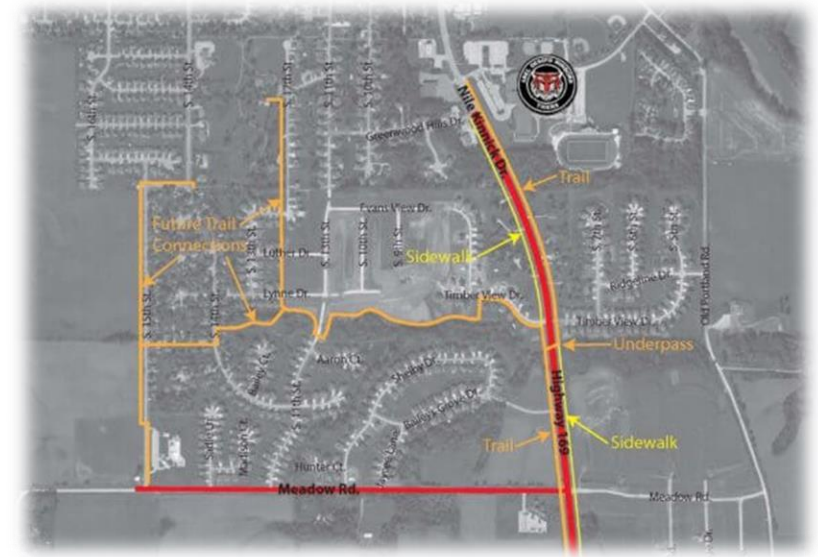


# Growth & Safety Transportation Projects

## Adel City Council Street Committee – Citizen Focus Group

### *Improving ...*

- *Safety*
- *Quality of Life*
- *Property Values*
- *Traffic Flows*



# Introductions

- **Introduce yourself – name, where you live in Adel.**

# Focus Group Discussion Target

- **Adel Safety & Transportation Projects - Southside**
  - **Highway 169 Intersections / Improvements**
  - **Sidewalk/Trails/Underpass Improvements**
  - **Meadow Road Improvements**

# Focus Group Mission

**The Adel Street Committee Citizen Focus Group will use a collaborative process to provide consensus recommendations to the City Council for a safer Highway 169 southern corridor, that will also include appropriate trails and sidewalks for overall connectivity and betterment of the entire community.**



# Focus Group Member Commitment

- **Commit to attend every meeting**
- **Willing to share thoughts and views**
- **Willing to respect the views of others**
- **Willing to Learn - Ask lots of questions**
- **Share information with neighbors and friends**

# Tonight's Agenda

- **Review additional financial questions (~20 minutes)**
- **Review additional project questions (~10 minutes)**
- **Review survey results (~10 minutes)**
- **Consensus building – tables (~30 minutes)**
- **Recommendation building – all (~20 minutes)**

# Financial Questions

## *PFM & McClure Engineering*

- **Financing Techniques**
  - **General Obligation Bonds – *Bonding/Debt Capacity***
    - **Debt Service (Property Tax)**
    - **Special Assessments**
      - **What are special assessments, aren't they property tax?**
      - **What about “wide area” special assessments?**
      - **What is the process for a special assessment?**
  - **Tax Increment Financing (TIF)**
  - **Possible DOT “Loan” Agreement**
  - **Other**



# Project Cost Estimates

- **Highway 169 Improvements:**
  - Traditional turn lanes at following Hwy 169 intersections: \$4,774,656
  - Roundabouts at following Hwy 169 intersections: \$5,229,494
- **Trails/Sidewalks/Underpass: \$1,002,186**
- **Paving Meadow Road: \$600,000\*** \*Does not include sidewalks/curb/gutter



# Financing Project – Known Commitments

- **Meadow Road: None**
- **Trails/Sidewalks/Underpass: None**
- **Hwy 169 Improvements:**
  - **Iowa DOT Contribution = \$1,500,000**
  - **Iowa DOT Roundabout Safety = \$??**
  - **Southbridge Developer Agreement = \$268,909**
  - **Timberview Developer Agreement = \$147,910**

# Project Questions

## *McClure Engineering*

- **Highway 169 Improvements – Traditional Turn Lanes vs. Roundabouts**
- **Trails/Sidewalks/Underpass**
- **Paving of Meadow Road**



# Survey Results

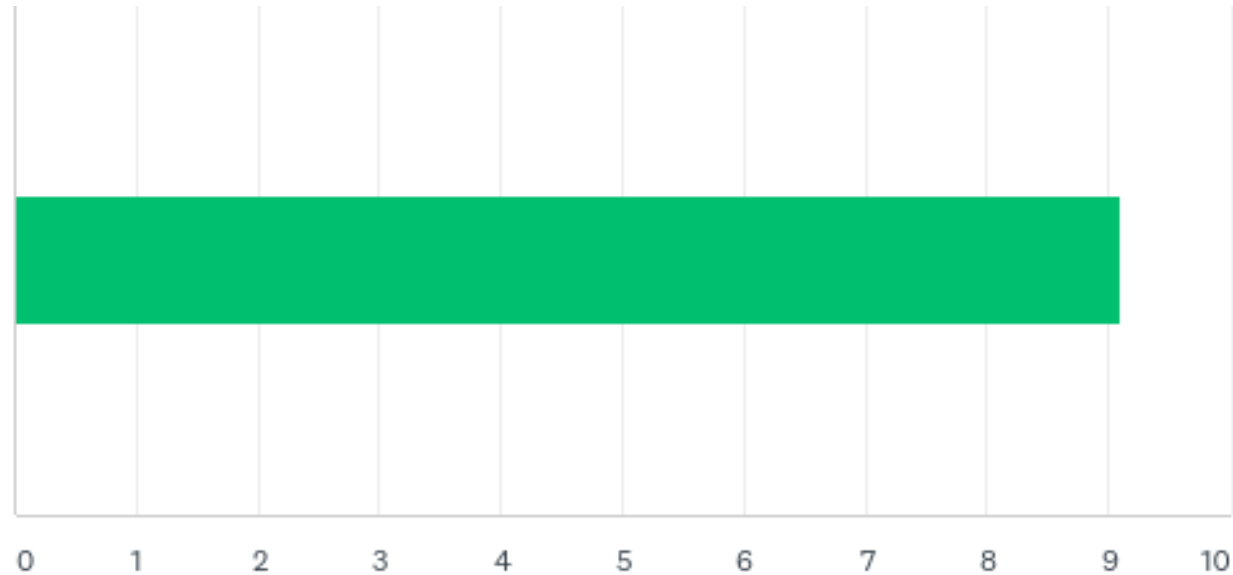
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- Total Responses
- Date Created: Saturday, November 24, 2018
- Complete Responses: 18



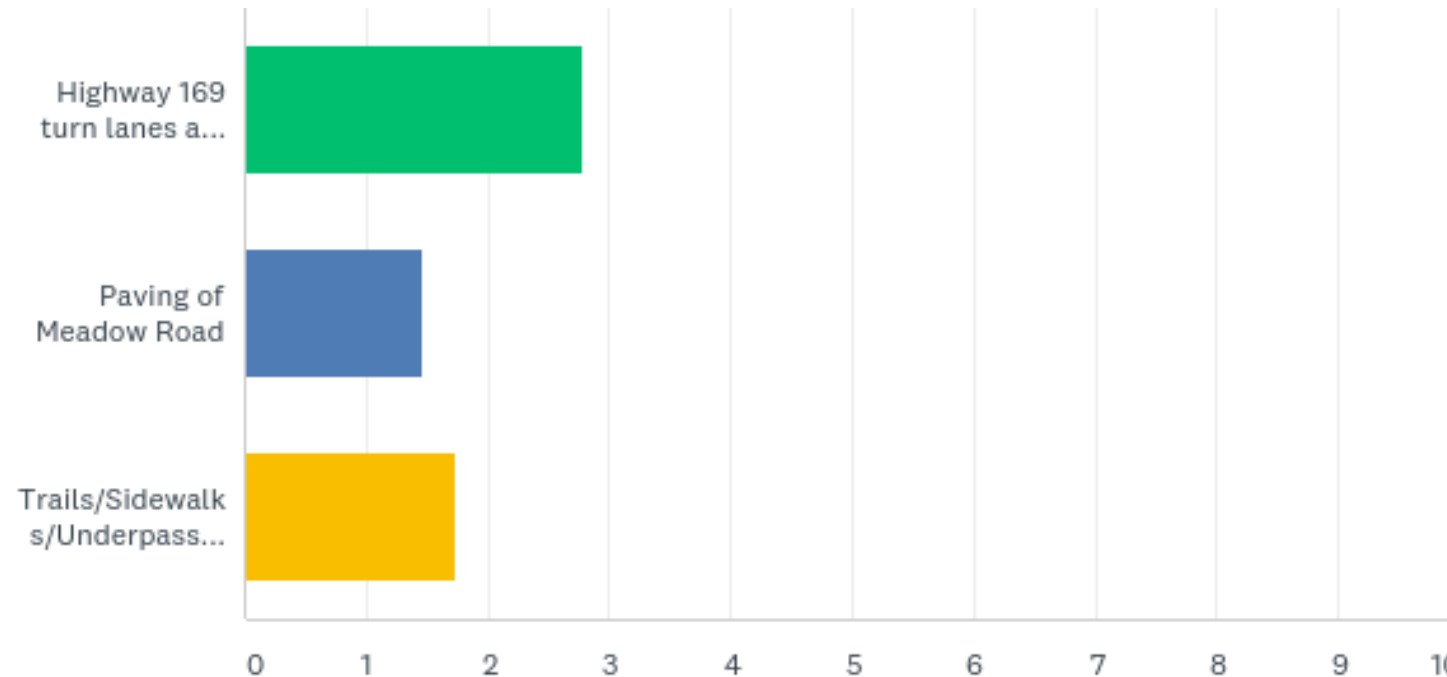
Q1: Do you believe the overall project (Hwy 169 turn lanes, trails/sidewalks/underpass, and Meadow Road paving) should move forward? (Scale of 1 to 10 with 10 being most agreeable).

- Answered: 19 Skipped: 0



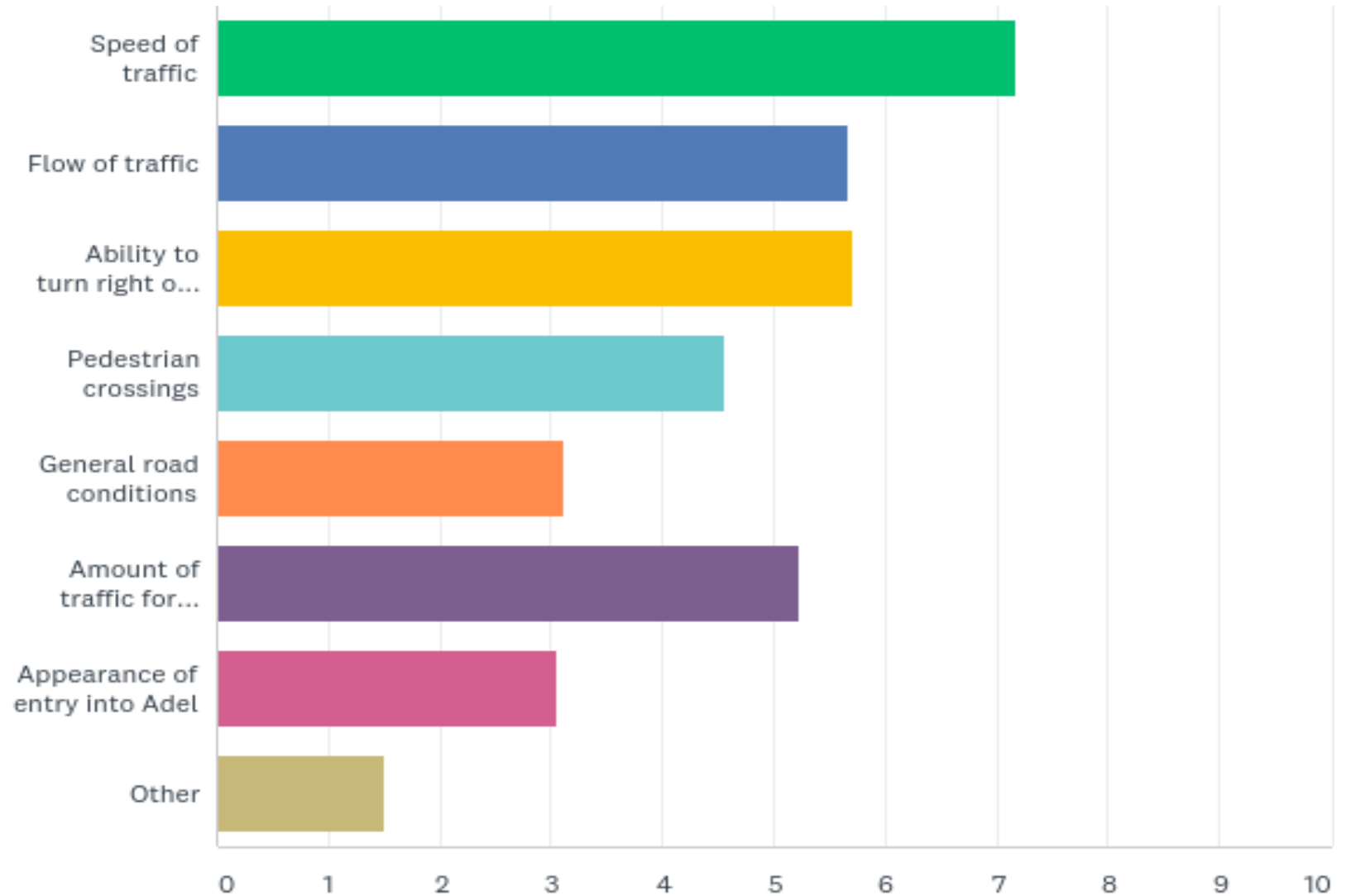
Q2: Please rank the 3 sub-projects in order of importance. (1 as the most important, 3 as the least.)

- Answered: 19 Skipped: 0



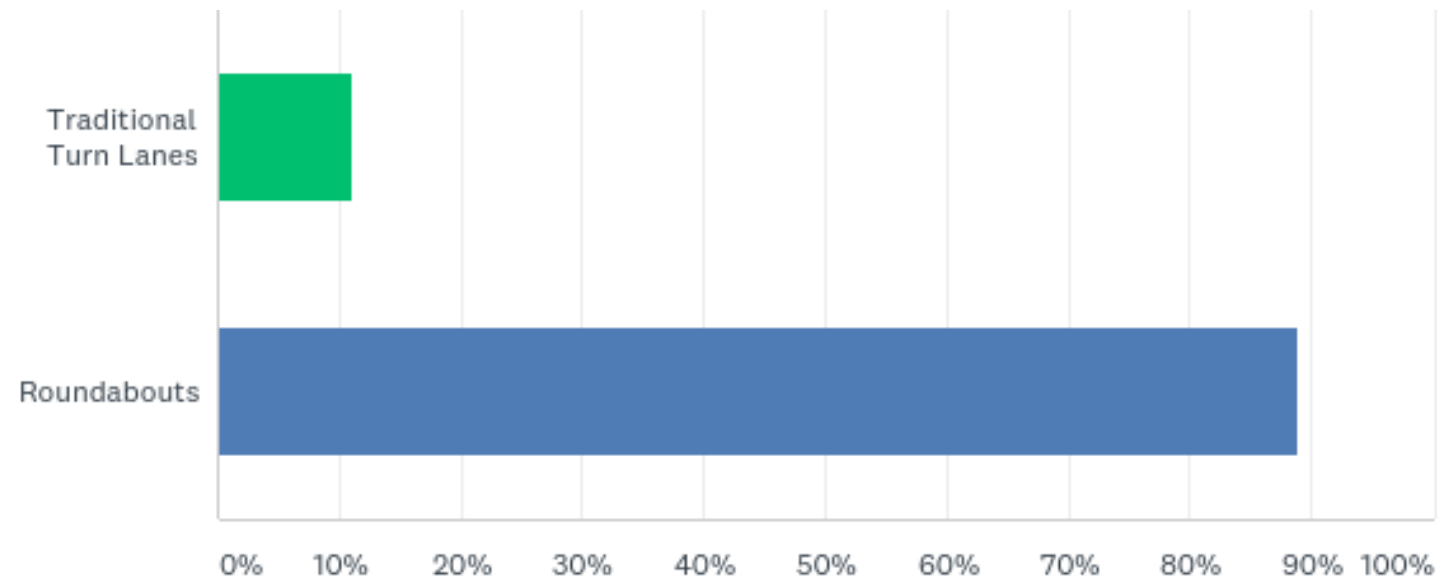
Q3: What is your biggest concern about Highway 169 that needs to be addressed? (1 as the most important, 8 as the least.)

- Answered: 18  
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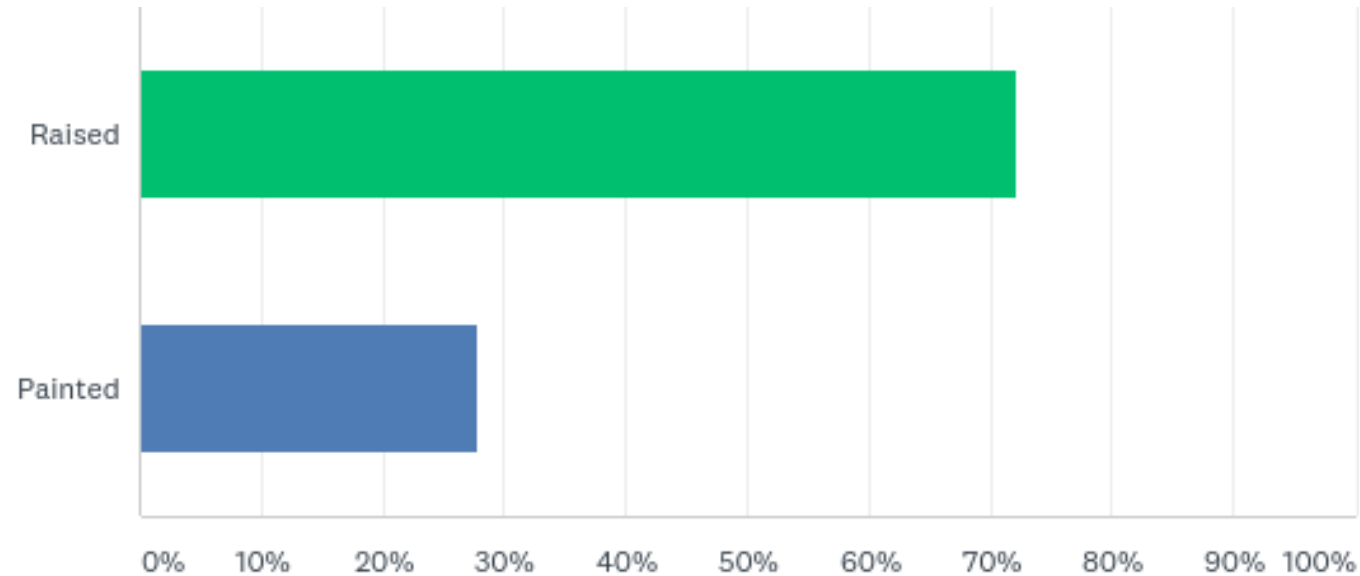
Q4: When considering all factors (cost, rules on stop lights & speed limits, overall design, etc.), of the two concept drawings for turn lanes presented, which of the two concepts do you prefer more - traditional turn lanes or roundabouts?

- Answered: 18 Skipped: 1



## Q5: If the city decided to proceed with the traditional turn lane concept, should the medians be raised or painted?

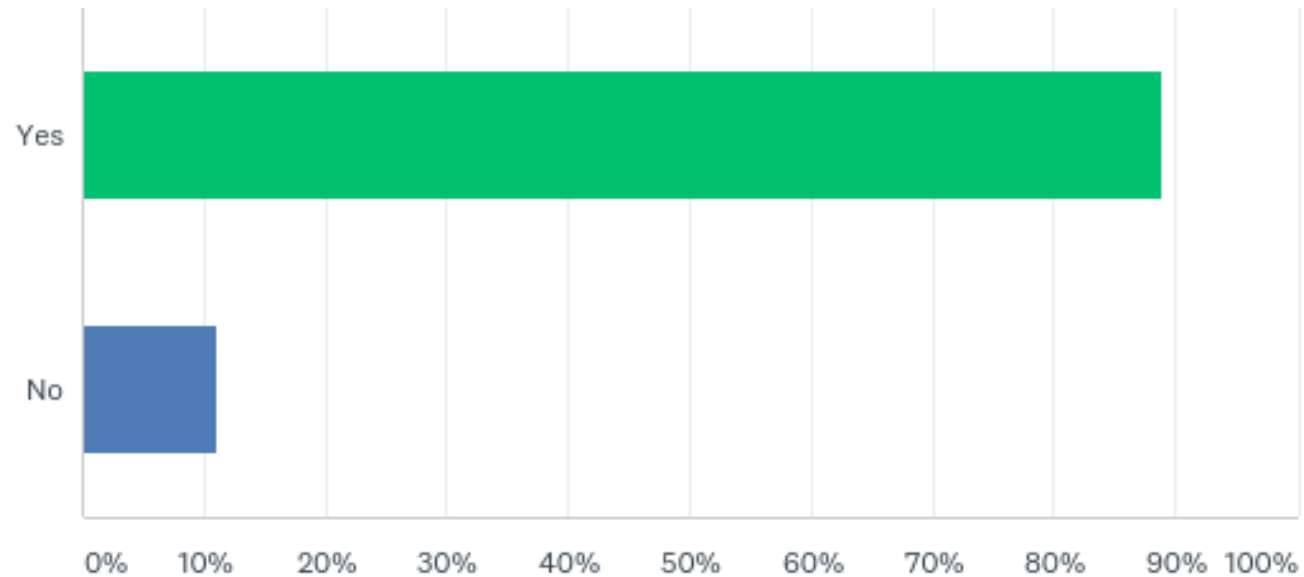
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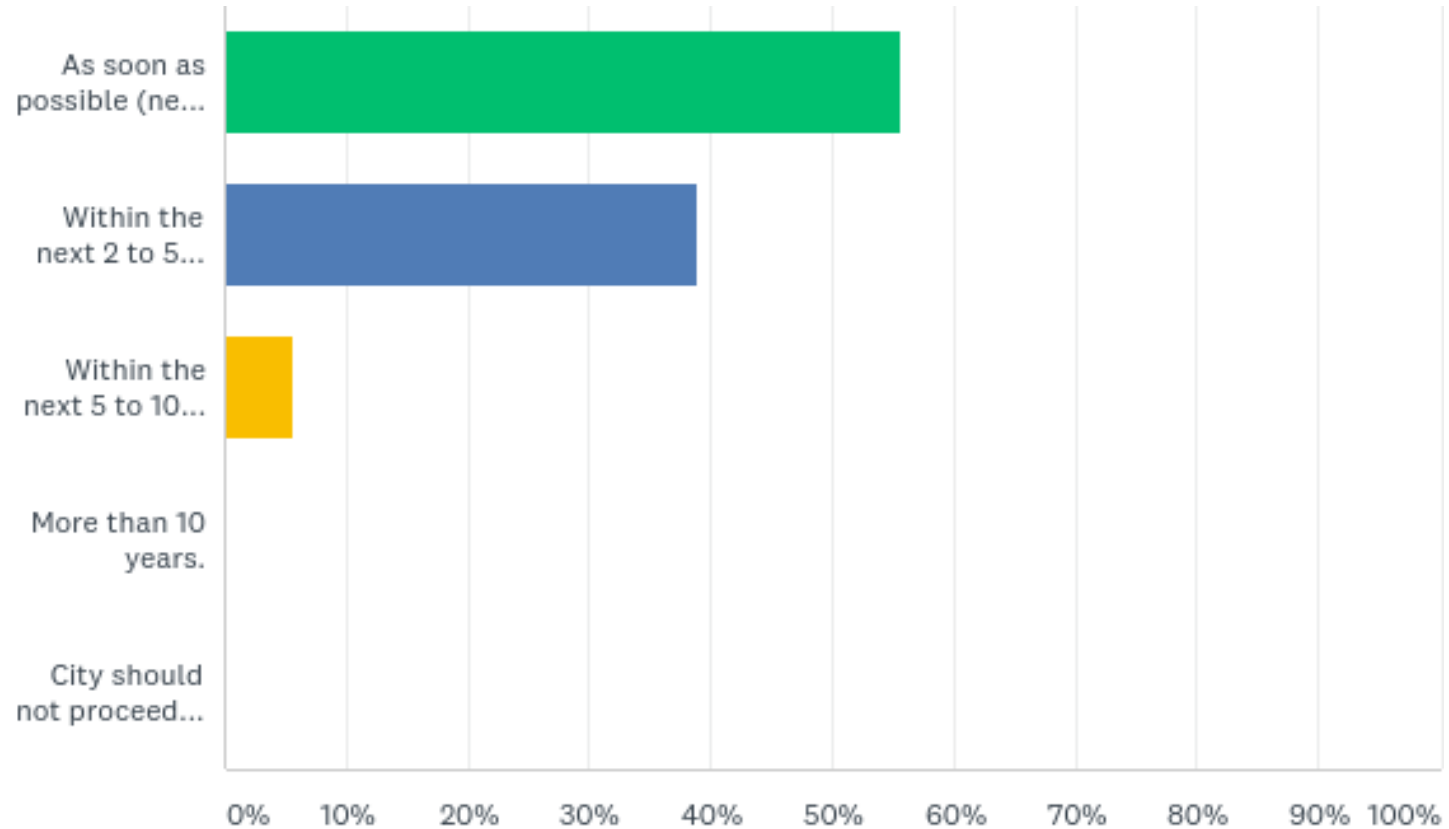
# Q7: If the city decided to proceed with the roundabout concept, should this include a roundabout solution at the intersection with the ADM High School and Fareway?

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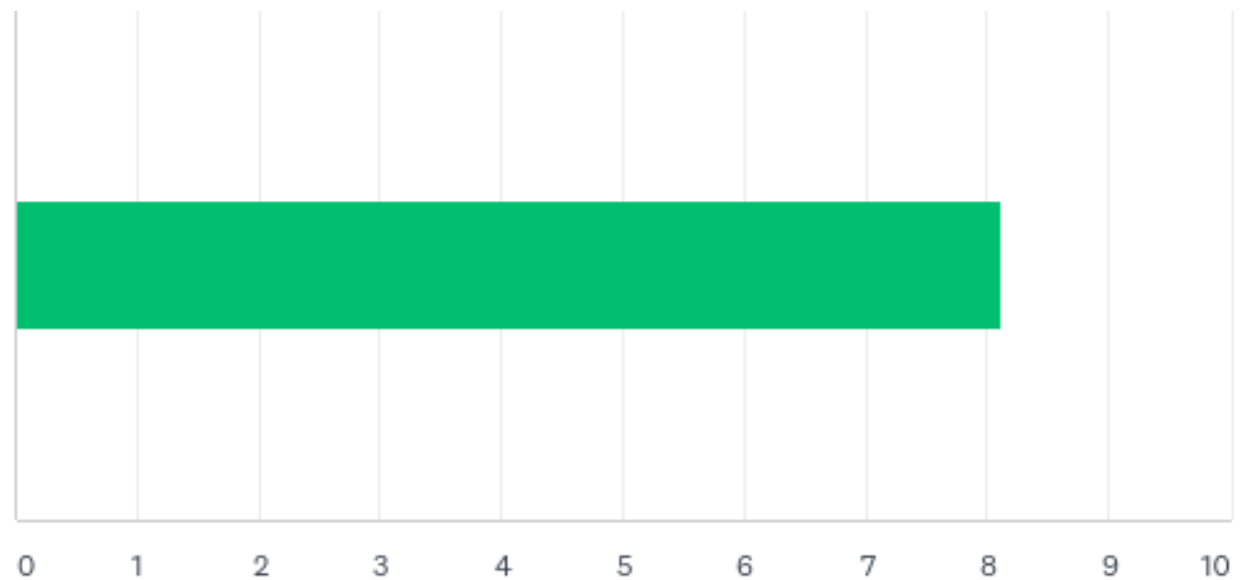
# Q9: On a timescale, when should the city proceed with the Highway 169 turn lane and safety improvements?

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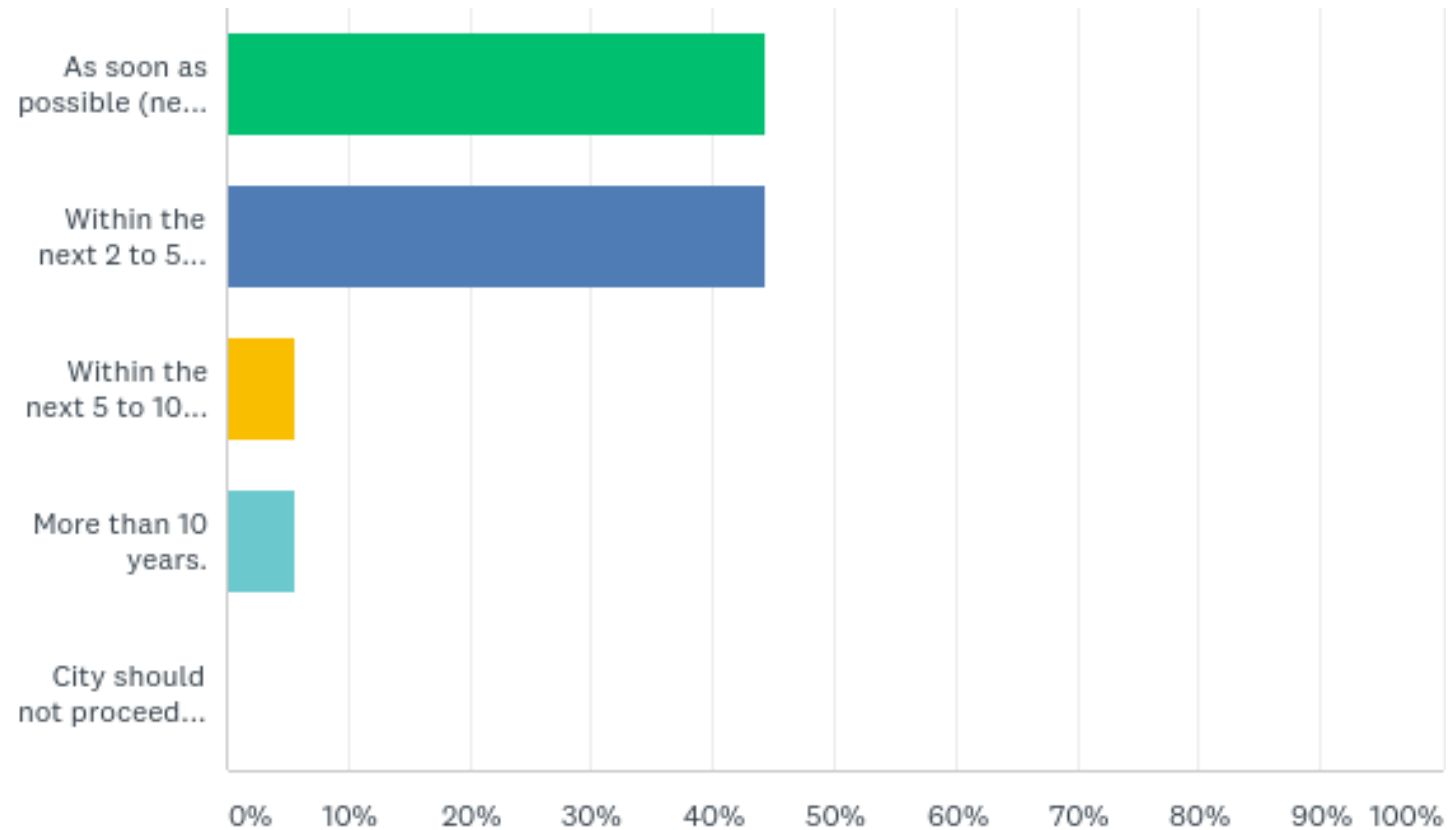
Q10: For any future developments that require intersections on Highway 169 within the city of Adel, should the city require that the developer fully fund the cost of the of the intersection (traditional or roundabout) at the time of construction of that intersection? (Scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the most agreeable.)

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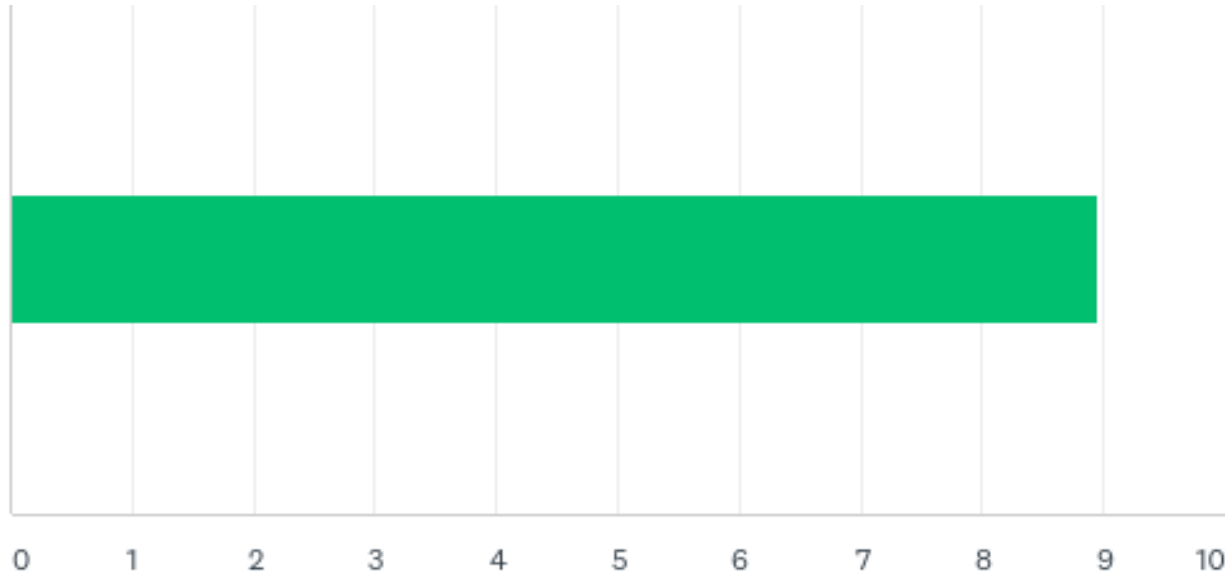
## Q12: On a timescale, when should the city proceed with the Trails/Sidwalks/Underpass?

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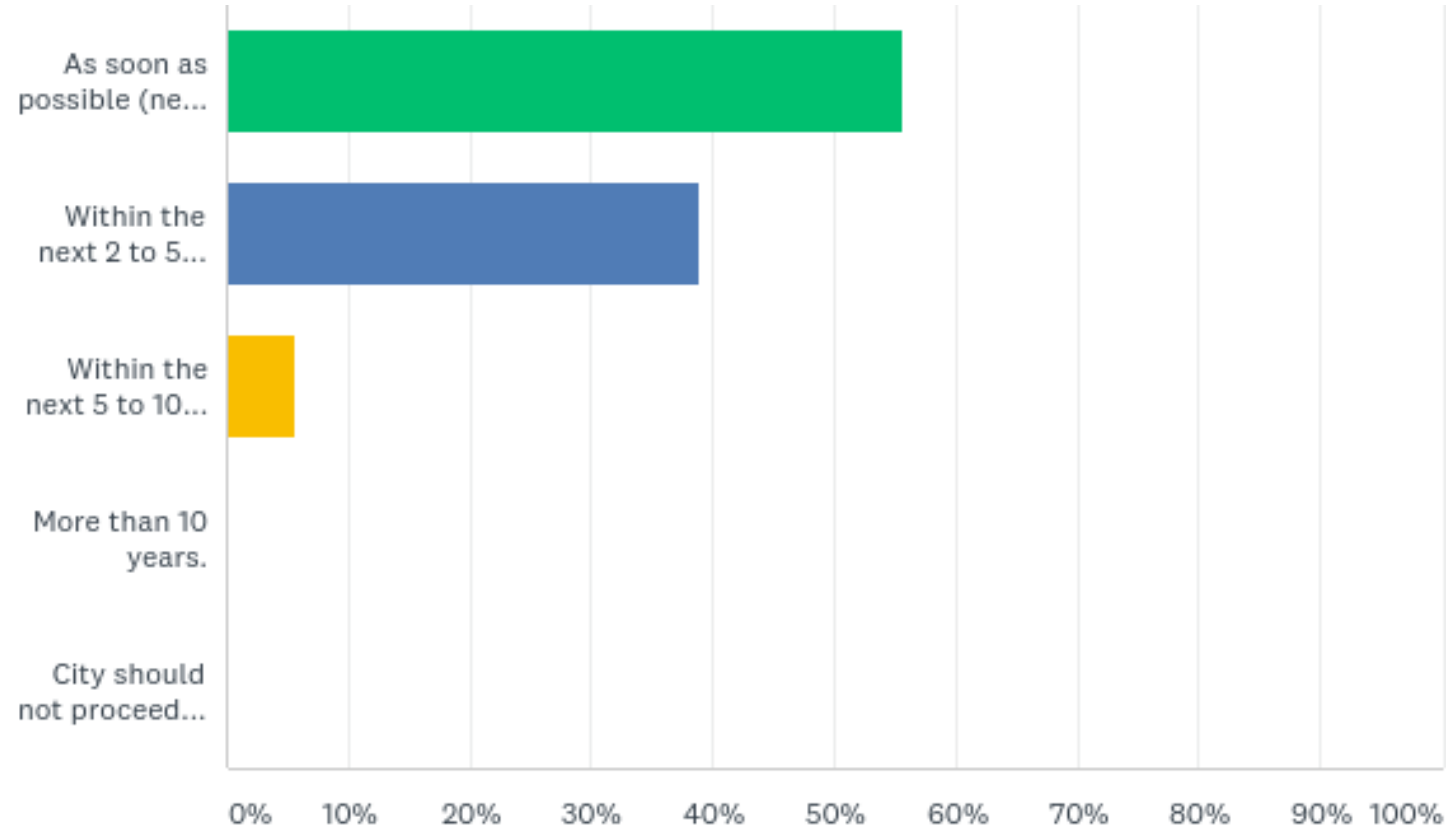
Q13: For any future developments along the Highway 169 corridor within the city of Adel, should the city require that the developer provide trails within the development that also connect to trails/sidewalk adjacent to Highway 169 paid for by the developer by said developer? (Scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the most agreeable.)

- Answered: 18 Skipped: 1



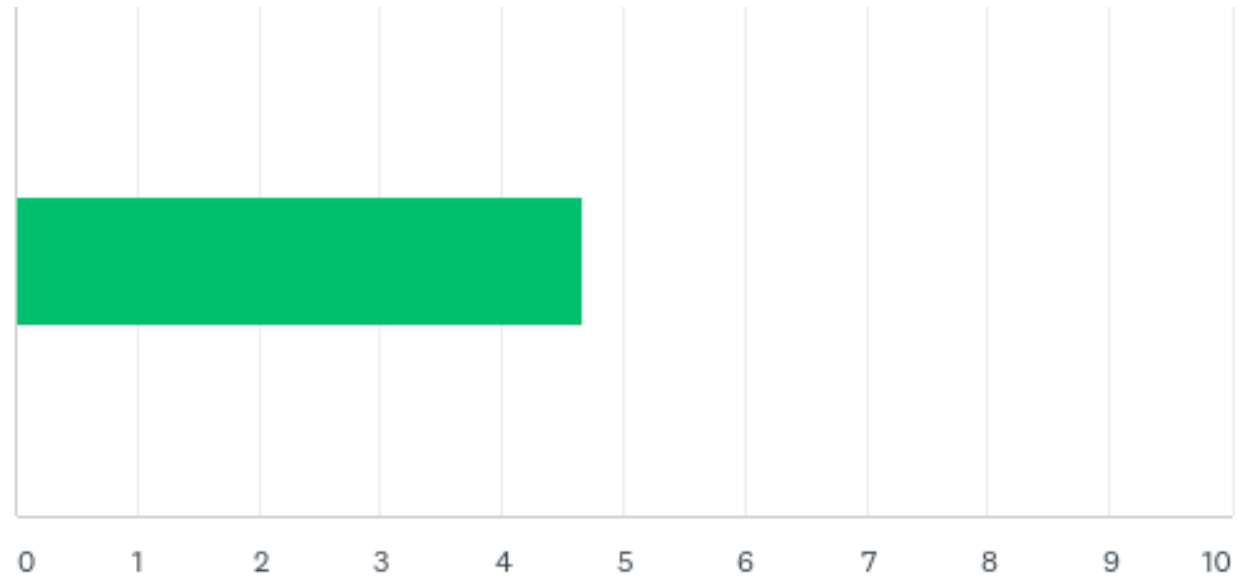
# Q15: On a timescale, when should the city proceed with the paving of Meadow Road?

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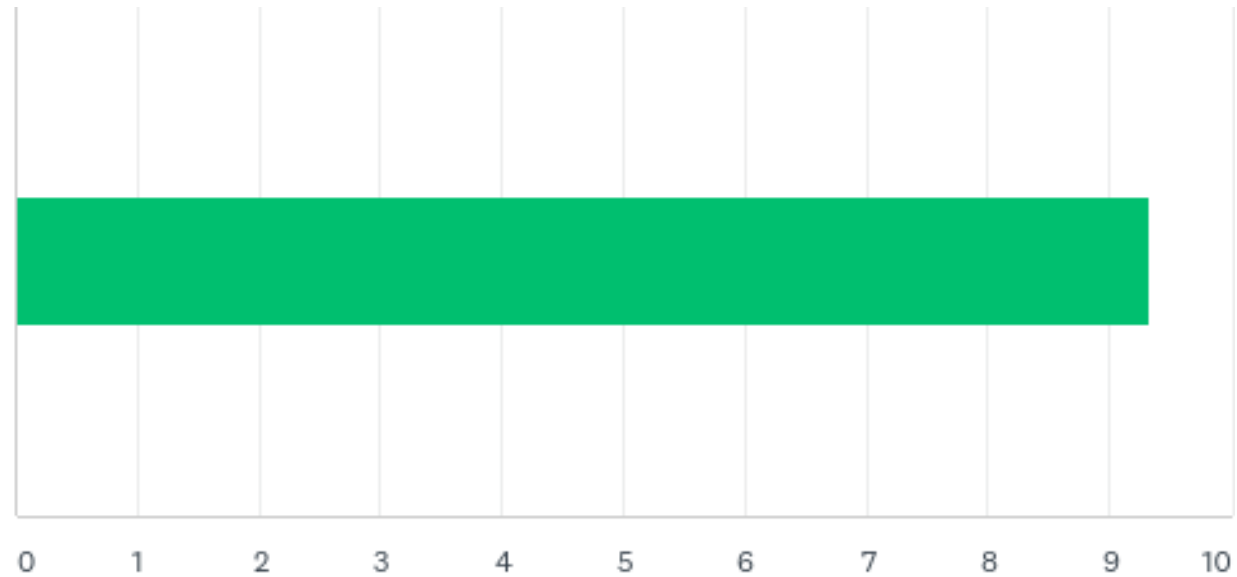
Q16: Knowing that as presented the paving of Meadow Road did not include any sidewalks on the north side of the road, thus including sidewalk (which would also include the requirement for curb & gutter) would significantly increase the cost of the paving, what is your opinion of the importance of including sidewalk at this time along Meadow Road? (Scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the most agreeable.)

- Answered: 18 Skipped: 1



Q17: For any future developments with the city of Adel, should the city require that any road in or adjacent to said development be required to be paved with full curb, gutter and sidewalk at the developers expense? (Scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the most agreeable.)

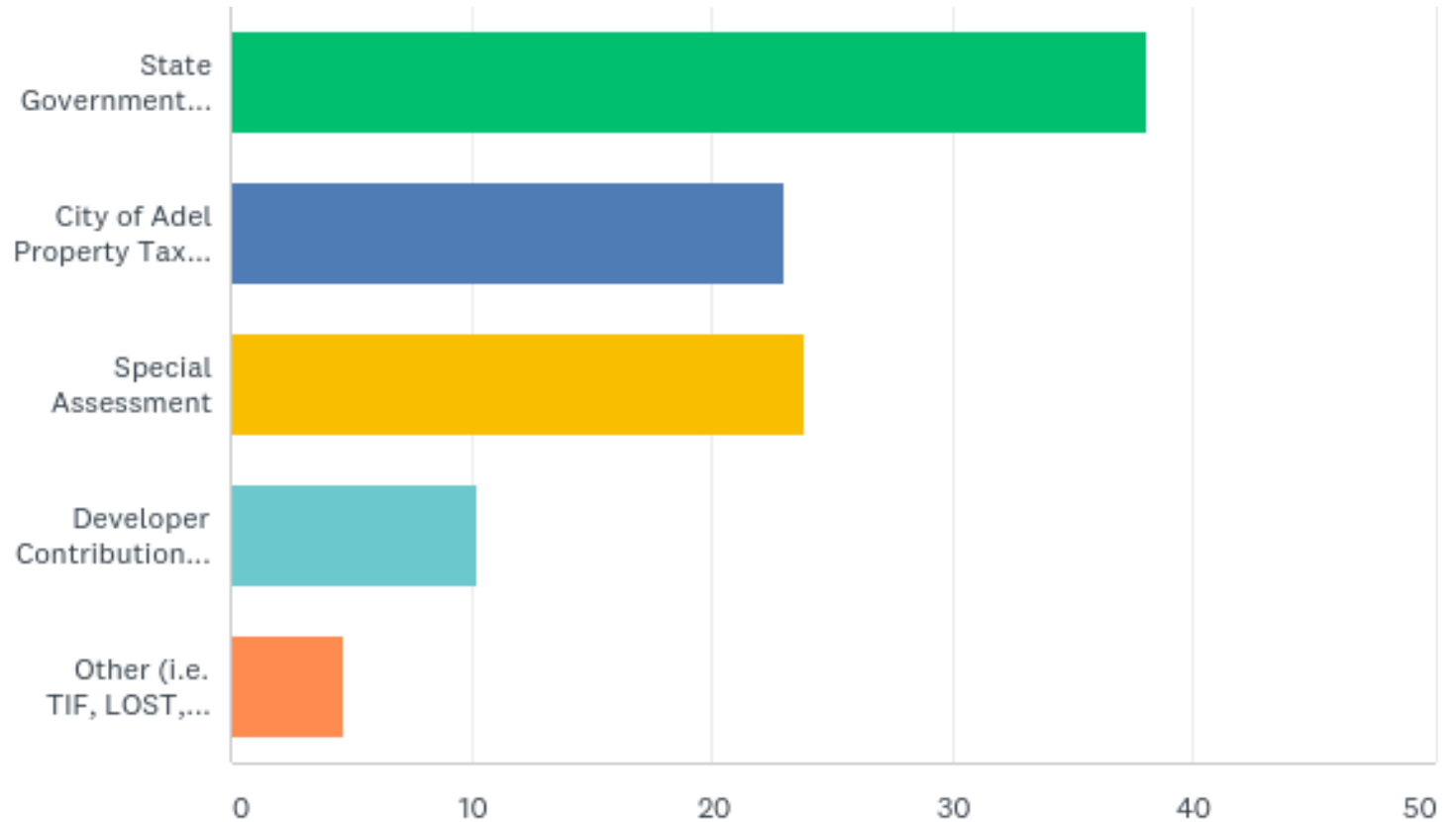
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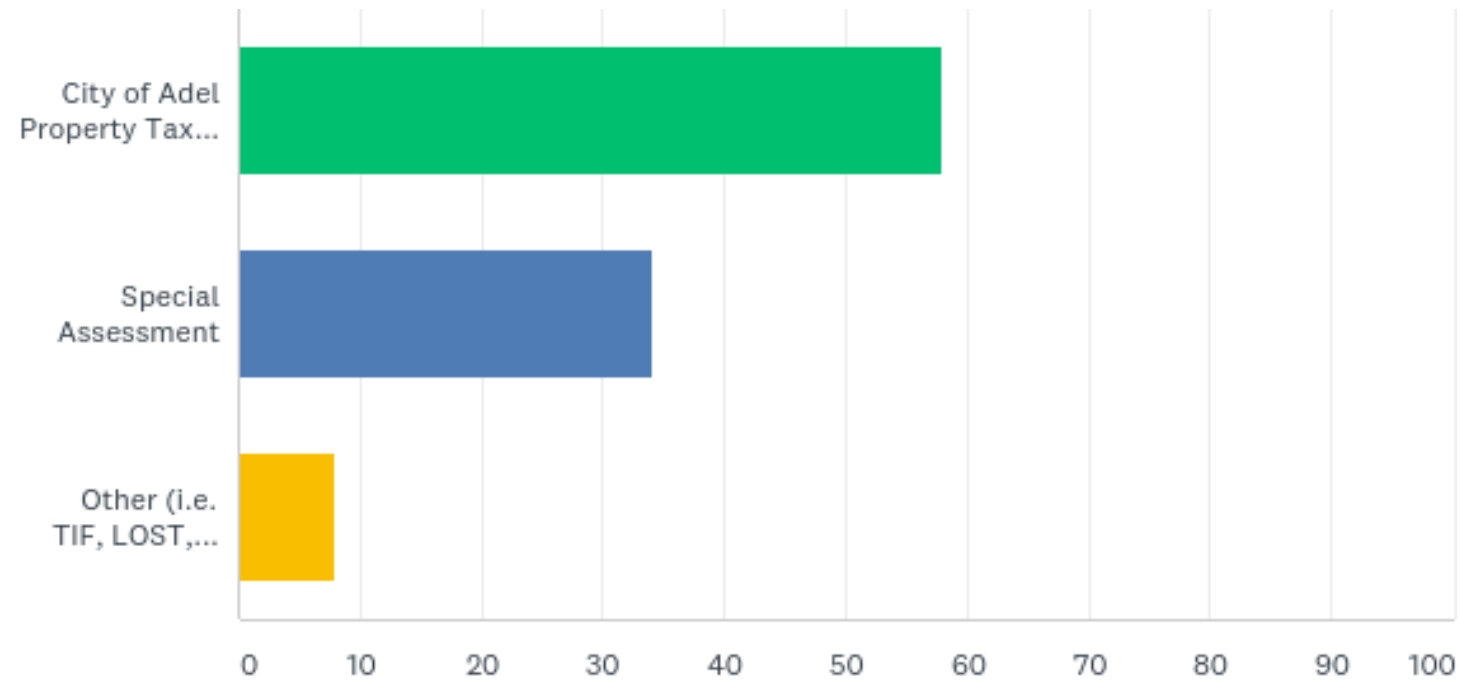
Q19: What percentage of mix should be used to finance the Highway 169 turn lane and safety improvements? (If none, enter 0. Total must add to 100.)

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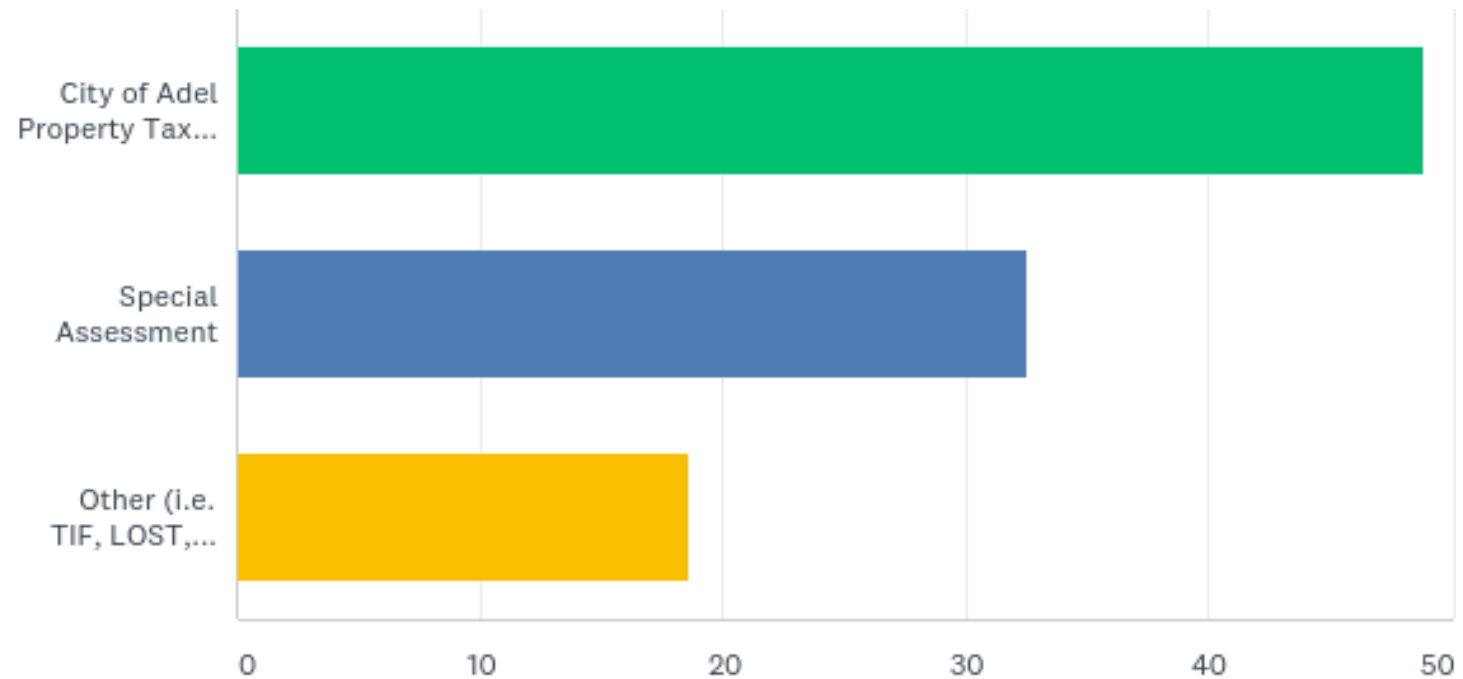
Q21: What percentage of mix should be used to finance the Trails/Sidewalks/Underpass along Highway 169? (If none, enter 0. Total must add to 100.)

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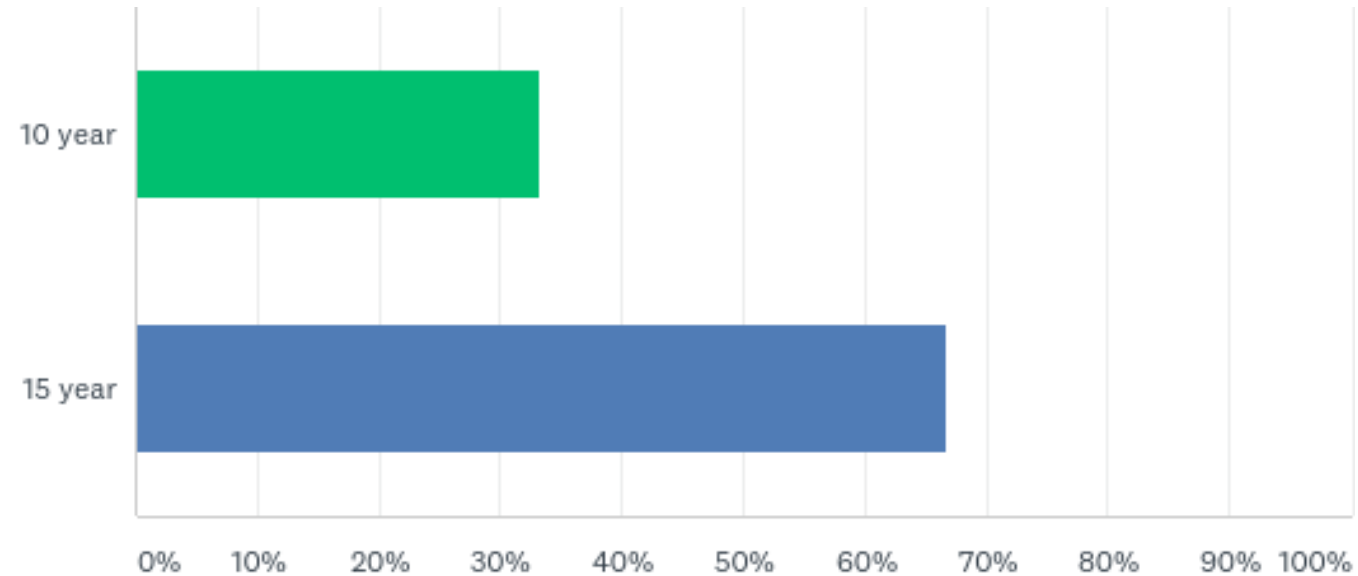
# Q23: What percentage of mix should be used to finance the paving of Meadow Road? (Total must add to 100.)

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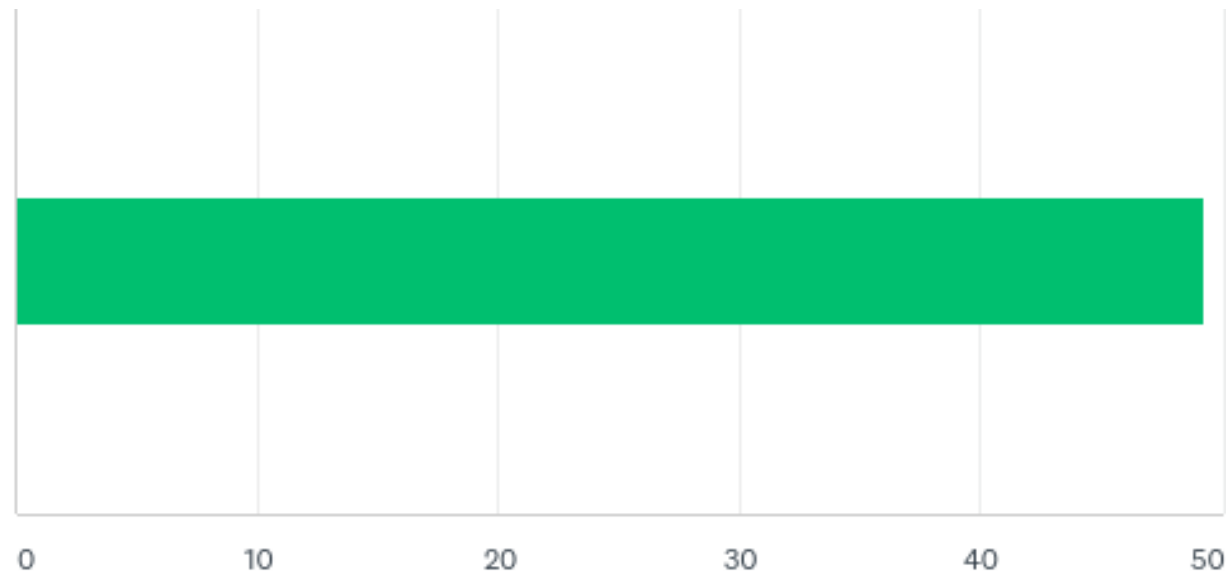
Q25: If the city were to use a special assessment to finance part of these projects, the city can offer a 10 or 15 year payment schedule. Which of these do believe is the most preferable?

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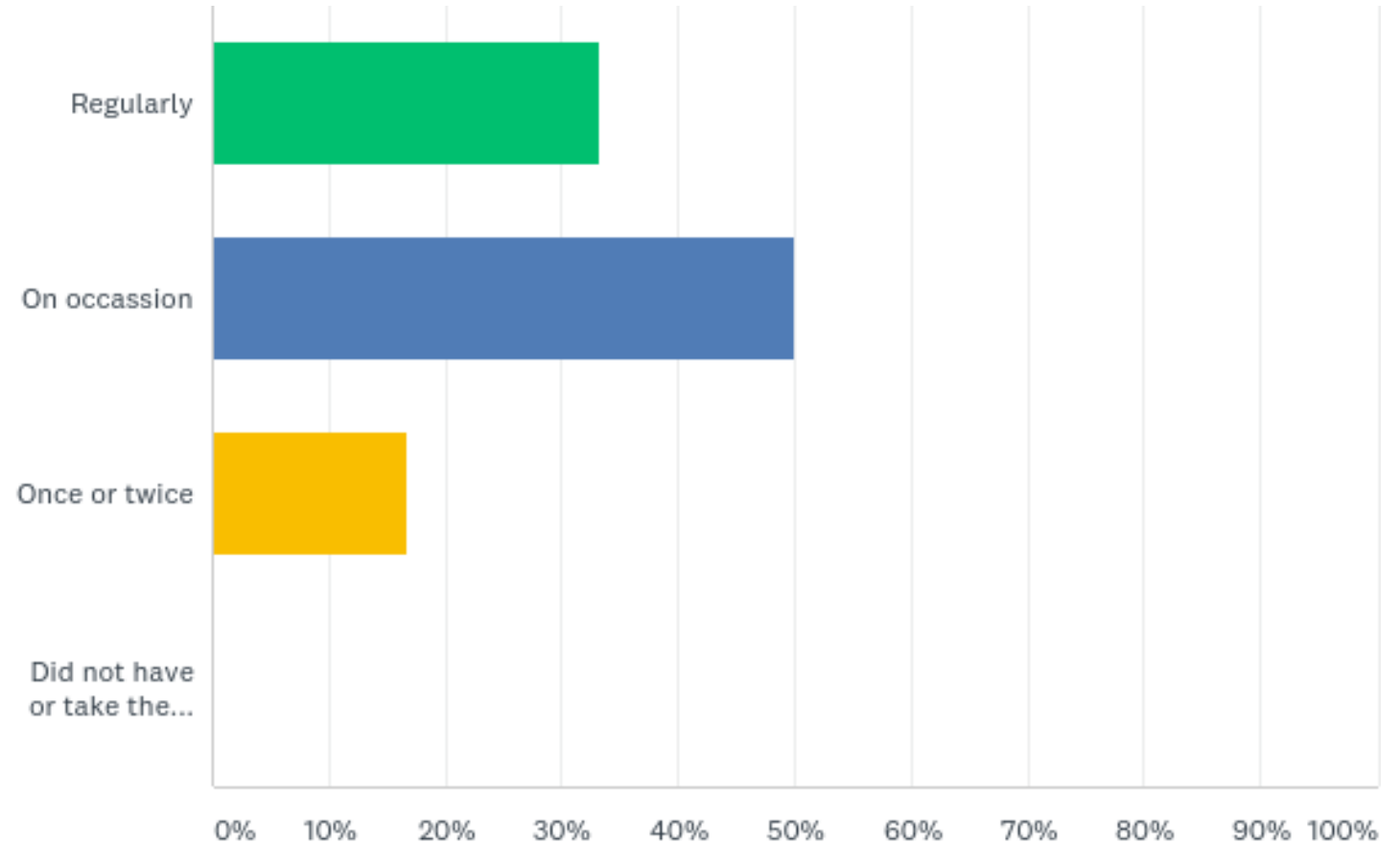
Q26: If the city were to use a special assessment to finance part of these projects, what do you believe is an acceptable average monthly payment for the assessment for homeowners? (In dollars)

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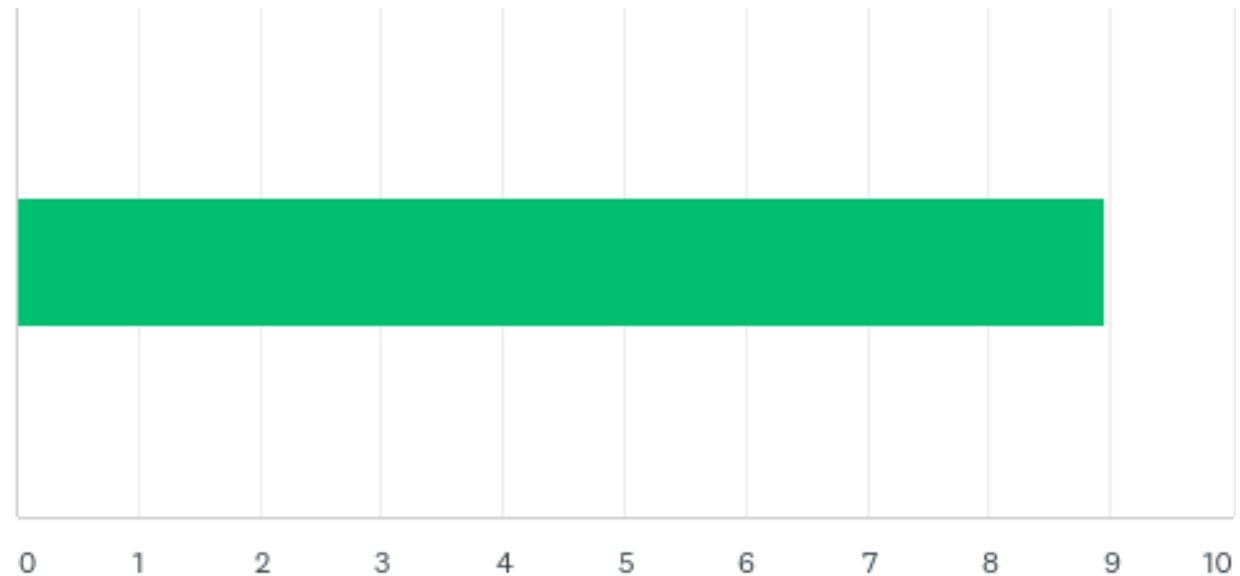
# Q29: Did you share information you received from this group with your friends and neighbors?

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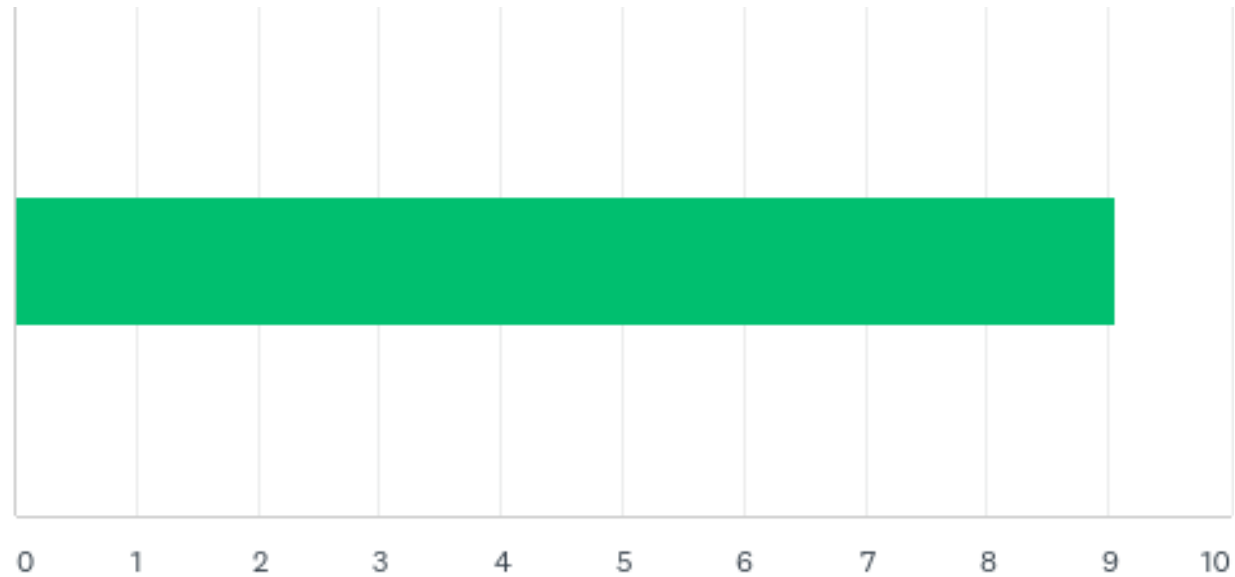
Q30: In general, I feel I received the right amount of information and/or the information I was seeking by participating in this Focus Group? (Scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the most agreeable.)

- Answered: 18 Skipped: 1



Q31: Regarding this Focus Group, do you believe having this focus group was beneficial for this project and the city of Adel? (Scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the most agreeable.)

- Answered: 18 Skipped: 1





# Consensus Building

- **Build consensus recommendation:**
  - **Make difficult decisions**
  - **Prepared to compromise**
  - **Understand that not every detail will have an absolute answer at this stage and things may change after the recommendation**
  - **Complete with a sense of accomplishment and pride in helping your community & its direction.**

# Consensus Building

**“But just as they did in Philadelphia when they were writing the constitution, sooner or later, you've got to compromise. You've got to start making the compromises that arrive at a consensus and move the country forward.”**

***Colin Powell***

# Consensus Building

- **At your tables:**
  - **Review each of the following parts of the project:**
    - **Highway 169 Improvements**
    - **Trails/Sidewalks/Underpass**
    - **Paving of Meadow Road**
  - **Come to consensus for each on:**
    - **Project details or recommended changes**
    - **Priority/Timeframe for project**
    - **Financing methodology: allocation to various funding mechanisms (if includes assessment – details: max monthly payment, months to payback etc.)**

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# Going Forward

- **The Streets Committee will review recommendations.**
- **The Streets Committee will recommend to full council a pathway forward that includes additional public input opportunities and meetings.**

# Going Forward

- **Remember these are recommendations, the full city council and IDOT must approval all final actions ... so things may change.**
- **Thank you! You deserve to be proud of what you have done here in helping the community and City of Adel!**