

2035 Long Range Plan Survey

1) In your opinion, whats is the biggest transportation issue facing the Kalamazoo area?

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| Number | Response Date | Response Text |
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| 1 | Jun 30, 2010 3:11 PM | Congestion |
| 2 | Jun 30, 2010 3:36 PM | LAck of funding for transportation projects |
| 3 | Jun 30, 2010 4:02 PM | Too few alternate routes, too many roads are cut off from main roads for no apparent reason, like Kendall Ave at Howard... |
| 4 | Jun 30, 2010 4:13 PM | roads are in terrible condition for cars and bicycles |
| 5 | Jun 30, 2010 4:54 PM | local roads maintenance |
| 6 | Jun 30, 2010 5:03 PM | Maintaining road surfaces, providing more pedestrian/non-motorized facilities. |
| 7 | Jun 30, 2010 5:06 PM | quality of roads for both driving and cycling use. |
| 8 | Jun 30, 2010 5:22 PM | Finishing the widening of I-94 to Sprinkle Rd. |
| 9 | Jun 30, 2010 6:15 PM | Better bike paths into and out of the downtown KZO area, in particular the east, west or south directions. |
| 10 | Jun 30, 2010 6:21 PM | Too many cars on the street. |
| 11 | Jun 30, 2010 7:04 PM | Lack of Economic Development Coordination with Road Plans |
| 12 | Jun 30, 2010 8:01 PM | Proper road maintenance |
| 13 | Jun 30, 2010 8:53 PM | condition of existing roads |
| 14 | Jun 30, 2010 11:23 PM | I have been commuting by bike and riding recreationally more and more each year. I think some thing more should be done to improve accessibility to cyclists. I find roads like Whites to be unbearable. 4 lanes, paring, no turning lanes, speeding and little room for a cyclist hoping to cross Westnedge. I hope you are considering changing roads like this to the format you used on Crosstown Parkway 2 lanes, a turning lane , bike lanes and no parking. I live on Oakland Dr. near Parkview. The light at that intersection is unpredictable and quite dangerous. Often the Left Turn Arrow does not come on for quite a long time after the straight light has been red. This causes motorists to panic in the middle of the intersection thinking that they are blocking traffic and have missed their turn. Could this be avoided? A blinking red arrow? Timing both directions of traffic to allow the left turn lanes to go at the same time? Oakland gets very congested at peak times. [] I looked into using public transit and from were we live, I couldn't make it to work in Oshtemo by 8pm. |
| 15 | Jul 1, 2010 12:02 AM | distracted driving |
| 16 | Jul 1, 2010 1:49 AM | Quality of roads and bike lanes |
| 17 | Jul 1, 2010 1:57 PM | money |
| 18 | Jul 1, 2010 3:37 PM | lack of bicycle lanes |
| 19 | Jul 1, 2010 4:11 PM | Lack of sufficient funding to deliver needed transportation improvements |
| 20 | Jul 1, 2010 5:23 PM | no north business loop to southbound us131 |
| 21 | Jul 6, 2010 3:27 PM | I 94 widening! Then the proper funding for the maintenance of county roads |
| 22 | Jul 7, 2010 1:32 PM | Sufficient funding to meet the needs of users of the transportation system. |
| 23 | Jul 7, 2010 3:44 PM | In speaking for rural, mobile home establishments need busing too. |
| 24 | Jul 7, 2010 3:44 PM | In speaking for rural, mobile home establishments need busing too. |
| 25 | Jul 8, 2010 4:30 PM | Balancing the need, in the urban areas, for public transit, walkability, and bike lanes (at substantial cost) with the vehicle efficiency needs in suburban and rural areas (good safe roads). |
| 26 | Jul 9, 2010 5:46 PM | Lack of funding |
| 27 | Jul 9, 2010 5:47 PM | Poor condition of the interstate highways and lack of completion of US 131 south of Kalamazoo. |
| 28 | Jul 9, 2010 5:54 PM | N/A |
| 29 | Jul 9, 2010 8:54 PM | Bridges and major city road conditions |
| 30 | Jul 11, 2010 11:56 PM | lack of funding |

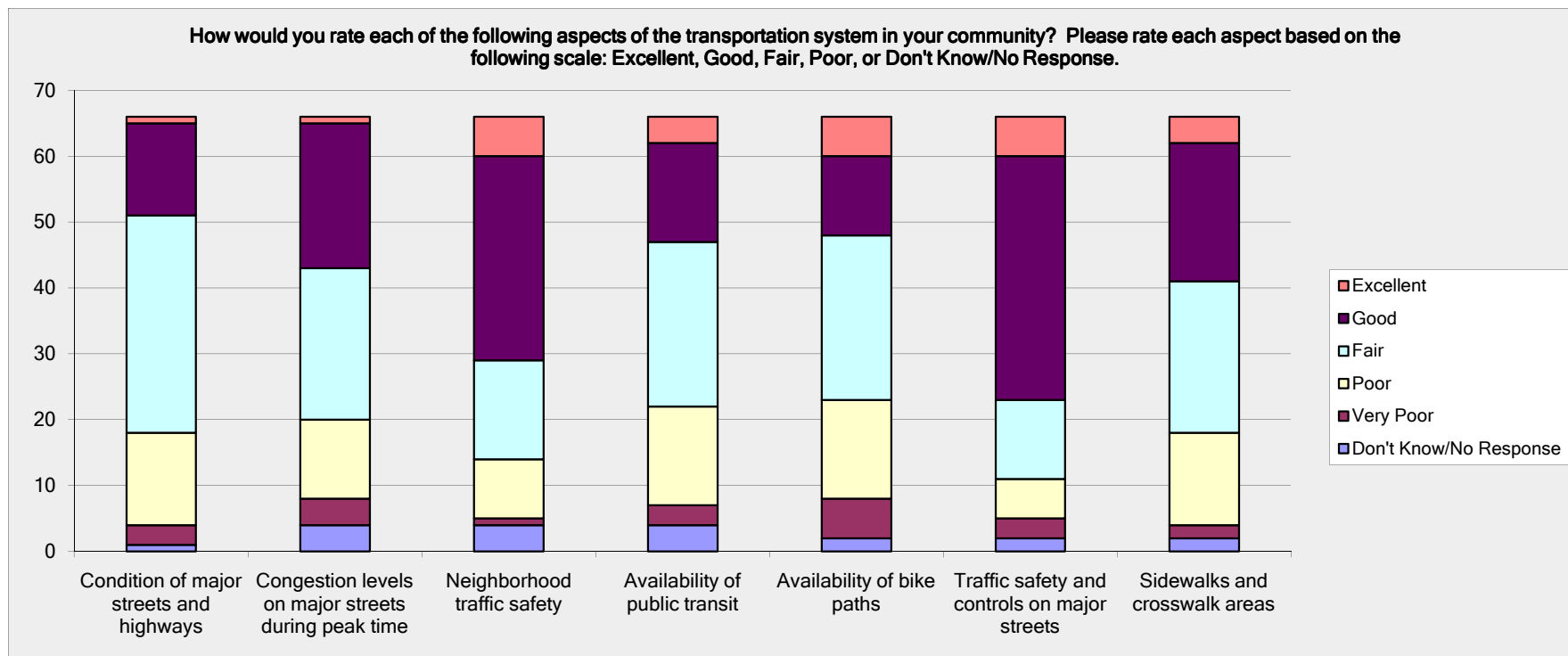
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| 31 | Jul 12, 2010 12:39 AM | Deteriorating road conditions. |
| 32 | Jul 12, 2010 12:56 PM | We are spoiled in the U.S. and choose to use our gas guzzling vehicles versus thinking green and opting to use public transportation. This is especially true of the young adults who drive to school everyday or have their parents drop them off. Bottom line - lack of ridership |
| 33 | Jul 12, 2010 1:25 PM | Financial problems |
| 34 | Jul 12, 2010 2:51 PM | lack of public transit to meet the needs of 2nd/3rd shift workers and Sunday service for the bus |
| 35 | Jul 12, 2010 3:25 PM | Large buses holding up traffic (could use much smaller buses!!!) and non-motorized paths/transportation |
| 36 | Jul 12, 2010 8:43 PM | Funding |
| 37 | Jul 12, 2010 10:18 PM | Kalamazoo would be greatly benefited by adding sidewalks to neighborhoods that currently do not have them and adding bike paths to populous areas would possibly increase activity levels in families and commuters. [] By improving poor road quality and adding increased traffic safety including speed bumps and/or stop signs at regular intersections in neighborhoods where children play it may encourage families in our area to utilize our city in a safer more healthier way.[] [] Offering a more productive system of transportation for disabled riders with increased range to Mattawan and Vicksburg. As well as a more efficient staff and drivers. |
| 38 | Jul 13, 2010 1:18 AM | It takes too long to get somewhere on the bus, and it costs too much to get there faster on Metro County Connect. |
| 39 | Jul 13, 2010 1:48 AM | Ride availability during peak hours of Care A Van - people not working but needing medical rides are 2nd in priority . |
| 40 | Jul 13, 2010 2:52 AM | Road construction |
| 41 | Jul 13, 2010 4:44 PM | Walkability |
| 42 | Jul 13, 2010 7:02 PM | The roads are in need of repair. |
| 43 | Jul 13, 2010 9:19 PM | road condition |
| 44 | Jul 14, 2010 2:19 AM | Neighborhood streets that need repair. Better timing of traffic lights during rush hour. Public transportation update that would look into running later on Friday and Saturday nights and on Sundays. |
| 45 | Jul 14, 2010 3:06 AM | Third world road conditions. Afganistan has better road conditions than we do. Traffic lights not timed properly in downtown Kzoo. One way streets were part of a good buffer system plan. Why step back into time? |
| 46 | Jul 14, 2010 11:13 AM | Short term: MAXIMUM expediting of traffic movement. This saves citizens' time, limited fuel resources, vehicle wear-and-tear concerns and minimizes air pollution. Long term: a viable plan to deal with the inevitable loss of internal-combustion engine, personal transportation. |
| 47 | Jul 14, 2010 1:10 PM | Cost |
| 48 | Jul 14, 2010 2:51 PM | Keeping fares affordable |
| 49 | Jul 14, 2010 6:16 PM | The need for effective public transportation (bus, trolley and so on). |
| 50 | Jul 15, 2010 11:35 AM | Use of road materials that do not last as long as they should (asphalt). We spent too much money on repairing roads that are not old yet are in need of repair. We should be spending the higher first cost to use more robust paving materials such as air entrained concrete that will last longer and have a lower lifecycle cost. |
| 51 | Jul 15, 2010 12:54 PM | Affordable and convenient bus system |
| 52 | Jul 15, 2010 6:24 PM | Curb cuts needed, paved public transit boarding areas (not some grassy space with a curb). In other words, accessibility by making bus stops safe, easily accessible without going in the road and lit. |
| 53 | Jul 15, 2010 6:28 PM | Curb cuts needed, paved public transit boarding areas (not some grassy space with a curb). In other words, accessibility by making bus stops safe, easily accessible without going in the road and lit. Have you heard of "Complete Streets?" we need that. |
| 54 | Jul 15, 2010 7:11 PM | poor road condition |
| 55 | Jul 16, 2010 3:36 PM | As a person who doesn't own a car, I do not believe pedestrians are well-accommodated, particularly in the areas of the county where there is the most growth. Bikers do not fare much better, even though more bike paths/lanes are available, because the lanes are narrow and dangerously situated. While Kalamazoo is a progressive community in many respects, the environmental, health, and safety impacts of designing and building neighborhoods and businesses where access is restricted to those with cars appears to have been disregarded. |
| 56 | Jul 16, 2010 8:57 PM | A county-wide bus system at a reasonable cost. |
| 57 | Jul 17, 2010 12:47 AM | Courtesy with what we have and infrastructure with what we haven't |
| 58 | Jul 19, 2010 9:50 PM | Poor access to freeways from north/northeast quadrant of community, e.g., lack of access to southbound US-131 from north quadrant. |
| 59 | Jul 20, 2010 1:08 AM | Urban fringe commercial development that is inaccessible without a car - to both urban and rural residents! We need multi-modal corridors!!! Bike/walking paths that are easy to plow along Gull, Stadium, W Main and Westnedge - from downtown to Sprinkle, 9th street and Kilgore (respectively). Also, we need a pedestrian crosswalk at Stadium and Lovell. |

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| 60 | Jul 20, 2010 8:24 PM | Availability of mass transit |
| 61 | Jul 20, 2010 8:33 PM | lack of affordable and convenient public transportation |
| 62 | Jul 22, 2010 2:10 PM | The future and development of metro transit. I would like to see the system become more extensive while still providing transportation at an affordable cost. |
| 63 | Jul 22, 2010 6:11 PM | sustainable funding source for road and other transportation needs in light of the changing type of vehicles being developed (hi-mileage, hybrid, electric, etc.) |
| 64 | Jul 22, 2010 7:01 PM | Long commutes for people to get to marginal jobs |
| 65 | Jul 27, 2010 12:52 PM | street congestion during peak time and access to Kalamazoo from outlying areas |
| 66 | Jul 28, 2010 8:14 PM | Lack of forethought of handicapped planning. I recently was helping a friend who has a moterized wheelchair get her bus pass. The handicapped parking spots (2) are not near the door of the bus station. I had to pull into a bus slip to drop her off near the front door. She found out the bus ramps are at a very steep angle which is too difficult for her chair to climb. It is hard for the chair to get up if there is a low curb and impossible for her to get up if there is no curb. She rode the bus to the station to transfer to another bus and could not get up the ramp because of the angle of the ramp. A bus passenger left their seat and helped to push her moterized chair up the ramp so she could get on the bus. Anyone who is on the planning committee from now on needs to disable themselves for a day, borrow a moterized chair and a walker and find out what life is really about. Then they will plan according based on these experiences. It is impossible to plan for the needs of the people who need these services the most when you have have no clue!!!!!! Further more, finish the sidewalks that are being planned. Not everyone is able to walk on two feet and a moterized chair or walkers do not roll on |

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2) How would you rate each of the following aspects of the transportation system in your community? Please rate each aspect based on the following scale: Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor, or Don't Know/No Response.

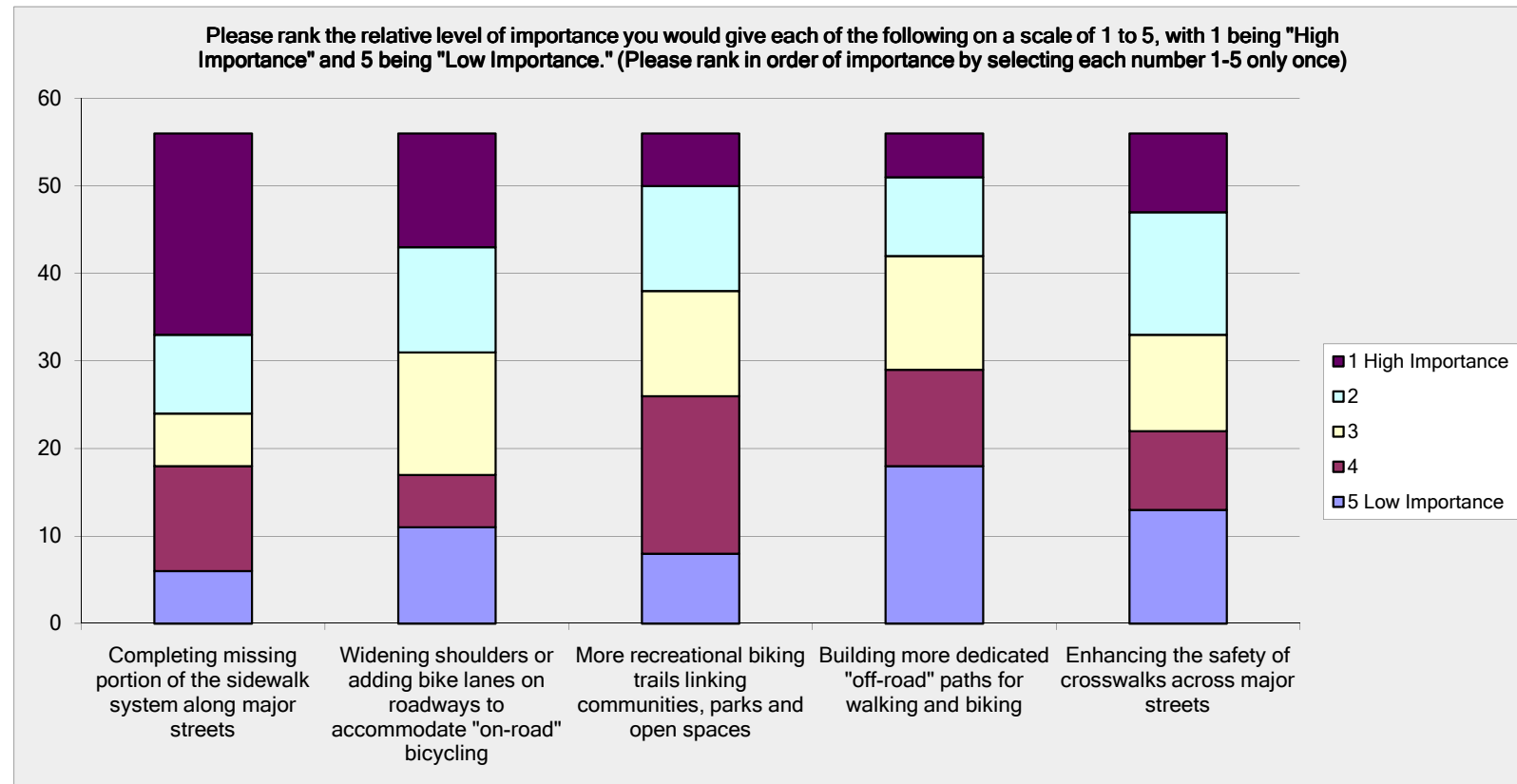
| Answer Options | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Very Poor | Don't Know/No Response | Response Count |
|---|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|------------------------|----------------|
| Condition of major streets and highways | 1 | 14 | 33 | 14 | 3 | 1 | 66 |
| Congestion levels on major streets during peak time | 1 | 22 | 23 | 12 | 4 | 4 | 66 |
| Neighborhood traffic safety | 6 | 31 | 15 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 66 |
| Availability of public transit | 4 | 15 | 25 | 15 | 3 | 4 | 66 |
| Availability of bike paths | 6 | 12 | 25 | 15 | 6 | 2 | 66 |
| Traffic safety and controls on major streets | 6 | 37 | 12 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 66 |
| Sidewalks and crosswalk areas | 4 | 21 | 23 | 14 | 2 | 2 | 66 |
| <i>answered question</i> | | | | | | | 66 |
| <i>skipped question</i> | | | | | | | 0 |



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3) Please rank the relative level of importance you would give each of the following on a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being "High Importance" and 5 being "Low Importance." (Please rank in order of importance by selecting each number 1-5 only once)

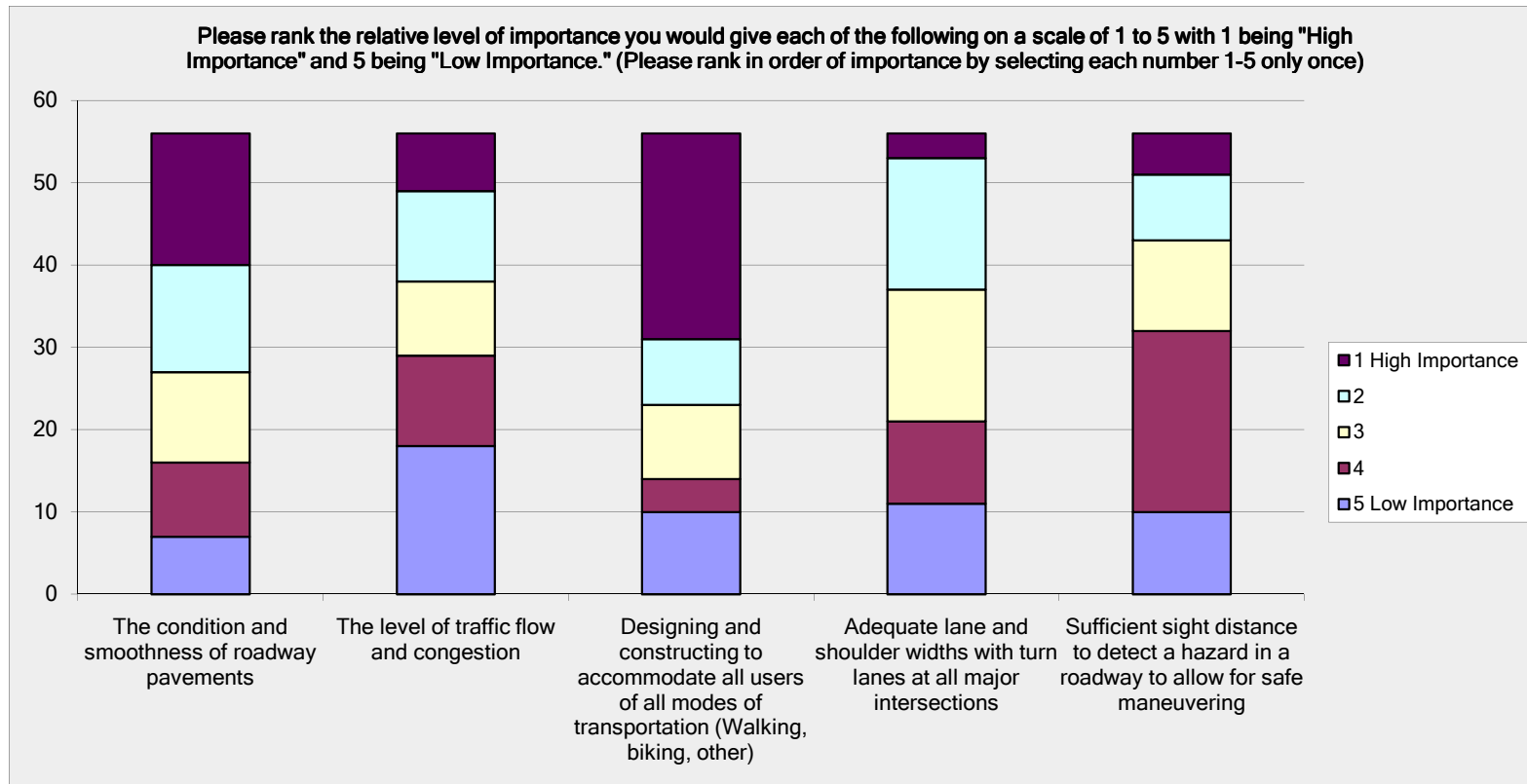
| Answer Options | 1 High Importance | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 Low Importance | Response Count |
|--|-------------------|----|----|----|------------------|----------------|
| Completing missing portion of the sidewalk system along major streets | 23 | 9 | 6 | 12 | 6 | 56 |
| Widening shoulders or adding bike lanes on roadways to accommodate "on-road" bicycling | 13 | 12 | 14 | 6 | 11 | 56 |
| More recreational biking trails linking communities, parks and open spaces | 6 | 12 | 12 | 18 | 8 | 56 |
| Building more dedicated "off-road" paths for walking and biking | 5 | 9 | 13 | 11 | 18 | 56 |
| Enhancing the safety of crosswalks across major streets | 9 | 14 | 11 | 9 | 13 | 56 |
| <i>answered question</i> | | | | | | 56 |
| <i>skipped question</i> | | | | | | 10 |



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4) Please rank the relative level of importance you would give each of the following on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being "High Importance" and 5 being "Low Importance." (Please rank in order of importance by selecting each number 1-5 only once)

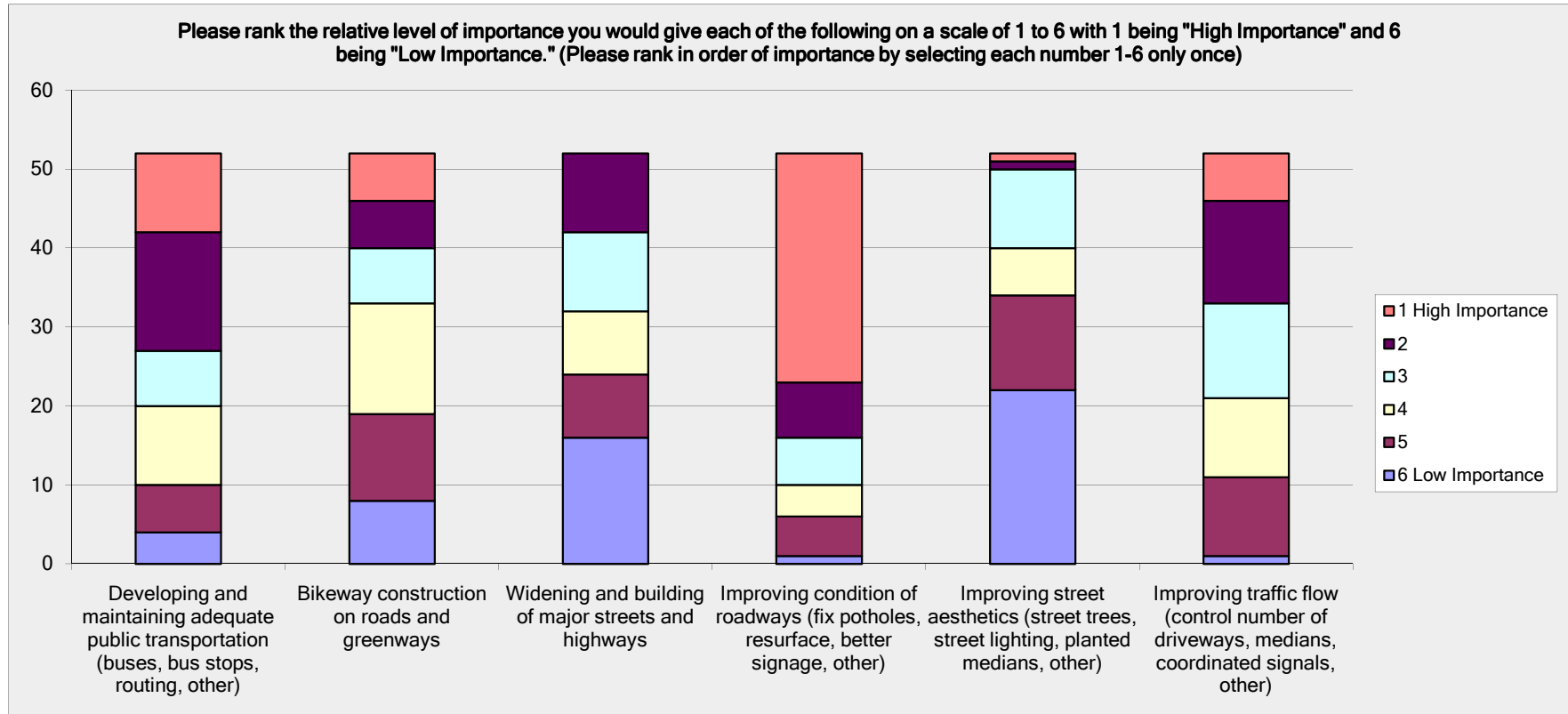
| Answer Options | 1 High Importance | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 Low Importance | Response Count |
|---|-------------------|----|----|----|------------------|----------------|
| The condition and smoothness of roadway pavements | 16 | 13 | 11 | 9 | 7 | 56 |
| The level of traffic flow and congestion | 7 | 11 | 9 | 11 | 18 | 56 |
| Designing and constructing to accommodate all users of | 25 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 10 | 56 |
| Adequate lane and shoulder widths with turn lanes at all | 3 | 16 | 16 | 10 | 11 | 56 |
| Sufficient sight distance to detect a hazard in a roadway | 5 | 8 | 11 | 22 | 10 | 56 |
| <i>answered question</i> | | | | | | 56 |
| <i>skipped question</i> | | | | | | 10 |



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5) Please rank the relative level of importance you would give each of the following on a scale of 1 to 6 with 1 being "High Importance" and 6 being "Low Importance."
(Please rank in order of importance by selecting each number 1-6 only once)

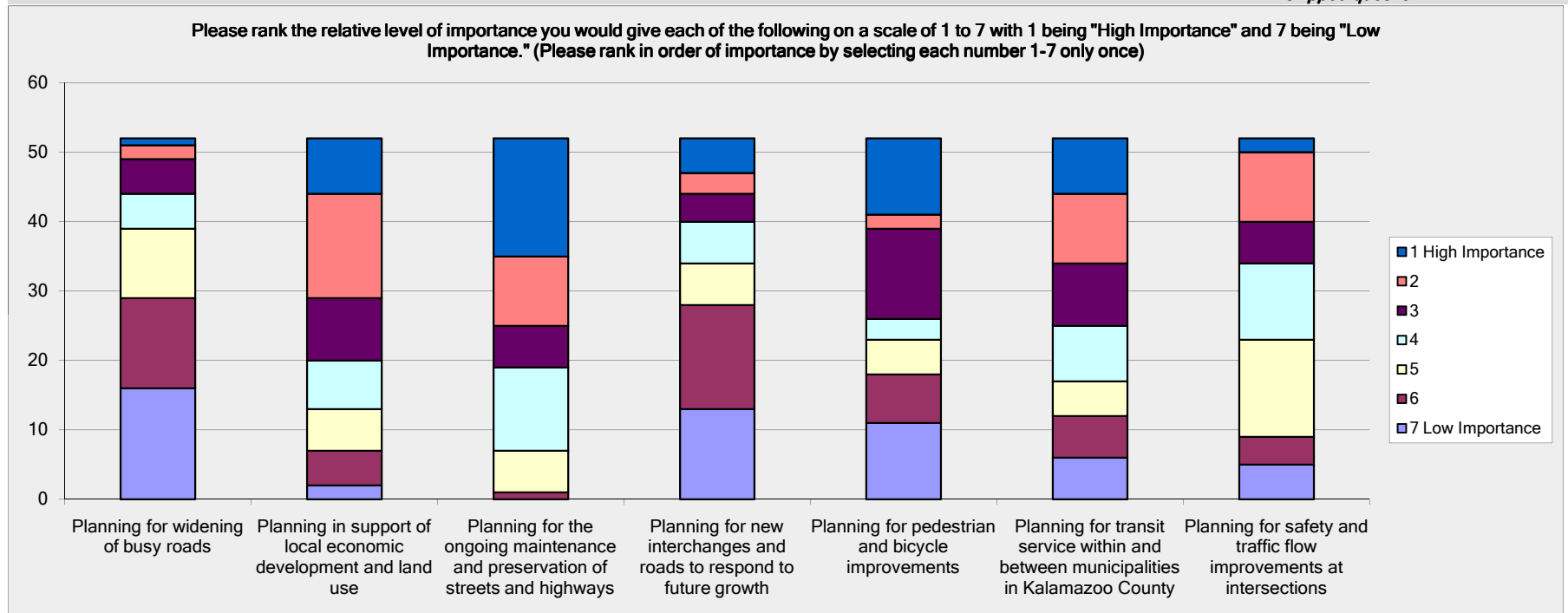
| Answer Options | 1 High Importance | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Low Importance | Response Count |
|--|-------------------|----|----|----|----|------------------|----------------|
| Developing and maintaining adequate public transportation (buses, bus stops, routing, other) | 10 | 15 | 7 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 52 |
| Bikeway construction on roads and greenways | 6 | 6 | 7 | 14 | 11 | 8 | 52 |
| Widening and building of major streets and highways | 0 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 16 | 52 |
| Improving condition of roadways (fix potholes, resurface, resurface, better signage, other) | 29 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 52 |
| Improving street aesthetics (street trees, street lighting, planted medians, other) | 1 | 1 | 10 | 6 | 12 | 22 | 52 |
| Improving traffic flow (control number of driveways, medians, coordinated signals, other) | 6 | 13 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 1 | 52 |
| <i>answered question</i> | | | | | | | 52 |
| <i>skipped question</i> | | | | | | | 14 |



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6) Please rank the relative level of importance you would give each of the following on a scale of 1 to 7 with 1 being "High Importance" and 7 being "Low Importance." (Please rank in order of importance by selecting each number 1-7 only once)

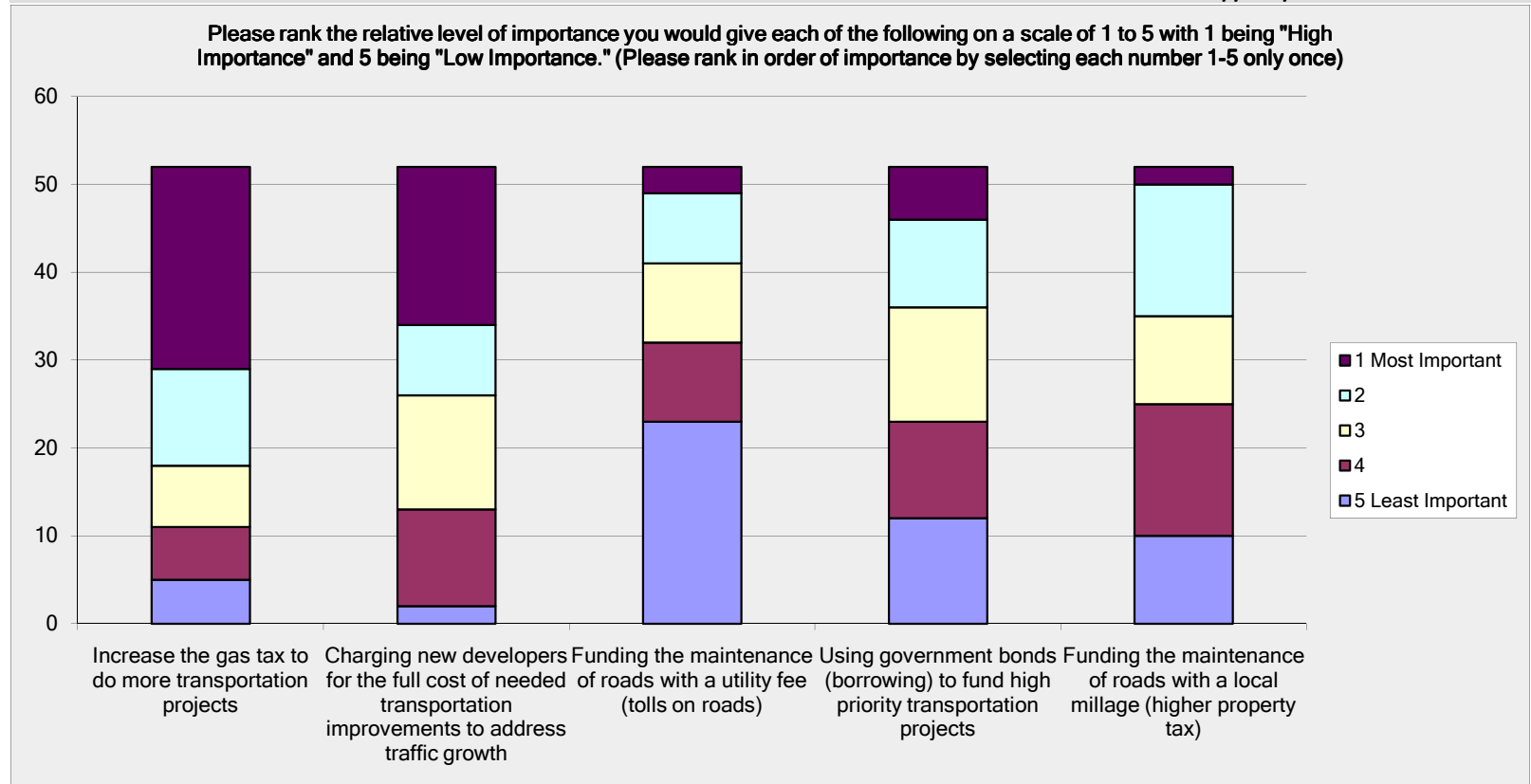
| Answer Options | 1 High Importance | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Low Importance | Response Count |
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| Planning for widening of busy roads | 1 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 13 | 16 | 52 |
| Planning in support of local economic development and | 8 | 15 | 9 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 52 |
| Planning for the ongoing maintenance and preservation | 17 | 10 | 6 | 12 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 52 |
| Planning for new interchanges and roads to respond to | 5 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 15 | 13 | 52 |
| Planning for pedestrian and bicycle improvements | 11 | 2 | 13 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 11 | 52 |
| Planning for transit service within and between | 8 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 52 |
| Planning for safety and traffic flow improvements at | 2 | 10 | 6 | 11 | 14 | 4 | 5 | 52 |
| | | | | | | <i>answered question</i> | | 52 |
| | | | | | | <i>skipped question</i> | | 14 |



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7) Please rank the relative level of importance you would give each of the following on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being "High Importance" and 5 being "Low Importance." (Please rank in order of importance by selecting each number 1-5 only once)

| Answer Options | 1 Most Important | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 Least Important | Response Count |
|---|------------------|----|----|----|-------------------|----------------|
| Increase the gas tax to do more transportation projects | 23 | 11 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 52 |
| Charging new developers for the full cost of needed transportation improvements to address traffic growth | 18 | 8 | 13 | 11 | 2 | 52 |
| Funding the maintenance of roads with a utility fee (tolls on roads) | 3 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 23 | 52 |
| Using government bonds (borrowing) to fund high priority transportation projects | 6 | 10 | 13 | 11 | 12 | 52 |
| Funding the maintenance of roads with a local millage (higher property tax) | 2 | 15 | 10 | 15 | 10 | 52 |
| <i>answered question</i> | | | | | | 52 |
| <i>skipped question</i> | | | | | | 14 |



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8) In your opinion, what is the most important improvement that can be made to our transportation system in the next 0-5 years (Short Term)?

| Answer Options | Response Count |
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| <i>answered question</i> | 51 |
| <i>skipped question</i> | 15 |

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| 1 | Jun 30, 2010 3:13 PM | Establish funding that will maintain roads. |
| 2 | Jun 30, 2010 3:43 PM | Pave shoulders and fix pot holes |
| 3 | Jun 30, 2010 4:19 PM | Improve the condition of roads |
| 4 | Jun 30, 2010 5:16 PM | education on real uses of cycling for transportation purposes, driver vs. cyclist safety and rights, as well as recreational purposes. increasing driver awareness about the benefits of bicycle usage could decrease traffic volumes, decrease the need for road widening, save taxpayer money, and improve taxpayer health. |
| 5 | Jun 30, 2010 5:28 PM | Allow southbound traffic from BL131 to southbound US-131 |
| 6 | Jun 30, 2010 6:27 PM | Complete Streets Program |
| 7 | Jun 30, 2010 6:31 PM | Improve road conditions and build more bike lanes. |
| 8 | Jun 30, 2010 7:10 PM | Traffic Flow and more direct access to business centers |
| 9 | Jun 30, 2010 8:12 PM | Unify the responsibility for all road Maintenance and planning under one governmental uni |
| 10 | Jun 30, 2010 11:30 PM | Building a bicycle friendly traffic system. |
| 11 | Jul 1, 2010 1:57 AM | Re-surfacing streets and adding bike lanes |
| 12 | Jul 1, 2010 2:01 PM | ? |
| 13 | Jul 1, 2010 3:43 PM | increase use of bicycles |
| 14 | Jul 1, 2010 4:28 PM | Focus on maintaining the system rather than expanding it. |
| 15 | Jul 1, 2010 5:33 PM | southbound us 131 connection from north bus loop |
| 16 | Jul 6, 2010 3:34 PM | having the funding available to do the required maintenance to keep the roads in good repair |
| 17 | Jul 7, 2010 1:49 PM | Operating the local street network more efficiently. For example, implement procedures and improvements to reduce congestion and delay. |
| 18 | Jul 7, 2010 5:23 PM | For Pavilion Twp.: Busing on Kilgore Road to Pavilion Estates Mobile Home Park would be Awesome |
| 19 | Jul 8, 2010 4:46 PM | Assure adequate funding. |
| 20 | Jul 9, 2010 5:51 PM | Complete the I-94 projects |
| 21 | Jul 9, 2010 6:00 PM | Make sure millage money on transportation is being used directly on transportation instead of indirect kickbacks |
| 22 | Jul 9, 2010 6:16 PM | Maintaining existing facilities in good condition |
| 23 | Jul 12, 2010 12:03 AM | continue to widen I-94 through all of Kalamazoo County |
| 24 | Jul 12, 2010 12:45 AM | When repairing or reconstructing roadways, increase paved shoulder width for safe use by bikes/pedestrians |
| 25 | Jul 12, 2010 1:05 PM | Identify funding source to maintain and improve transportation system and let MDOT and KATS have oversight. |
| 26 | Jul 12, 2010 2:56 PM | maintain - prevent potholes |
| 27 | Jul 12, 2010 3:39 PM | Better non-motorized paths and facilities |
| 28 | Jul 12, 2010 8:54 PM | Gather more funding |
| 29 | Jul 13, 2010 1:57 AM | Keep it affordable and accessible, increasing number of buses available |
| 30 | Jul 13, 2010 3:00 AM | Improving traffic flow at major intersections and better synchronization of lights to allow for better traffic flow |
| 31 | Jul 13, 2010 7:16 PM | Improving road maintenance in the county making sure all roads and bridges are in good shape for both vehicles and pedestrians or bike riders. |

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| 32 | Jul 13, 2010 9:23 PM | cut down speeding drivers |
| 33 | Jul 14, 2010 2:28 AM | Improving public transportation especially for the low income and handicapped |
| 34 | Jul 14, 2010 3:22 AM | Traffic flow issues related to poor traffic signal timing. |
| 35 | Jul 14, 2010 6:24 PM | Improving public transportation |
| 36 | Jul 15, 2010 11:44 AM | reduce the life cycle cost of our new and reconstructed roads |
| 37 | Jul 15, 2010 1:19 PM | Secure funding streams |
| 38 | Jul 15, 2010 6:37 PM | Make Kalamazoo a more "walkable, non-auto" community |
| 39 | Jul 15, 2010 7:14 PM | fix potholes |
| 40 | Jul 16, 2010 4:00 PM | Build sidewalks. (It can't be that expensive.) |
| 41 | Jul 16, 2010 9:05 PM | More busses |
| 42 | Jul 17, 2010 12:59 AM | Increase in courtesy by the bus system. It is hard to get a person to respond when you call. Bus driver's claim they can't stop when it is clear that they could to pick up passenger's. If you want more use of Public transport there needs to be more courtesy. Perhaps, there could be a higher priced smaller bus for door to door service. ie Dial a ride for anyone who wished to pay for it. A system of small electric cars available for use around the city for a monthly fee and scheduling would be good. More sidewalks in town. |
| 43 | Jul 19, 2010 9:56 PM | Expanded bicycle path system. |
| 44 | Jul 20, 2010 1:43 AM | Start linking bike lanes to eliminate the extreme intermittancy - NEED sidewalks along all major roads, and better snow management (less salt, more man hours, I know its expensive, but its waaay better for the ground water (which we drink!!) and could help out a lot of unemployed people. |
| 45 | Jul 20, 2010 8:31 PM | Extension and intensification of mass transit, as well as incentives to use mass transit. Make it easy for us to use it. |
| 46 | Jul 20, 2010 8:39 PM | Setup a Complete Streets Advisory Council and adopt the concept |
| 47 | Jul 22, 2010 2:24 PM | A Mass Transit Awareness Program combined with additional buses and routes would increase ridership. Presently, the buses are often a last resort mode of transportation that people would rather avoid due to the uncertainty of schedules and the infrequency of buses. There have been improvements to the system but it could be better. |
| 48 | Jul 22, 2010 6:21 PM | Develop and impliment a taxing mechanism that is a factor of miles driven and weight of vehicle in order to fairly fund roads sustainably as fuel options change. |
| 49 | Jul 22, 2010 7:22 PM | Develop a coordinated land-use/transportation plan that encourages fuller utilization of existing infrastructure, with walkable neighborhoods eay access to mass transit for shopping, employment and entertainment. Stop encouraging suburbanization and exurbanization |
| 50 | Jul 27, 2010 12:59 PM | widen oakland drive or allow access to 131 from oakland and whites roac |
| 51 | Jul 28, 2010 8:46 PM | Fix the Bus station handicap inaccessability for boarding busses and placement of handicap parking. Fix the inaccessablility of the ramps on busses so that a moterized wheelchairs can enter the bus without the need for a high curb. Finish the sidewalks projects and fix the broken sidewalks. Put curb cuts on all corners-neighborhoods as well as major roads. |

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9) In your opinion, what is the most important improvement that can be made to our transportation system in the next 5 to 25 years (Long Term)?

| Answer Options | Response Count |
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| | 51 |
| <i>answered question</i> | 51 |
| <i>skipped question</i> | 15 |

| Number | Response Date | Response Text |
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| 1 | Jun 30, 2010 3:13 PM | Develop better public transportation |
| 2 | Jun 30, 2010 3:43 PM | Make the commitment to have a stable and adequate funding source for transportation projects |
| 3 | Jun 30, 2010 4:19 PM | Adopt the "complete streets" model |
| 4 | Jun 30, 2010 5:16 PM | maintain the system we have and promote alternatives that reduce the number of cars and increase the amount of public transportation use. more pavement/lanes is not the answer, and requires more in the future to maintain it. promote better use of the roads, better health of the citizens, more money left in taxpayers pockets, and better road conditions due to funds not being spent on "more". |
| 5 | Jun 30, 2010 5:28 PM | Connecting BL 94 to BL131 |
| 6 | Jun 30, 2010 6:27 PM | Complete Streets Program |
| 7 | Jun 30, 2010 6:31 PM | Maintain roads |
| 8 | Jun 30, 2010 7:10 PM | Building penetrators to business areas and eventually light rail to same |
| 9 | Jun 30, 2010 8:12 PM | Expanded routes and smaller buses. |
| 10 | Jun 30, 2010 11:30 PM | Improving public transportation. |
| 11 | Jul 1, 2010 1:57 AM | Improve mass transit options and more no motorized trails |
| 12 | Jul 1, 2010 2:01 PM | ? |
| 13 | Jul 1, 2010 3:43 PM | decrease the use of petroleum based transportation |
| 14 | Jul 1, 2010 4:28 PM | Work on operational improvements (access management, usage of center left turn lanes) that can reduce/eliminate need for costly capacity improvements. |
| 15 | Jul 1, 2010 5:33 PM | southbound us 131 connection from north business loop |
| 16 | Jul 6, 2010 3:34 PM | proper transit availability and maintenance. |
| 17 | Jul 7, 2010 1:49 PM | Find and implement a transportation funding mechanism that is stable, fair, and adjusts to inflation. |
| 18 | Jul 7, 2010 5:23 PM | Keeping up on maintenance for safety. |
| 19 | Jul 8, 2010 4:46 PM | Improve the urban (Kalamazoo city) transportation system to a level of "complete streets" and continue the Portage moves in that direction. |
| 20 | Jul 9, 2010 5:51 PM | Complete US 131 |
| 21 | Jul 9, 2010 6:00 PM | Invest more into renewable energy |
| 22 | Jul 9, 2010 6:16 PM | Widening I-94 and constructing a freeway bypass of Kalamazoo. |
| 23 | Jul 12, 2010 12:03 AM | Build the full interchange at BR-131/US-131 and G Avenue |
| 24 | Jul 12, 2010 12:45 AM | Stable funding system for repair/maintenance. |
| 25 | Jul 12, 2010 1:05 PM | Once a funding source is identified, do not allow the State of Michigan to dip into the fund. This excludes MDOT. |
| 26 | Jul 12, 2010 2:56 PM | create incentives to reuse urban buildings and not continue to sprawl |
| 27 | Jul 12, 2010 3:39 PM | Better non-motorized and public transportation ideas and facilities |
| 28 | Jul 12, 2010 8:54 PM | Budget for improvements |
| 29 | Jul 13, 2010 1:57 AM | Determine what is needed to be "boomer friendly". |
| 30 | Jul 13, 2010 3:00 AM | Develop the 131 Business Loop, improving the neighborhood it runs through and locating businesses there. Right now it is very underused and a little pointless. |

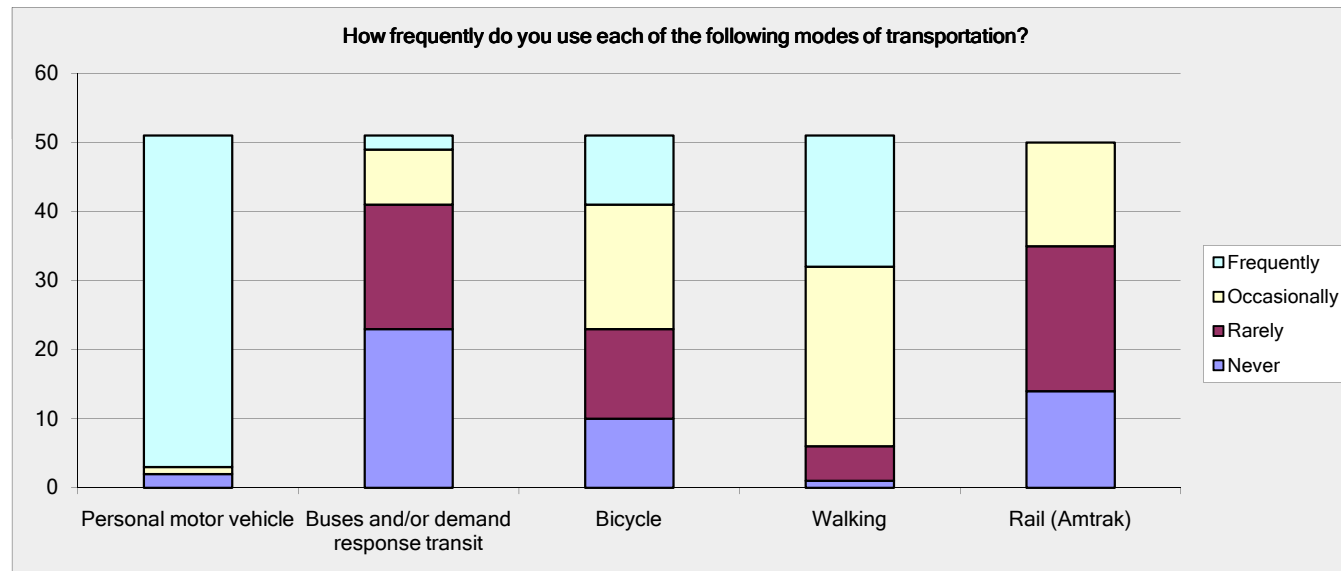
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| 31 | Jul 13, 2010 7:16 PM | The public transit system needs to have more busses on the routes and more routes available for use county wide. I think the public would use the system more if the timing to get places on the bus was more effecient. |
| 32 | Jul 13, 2010 9:23 PM | same |
| 33 | Jul 14, 2010 2:28 AM | More trees. |
| 34 | Jul 14, 2010 3:22 AM | Bike lanes to support those of us who would use bikes for transportation if the roads were safer. |
| 35 | Jul 14, 2010 6:24 PM | improving public transportation |
| 36 | Jul 15, 2010 11:44 AM | High speed rail |
| 37 | Jul 15, 2010 1:19 PM | plan for future growth and development |
| 38 | Jul 15, 2010 6:37 PM | Exxpess public transit lanes within and without the city of Kalamazoo. For instance, Westnedge route. Could create a public transit lane from Kalamazoo to Plainwell or Vicksburg. Discourate single person vehicles whenever possible. |
| 39 | Jul 15, 2010 7:14 PM | have adequate funding |
| 40 | Jul 16, 2010 4:00 PM | Decide upon and invest in a system that is as economically and environmentally self-sustaining as possible. |
| 41 | Jul 16, 2010 9:05 PM | More busses |
| 42 | Jul 17, 2010 12:59 AM | European style city ie less spawl more community development ie local stores ie urban planning. |
| 43 | Jul 19, 2010 9:56 PM | Improved freeway access to northeast quadrant. |
| 44 | Jul 20, 2010 1:43 AM | Encouragement of corridor development and urban renewal to work toward short rail lines with few major stops and associated parking plexes, linked by pedestrian paths (perhaps under the rail with removable or retractable plexi-glass for wind /snow barrier in winter, and to allow ventilation in the summer...), and ultimately encourage infill. The rail end should have rent-able mini-cars and bikes for getting around at destinations.--Start with Gull Road - it has the highest traffic counts (therefore the greatest reduction in congestion benefits) and low income/higher density residences all the way to Gull Run apartments. A great way to service both high income commuters and low income pedestrians - AND encourage sustainable development as opposed to mindless contractor driven sprawl. Slow sprawl with infill encouragement and appropriate green spaces and corridors IS a major avenue toward sustainable communities with HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE!!! |
| 45 | Jul 20, 2010 8:31 PM | Move us as much as possible to use alternatives to driving individual/family cars: mass transit, bikes, walking, pooling of rides, short-term car-borrowing system. |
| 46 | Jul 20, 2010 8:39 PM | Develop and implement a county-wide public transportation system |
| 47 | Jul 22, 2010 2:24 PM | Improved traffic corridors in and out of downtown Kalamazoo. Stadium and Westnedge are often very crowded at peak times. This problem will only get worse in the future as the community here grows. |
| 48 | Jul 22, 2010 6:21 PM | High speed rail between urban centers in Kalamazoo county as well as to destinations such as Grand Rapids, Detroit, Lansing and Chicago. |
| 49 | Jul 22, 2010 7:22 PM | High-speed rail between between Detroit and Chicago, with start and end points being Kalamazoo/Battle Creek; Build an intermodal transportation center between Battle Creek and I-69 |
| 50 | Jul 27, 2010 12:59 PM | widen streets and improve intersections |
| 51 | Jul 28, 2010 8:46 PM | Focusing all future building projects to include handicap accessibility needs from the viewpoint of the handicapped person rather than the viewpoint of the able bodied person who has never faced the daily difficulties a handicapped person faces. In other words, literally put yourself in their place when forming the theory of what to do instead of projecting what you think the needs are. Then call meetings with the handicapped people in our community and ask what their needs are. Then do the experience again. Also another suggestion, in Detroit, A handicapped person is issued a cloth square, like a mit, that one puts on their hand. The handicapped person only needs to put on that mit on any street that the busses run on and the bus will pull over and pick them up. This is very helpful for those who can not access the bus stop or who is blind and cannot find the actual bus stop. This could be implemented in the short term also. Need Bike paths, trails, Bike safety courses, [] Busses should run on Sundays. |

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10) How frequently do you use each of the following modes of transportation?

| Answer Options | Frequently | Occasionally | Rarely | Never | Response Count |
|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------|--------|-------|----------------|
| Personal motor vehicle | 48 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 51 |
| Buses and/or demand response transit | 2 | 8 | 18 | 23 | 51 |
| Bicycle | 10 | 18 | 13 | 10 | 51 |
| Walking | 19 | 26 | 5 | 1 | 51 |
| Rail (Amtrak) | 0 | 15 | 21 | 14 | 50 |
| Other (please specify) | | | | | 5 |
| <i>answered question</i> | | | | | 51 |
| <i>skipped question</i> | | | | | 15 |

| Number | Response Date | Other (please specify) |
|--------|-----------------------|--|
| 1 | Jul 12, 2010 12:04 AM | running |
| 2 | Jul 22, 2010 2:27 PM | taxi- Rarely --A last resort when my car was in the shop and the bus was not an option |
| 3 | Jul 22, 2010 6:23 PM | Commercial airline |
| 4 | Jul 22, 2010 7:24 PM | Air |
| 5 | Jul 28, 2010 8:49 PM | motorized wheelchair |



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11) Please provide any additional information or comments that are not included in the survey.

| Answer Options | Response Count |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| | 21 |
| <i>answered question</i> | 21 |
| <i>skipped question</i> | 45 |

| Number | Response Date | Response Text |
|--------|----------------------|--|
| 1 | Jun 30, 2010 4:20 PM | Increase public awareness of the need for bicycle safety and "rules of the road" that apply to both motorists and cyclist |
| 2 | Jun 30, 2010 5:19 PM | Look at the big picture, not just the pavement - everything is interconnected. It's not about "more", it's about better use and maintenance of what we have. It's cheaper, cleaner, easier and healthier. |
| 3 | Jun 30, 2010 8:13 PM | Rob Heasley, Parchment, KATS member |
| 4 | Jul 1, 2010 2:02 PM | ? |
| 5 | Jul 8, 2010 4:48 PM | Policy Committee Member |
| 6 | Jul 9, 2010 6:17 PM | Metro Transit should re-evaluate their routes. Too many empty buses in Portage |
| 7 | Jul 12, 2010 1:07 PM | Keep up the good work on developing public transportation. It is a tough job, but keep moving ahead |
| 8 | Jul 12, 2010 3:40 PM | Public buses are TOO BIG. Until better ridership, they need to be downsized to help emissions and also traffic flow. They cause congestion as they are not used enough at this time. |
| 9 | Jul 13, 2010 7:19 PM | The pedestrian walkways in this county are not consistently usable due to the irregularities of where there are sidewalks and where there is none or just a footpath. To walk to a bus stop may not be safe due to the lack of sidewalks and the lack of snow removal from the sidewalks. |
| 10 | Jul 13, 2010 9:24 PM | good work thank you |
| 11 | Jul 14, 2010 3:25 AM | Would utilize Amtrak more often, if departure times from Kalamazoo would start earlier |
| 12 | Jul 14, 2010 6:25 PM | Public transportation makes a city a city. |
| 13 | Jul 15, 2010 1:19 PM | Thank you for your difficult and important work. |
| 14 | Jul 15, 2010 6:39 PM | If everything planned was accessible for people who use wheelchairs or mobility devices then it would be accessible for everyone. The very design limits who can use what streets or corridors. |
| 15 | Jul 17, 2010 1:00 AM | I had a bad experience with the bus service when I didn't have a car for 5 years. And I continue to see the same discourteous service |
| 16 | Jul 20, 2010 1:44 AM | I wish I could use alternate modes of transportation more often! |
| 17 | Jul 20, 2010 8:32 PM | Thanks for inviting input! |
| 18 | Jul 22, 2010 2:27 PM | The improvements to mass transit have been noticed and I hope are just the beginning of a more extensive network of affordable options. Hope to see it grow more. |
| 19 | Jul 22, 2010 6:23 PM | Working with large and small employers in building a public transit system that more effectively meets the commuting needs of workers throughout the county. |
| 20 | Jul 22, 2010 7:24 PM | Given our unwise dependence on an unsustainable and polluting energy source for transportation, we should plan now for a smooth transition toward walkable communities and more mass transit. |
| 21 | Jul 28, 2010 8:49 PM | My friend would like to use the bus system and would more regularly if it did not contain the issues listed in this survey. If she could use the buses she would not have to rely on her friends to help to her appointments around the community, she could go by herself. And she would prefer it. |

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| 12) Where do you live? | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Answer Options | Response Percent | Response Count |
| City/Town: | 100.0% | 51 |
| State: | 100.0% | 51 |
| ZIP: | 100.0% | 51 |
| answered question | | 51 |
| skipped question | | 15 |

| Number | Response Date | City/Town: | State: | ZIP: |
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| 1 | Jun 30, 2010 3:13 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49001 |
| 2 | Jun 30, 2010 3:44 PM | Oshtemo | MI | 49009 |
| 3 | Jun 30, 2010 4:20 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49009 |
| 4 | Jun 30, 2010 5:19 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49001 |
| 5 | Jun 30, 2010 5:30 PM | Oshtemo Townsh | MI | 49009 |
| 6 | Jun 30, 2010 6:29 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49001 |
| 7 | Jun 30, 2010 6:32 PM | Lawton | MI | 49065 |
| 8 | Jun 30, 2010 7:11 PM | Schoolcraft | MI | 49087 |
| 9 | Jun 30, 2010 8:13 PM | Parchment | MI | 49004 |
| 10 | Jun 30, 2010 11:31 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49008 |
| 11 | Jul 1, 2010 1:58 AM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49009 |
| 12 | Jul 1, 2010 2:02 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49000 |
| 13 | Jul 1, 2010 3:44 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49001 |
| 14 | Jul 1, 2010 4:29 PM | Schoolcraft | MI | 49087 |
| 15 | Jul 1, 2010 5:34 PM | allendale | MI | 49401 |
| 16 | Jul 6, 2010 3:34 PM | kalamazoo | MI | 49004 |
| 17 | Jul 7, 2010 1:49 PM | Otsego | MI | 49078 |
| 18 | Jul 7, 2010 5:24 PM | Scotts | MI | 49088 |
| 19 | Jul 8, 2010 4:49 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49008 |
| 20 | Jul 9, 2010 5:52 PM | Portage | MI | 49024 |
| 21 | Jul 9, 2010 6:01 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49009 |
| 22 | Jul 9, 2010 6:18 PM | Portage | MI | 49024 |
| 23 | Jul 12, 2010 12:04 AM | Kalamazoo Twp | MI | 49048 |
| 24 | Jul 12, 2010 12:46 AM | Oshtemo | MI | 49009 |
| 25 | Jul 12, 2010 1:07 PM | Portage | MI | 49002 |
| 26 | Jul 12, 2010 2:57 PM | Kalamazoo Town | MI | 49006 |
| 27 | Jul 12, 2010 3:41 PM | Kalamazoo Twp. | MI | 49006 |
| 28 | Jul 12, 2010 8:54 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49001 |
| 29 | Jul 13, 2010 1:58 AM | Portage | MI | 49024 |
| 30 | Jul 13, 2010 3:01 AM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49006 |
| 31 | Jul 13, 2010 7:20 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49006 |
| 32 | Jul 13, 2010 9:24 PM | Por tahge | MI | 49002 |
| 33 | Jul 14, 2010 2:29 AM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49008 |
| 34 | Jul 14, 2010 3:26 AM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49006 |
| 35 | Jul 14, 2010 6:26 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49001 |
| 36 | Jul 15, 2010 11:45 AM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49001 |
| 37 | Jul 15, 2010 1:20 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49008 |
| 38 | Jul 15, 2010 6:40 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49008 |
| 39 | Jul 15, 2010 7:14 PM | kalamazoo | MI | 49001 |
| 40 | Jul 16, 2010 4:01 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49007 |
| 41 | Jul 16, 2010 9:06 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49009 |
| 42 | Jul 17, 2010 1:01 AM | kalamazoo | MI | 49006 |
| 43 | Jul 19, 2010 9:58 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49001 |
| 44 | Jul 20, 2010 1:45 AM | Comstock | MI | 49049 |
| 45 | Jul 20, 2010 8:33 PM | Kalamazoo Town | MI | 49006 |
| 46 | Jul 20, 2010 8:41 PM | portage | MI | 49024 |
| 47 | Jul 22, 2010 2:28 PM | Portage | MI | 49024 |
| 48 | Jul 22, 2010 6:23 PM | Portage | MI | 49024 |
| 49 | Jul 22, 2010 7:25 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49008 |
| 50 | Jul 27, 2010 1:00 PM | portage | MI | 49024 |
| 51 | Jul 28, 2010 8:52 PM | Kalamazoo | MI | 49009 |