

QUESTIONNAIRE: NATURAL RESOURCES



Community Survey

Uniquely East Side, September 9, 2023

Thank you for attending *Uniquely East Side* today! Folks in the community have been saying that we need a cleaner, healthier, safer environment. So, we're hoping you will tell us more about *what you think* Payne-Phalen should be like 10 years from now.

1. What kinds of new/improved green space would you like to see in the neighborhood?
 - a. More public spaces like pocket parks, urban plazas, and greener commercial streets
 - b. Open space for recreation, activity, and large community gatherings
 - c. More wooded areas and so-called "pocket forests"
 - d. More wetlands
 - e. Collective community gardens where anyone can work-in or harvest from the garden
 - f. Greenways (or green sleeves) that span the neighborhood: East-to-west or north-to-south
 - g. What else do you suggest? _____

2. In a general sense, *where* should new green spaces be located?
 - a. At major transportation and mobility hubs (transit, bikeshare, carshare, etc.)
 - b. Vacant lots or underused parking lots
 - c. Re-use of obsolete industrial properties
 - d. Beside freeways and railroads
 - e. Nestled in residential neighborhoods, wherever there are small remnants of land
 - f. Shared space formed by neighbors taking down fences to plant cooperative gardens, creating common green zones that span two or more front yards, backyards, or side yards
 - g. On the roof of new and existing commercial, industrial, institutional, or residential buildings

3. How might we protect and access clean water?
 - a. Regulations that limit corporate water waste
 - b. Public education that helps people be aware of threats to the water supply and teaches habits that reduce water usage
 - c. Encourage native plantings that require less watering
 - d. Other: What else do you suggest? _____

4. Community members have told us that they want to see more green space and better air quality. If given a choice, which of the following would you prefer to see in Payne-Phalen in the next 10 years:
 - a. More surface parking lots (with more space for cars, more concrete, and more asphalt)
 - b. Some parking lots turned into green space like community gardens, plazas, and pocket parks
 - c. Some parking lots turned into spaces for carbon capture zones, generating clean energy, pollution remediation
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5. How could we work together to make improvements to air quality?
 - a. Less driving, more car sharing
 - b. Safer, more accessible, and more active sidewalks to improve walkability
 - c. more pocket parks, pocket prairies, and pocket forests
 - d. More active regulations of industries that generate toxic air pollution
 - e. By developing and supporting generation of clean power right here, in the neighborhood
 - f. No permits for new gas stations; instead, more electric vehicle chargers
 - g. Other: what else do you suggest? _____

6. A lot of people have told us that they're concerned about our society's reliance on fossil fuels. So, to reduce the harmful impacts, we need to be part of a clean energy future. Which one of these would you like to see *in Payne-Phalen* in the next ten years? (check all that apply)
 - a. Solar arrays
 - b. Wind turbines
 - c. Geothermal
 - d. District heating and cooling
 - e. Other: _____

7. How do you feel about *who* should be developing, owning, and controlling clean energy utilities:
 - a. Public utility companies and/or private corporations
 - b. Government-owned power generation and utilities
 - c. Community-owned power generation and utilities
 - d. Other ideas? _____

8. What ideas do you have for how we can teach children, youth, and adults to respect nature?

Optional information... *Only if you feel comfortable sharing it.*

Approximately what age will you be ten years from now? 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 100+

Which of these local organizations have you heard of or know a little bit about?

- Capital Region Watershed
- Ramsey-Washington Watershed
- Reimaging the Civic Commons
- Wakan Tipi Awanyankapi
- Payne-Phalen Community Council
- Dayton's Bluff Community Council

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