- Weekend evening & Events most dissatisfied

#### Alternative Modes:

 Many residents do not believe there is enough infrastructure for biking (26.9%) & golf carts (29.8%)

Table 16. Familiarity with Local Transit Services

How familiar are you with each of the following transit services available in Dunedin, including how to use this service?	Very Familiar	Somewhat Familiar	Not Very Familiar	Not at All Familiar
FreeBee Loop Shuttle	16.9%	37.0%	18.8%	27.3%
Jolly Trolly	35.7%	43.3%	11.1%	9.8%
Local Tiki Shuttle	31.1%	34.5%	16.1%	18.3%
PSTA Buses	12.8%	27.8%	28.3%	31.2%
Clearwater-Dunedin Ferry	24.0%	34.1%	22.1%	19.8%



#### **TRANSIT COMMENTS**

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### **Open Ended Transit Comments by Topic:**

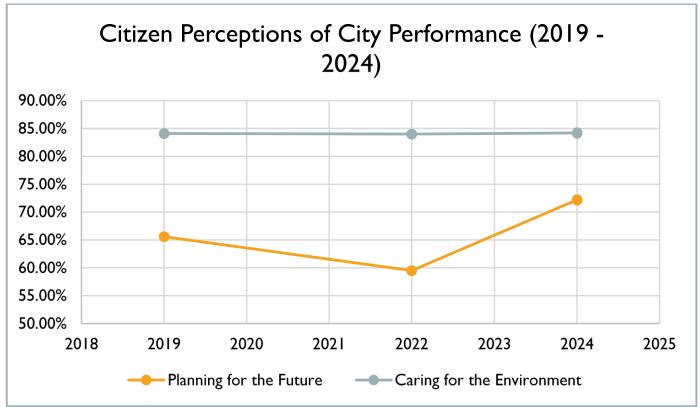
- Service Availability
  - Increasing service hours on Freebee
- Usage Experience
  - Jolly Trolley and Ferry both good alternatives to driving
  - Negative related to service schedule changes
- Accessibility
  - More crossing locations for walking & golf carts
- Cost Concerns
  - Users unaware of free versus paid services
- Alternative Transportation
  - Enjoy using alternative modes
- General Feedback
  - Suggested improvements & expression of satisfaction/dissatisfaction



#### **OVERALL PERFORMANCE**

(Report Reference page 33-36)

Figure 9.





#### **Overall Perceptions:**

- 95% agree Dunedin values Arts and Culture
- 80% agree Dunedin values Diversity
- 84% agree Dunedin values Historic Preservation
- 69% agree Dunedin is moving the right direction



Table 23.
Future Policy Priorities for Dunedin

As Dunedin works on updating its strategic plan, what would you consider the top priorities for the City in the coming years?	Frequency	Percentage
Improving coastal resiliency (i.e. sealevel rise, water quality, etc.)	755	36.9%
Increasing the availability of affordable housing	601	29.4%
Investing in quality public infrastructure	570	27.9%
Expanding/improving parks and greenspaces	538	26.3%
Expanding public transportation and/or multi-modal transportation options	277	16.8%
City-wide sustainability efforts	240	13.6%
Enhancing business opportunities and incentives	197	11.7%
Enhancing arts and culture within the community	160	9.6%
Improving emergency management and public safety	140	7.8%
Other	344	6.8%





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#### **OPEN ENDED FINAL COMMENTS**

(Report Reference page 38-39)



#### **What Residents Like Most:**

- Community and Safety
  - Feeling safe & sense of community
- Local Activities & Events
  - Variety & frequency of events;
     cultural & recreational activities
- Walkability & Accessibility
  - Ability to walk to parks, shops and restaurants
- Natural Beauty & Outdoor Opportunities
  - Waterfront, parks & beaches
- Local Government & Services
  - Referred to variety of transportation methods

#### What Residents Would Improve:

- Infrastructure & Traffic Management
  - Improve parking solutions, roads, sidewalks (widening trails, traffic lights)
- Development & Housing
  - Preserving greenspace, more affordable housing, rapid (condo) development
- Environmental Initiatives
  - Take stronger environmental actions (ban single use plastics, coastal resiliency)
- Community & Recreational Facilities
  - Modern sports complex, dog parks, improved accessibility to parks & rec
- Local Economy & Business
  - Balance big and small businesses; family friendly restaurants not tourist focused

# **QUESTIONS**



