

Beautiful, Safe and Connected: 20 Question Candidate Survey on Human Transportation

This questionnaire takes approximately 5-10 minutes to complete.

It is a series of rapid-fire transportation related questions intended to educate, inform and query mayoral and council candidates on their human transportation philosophy and policy.

The answers and your scores, representing the views of potential elected officials, will be shared with the public prior to the election on October 24th, and with our network of partners and supporters.

Scoring:

The scoring system is clear and straightforward. "Agree" represents our organizational standpoint on each subject. Your overall score will be based on how closely your views match those of our organization and the people we represent, with consideration for thoughtful replies and your time should you decide to use the "other" option or choose to disagree. There are a maximum of 100 points available. Agree = 5 pts; Disagree or providing a caveat answer in the "other" section = 1pt. The Bonus Question is worth 5 points.

Deadline:

Please submit this form by Sunday October 21st at 5pm.

Our promotion of your responses will begin thereafter giving any undecided voters the chance to assess your views on this subject.

About Winnipeg Trails:

Winnipeg Trails was established in 2013. We have a long history of research, education, and advocacy in the field of walking, cycling and universal design. We represent the needs and wishes of Winnipeggers of every ability and work with our stakeholder groups and partners to make Winnipeg even better. We host an annual conference called ModeShift and you will see our work reflected in signage, amenities and trails in every corner of Winnipeg. We have a long relationship with the media, and are known as the voice of trails in Winnipeg. Please visit WinnipegTrails.ca for more information or contact us any time at info@WinnipegTrails.ca.

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Beautiful

Fig.1 McDermot Avenue shortly after construction (2018)



When I view the above photo, I see the future of transportation in Winnipeg and a vision that closely matches my vision and my goal for all major streets. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: Winter transportation is the issue.

Winnipeg is a beautiful river city and our growing network of trails and protected bike lanes is one of the main reasons I am a proud Winnipegger.

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Agree

Disagree

Other: We are proud of Justice and humanity in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg's wayfinding signage on its trails is often sparse and in many cases nearly non-existent. By the end of my term in office, we will have a comprehensive wayfinding system that enables people traveling on foot and by bike to easily find major destinations and local street connections.

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Agree

Disagree

Other: Being lost is not a problem, bike theft is.

I will ensure that a parent pushing a baby stroller is made to feel treated like a guest of honour within our transit system and in all roadway projects. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: Busses are a public utility, and should be free.

By the end of my term, I will make sure there is a public bench every 100m throughout Winnipeg to make it possible for elderly people to have equal access to our city. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: City bench removal is a problem.

I will provide funding for and work with Winnipeg Trails to create a kid-friendly neighbourhood walking and cycling map for my ward. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: "Kid friendly" is needed everywhere.

Safe

School zones signs are not enough to make it safe for kids walking and biking to school. I will make sure we have a funded plan for neighbourhood traffic calming in place by 2020. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: Safety is important, near schools, not revenue generation.

The proceeds from speeding tickets in school zones should be directed towards a fund for building infrastructure that eliminates/reduces speeding near schools and in places where children occupy. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: Safety and revenue generation are different issues.

Calgary recently voted to reduce speed limits city-wide. I agree with the need for a similar law in Winnipeg and think that streets in Winnipeg should be designed for 30km/hr to match the worldwide standard for vehicle speeds in urban areas to avoid death and injury. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: Nothing "city wide" works and even speed limits need to be local.

It is critical that we measure greenhouse gas emissions that arise from transportation and commit to meeting or exceeding our share of targets required by the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) to do our part avoid a global catastrophe. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: We need to do what works for Winnipeg, not a global agenda.

Winnipeg should emulate cities across Canada and around the world in adopting Vision Zero (a goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries related to driving, walking and cycling). *

Agree

Disagree

Other: You can't legislate human behaviour.

For ethical reasons, it is more important to create a city-wide, safe and connected minimum-grid of cycling facilities than it is to spend \$500Million to add two lanes to Kenaston. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: Yes/no questions are of no use.

For ethical reasons, it is more important to make sure it is safe for children to walk or bike to school than it is to spend \$400Million to extend the Chief Peguis freeway. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: This question is about budget, not ethics.

Connected

I support City of Winnipeg funding going towards the establishment of a trail-building crew led by Indigenous youth, guided by their elders, tasked with identifying, upgrading, branding and maintaining trails in Winnipeg, in keeping with the Truth and Reconciliation movement, the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP) and Winnipeg's Indigenous Accord. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: Treaty one, read it, its a bad deal, lets fix it.

I recognize that, for the past 50+ years, although we may have had good intentions in doing so, we have been building a city whose transportation system now values the movement of machines more than human life. We must spend the next 20 years doing everything we can to make things better. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: Transportation is machines. Winter is a problem to solve.

All arterial and collector road rehabilitations should include protected bike lanes, improvements that make it easier to walk (such pedestrian refuge islands, increased crosswalk frequency of crosswalks), and accommodations for the physically, visually, cognitively and hearing impaired (which include shorter crossing distances, audible and detectable indicators of all kinds and slower vehicle travel speeds). *

Agree

Disagree

Other: Pedestrian refuge islands?

I will join representatives of Winnipeg Trails and Bike Winnipeg for an annual guided tour to learn about walking and cycling facilities, opportunities, and barriers in my ward. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: I walk most places. Free busses solves transportation issues.

I will review the list of Quick Fixes crowdsourced by Winnipeg Trails once a year to assess what has been fixed and develop a plan to fix the rest. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: There are no quick fixes.

To review all the suggestions made on the crowdsourced map of quick fixes, please visit:

<http://www.winnipegtrails.ca/the-just-do-it-crowdsourced-simple-fix-map-of-winnipegs-trails/>

Winnipeg should put together a large multi-million dollar package of cycling and walking priority projects, and urge other big city Mayors and councillors to do the same, making this a priority ask for federal government funding. *

Agree

Disagree

Other: All transportation of course must be considered.

Bonus Question

Tell us about your favourite trail or bike lane, or some experience you had using a trail system or bikeway that you will always remember. **OPTIONAL:** Feel free to provide a link to a photo of you on walking or on a bicycle! We will share it and use the photo when we post your answers. (Post a link to a Webpage, Twitter or Instagram post or send us a photo via email.)

Grew up with the monkey trails. They looked after themselves.

COMMENT (not for points): Any additional information you would like to share with the public.

Free busses as a public utility would solve many transportation issues.

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