

Overall Design & Layout of Residential or Commercial Areas

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

1. Higher density -can bring availability
2. ... Higher volume of corridors
3. Ball Perkins Park is capitalize on asset
4. Love mixed use
5. Bike Paths
6. Round A Booths

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1) GR has to be sure
- 2) GRPD shows up
- 3) Have identity of people who live here- not be pushed at institutions that have roots get supported
- 4) History is important – make it interesting
- 5) College expansion taking over
- 6) Can go to hood
- 7) Carlton Roads in Bad Shape
- 8) BIPOC-Diversity of in business owners * Restaurants (Diverse) *mom & pop locally owned

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1) Traffic * Roundabouts – Leonard Plainfield
- 2) Traffic Improvements
- 3) How to use roundabouts =Education

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1) We don't know what's needed

Overall Economic Health

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

- 1) Engagement with people in hood
- 2) Traffic
- 3) Maintaining Neighborhood where people want to live
- 4) More transparency on planning Commission
- 5) Beckwith as a Park too.
- 6) Availability of Jobs – Fair Wages
- 7) Competitive Jobs- Career related

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1) Neighbors getting along
- 2) Retail- Customer base to e grown
- 3) More walkable to hardware

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1) Riverfront
- 2) Dealing w/ homeless which drives away customers
- 3) Well maintained neighborhood- clean streets, etc.

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1) Hot Team
- 2) Coalition to end homelessness
- 3) Railroads to deal w/homeless encampments w/in their row

Overall Feeling of Safety

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

- 1) Feels more unsafe than it used to -theft (items from garage) propane tank
- 2) More stops signs
- 3) No issues w/police – you guys do a good job
- 4) People hanging out in park after hours.
- 5) Officer Turnabull-very patient, customer service oriented
- 6) I feel that the overall safety is feeling safe in the neighborhood and going to stores, events, and walking down the street
- 7) Personal safe violation
- 8) Life & Death
- 9) Walk to car & Feel safe
- 10) Life or Death – What will police do? How will they respond?
- 11) Basic necessities- Rights, food, water, light
- 12) Access to housing
- 13) Start here, then support and + cultures ... can pully participate
- 14) More police!
- 15) This affects life and death – it is paramount
- 16) Freedom from fear when at home or out and about. Able to walk in the streets or parks without fear.

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1) More people need to know about residential smoke detector program.
- 2) Consider adding rentals to program
- 3) Instance where ambulance took forever to get to a call
- 4) That I shouldn't have to look over my shoulders while going to place to place
- 5) Participation in the neighborhoods
- 6) Substance abuse
- 7) CE + Awareness- Volunteers
- 8) Empathy building- especially for the unhoused
- 9) Intergeneration
- 10) Culture exchange
- 11) Complaint based structure?
- 12) Conflict Resolution skills- mediation training
- 13) Defunding CTRPD abolishing qualified immunity not targeting activists
- 14) Community Interaction
- 15) No police brutality
- 16) Neighborhood engagement.
- 17) Relationships among neighbors looking out for one another.

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1) More crisis people rioting with police to go to calls for those that need help with mental Health issues.
- 2) City participation
- 3) support for low income residents
- 4) 988#->non-policies, support+ dispatch
- 5) Community benefit agreements
- 6) Events/Resource Fairs-Welcoming -accessibility, disability support, facilitation, experts in lived experiences, -digestible
- 7) Hype Local
- 8) Familiarity- Based on target population- Kids, etc.
- 9) Defunding CRTPD and investing in human services such as – childcare, education, healthcare, housing, opportunities for mentorship, supporting teachers and paying teachers.
- 10) More social workers in schools
- 11) Find growth restoration practices
- 12) Connectors neighbors to neighbors
- 13) Connections police to neighborhoods
- 14) True incorporation restoration practices GRPS- build community in classrooms between students between staff and students.

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1) It's community wide, organizations should share resources with one another so that it can be streamlined.
- 2) GRPS-start the education young activities
- 3) Contractor list for support – partner with City
- 4) Dispatch resolution centers of West Michigan

Connection & Engagement with the Community

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

- 1) Riverside Park-Day fine at night feels unsafe -Mopeds -Grams
- 2) More Lights – would make it feel safer.
- 3) Creston H+S – Kia Boys
- 4) Bus stops – Cleared of snow & debris – safe to get on and off

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1)

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1) Subway & Choo Choo grill – Homeless individuals vacant properties – Trimming -Trash Pick-up

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1)

Overall Opportunity for Arts, Culture and Education

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

- 1) I think rich people have wonderful access to arts & culture -GRAM, Meijer Gardens, GR Symphony, & opera, etc. There are a lot of arts & culture that could be incorporated into GRPS, via the City hiring artist of all sorts.
- 2) Access to interesting, thought provoking and fun activities!
- 3) Cultural events K-12 education special events/festivals
- 4) Being able to go to different art, events and festivals in the city. Being able to do more activities with Kids in school to help them out with life issues
- 5) More outdoor movies for communities
- 6) Enjoyment
- 7) Fun Development
- 8) Outdoor movies in N'hoods/ Parks/
- 9) Wealthy Street Theater promised to do it at Library, was a great success.
- 10)

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1) After school summer & weekend programs for youth.
- 2) Events that .. I feel represented and respected and where I can learn about other cultures in a respectful way that amplifies other cultures
- 3) Seeing people mingling around the City enjoying the art, festivals and events.
- 4) People who are more respectful honor and pride.
- 5) Know your neighbors
- 6) Families work together
- 7) Group activities -bike ride
- 8) Bringing families and neighbors together
- 9) Families coming together
- 10) More opportunities for kids activities
- 11) Swimming

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1) Yes- there would be contributor to reducing violence
- 2) It would also help our youth get caught up from COVID-related drop in academically achievement.
- 3) Activities after school for kids->year around -> culture,, etc. -> expand on knowledge of things don't learn @school; feel safe @ park
- 4) Art activities/performing arts/creative opps for kids
- 5) Just being able to attract various are, events and festivals into the city every week
- 6) More variety of recreation /Art opportunities.
- 7) Community art classes

- 8) Cultural enrichment (like things @ Meijer Garden)
- 9) Outdoor movies in neighborhood (at churches)
- 10) More convenient classes in neighborhood
- 11) Outdoor movies
- 12) Adult education opportunities
- 13) More variety of enrichment classes
- 14) Activities after school for kids → year round → culture, etc. → expand on knowledge of things don't learn @ school; feel safe @ park
- 15) Art activities/performing arts /creative oppo for kids

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1) Yes-already sated on other side
- 2) Question about Aberdeen school closing ->
- 3) Just connecting all the organizations on who is providing what so there's everyone is not doing the same thing, maybe other organizations can find others alternatives to help out.
- 4) Churches? and Partner
- 5) Wealthy street theater
- 6) Questions about Aberdeen school closing → need
- 7) Feed kids all year round
- 8) Availability of after school programs, kids not getting involved in schools; more programs that are positive for kids
- 9) PB! Great allowing kids to be 13 to vote

Overall Health & Wellness Opportunities

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

- 1) Need health care in other languages
- 2) Set out information about mental health & Languages services via schools; accessibility (not tech words and languages).
- 3) Due to systemic racism, our BIOPOC & low income neighbors are lacking info about how to access help & programs for health & wellness. And AFFORDABILITY & childcare & transportation are also contributing factors.
- 4) Healthcare
- 5) Food
- 6) Mental Health Services
- 7) Accessibility to information for health/mental health services
- 8) Community gardens in parks-free to ppl
- 9) Gansta's Garden in Cali-sidewalk to street
- 10) Garden on condemned /vacant lots or unused parking
- 11) Availability of preventative & mental health
- 12) Being able to get the best healthcare that can be affordable and having more wellness activities there's more opportunities mental health

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1) Food dessert in Creston; worst grocery's store is Fuller & Leonard; hard to get fresh produce. * Hard to get there outside of a car *Kingma's can bike there *Meijer& D&W at Knapp's corner – can't bike there * Ken's Fruit mart on edge
- 2) Green
- 3) Streets
- 4) This Meeting -5:30 to 7:00pm at every City Comm. Mtg 😊
- 5) Afterschool, weekend & summer programs for our youth are essential. Our PB Proposal to address did not make it onto the ballot & scored very high & sample size to small. Informable conversations have confirmed there is a huge need – Creston neighborhood Ward 2
- 6) There are folks from the faith community, the DAAC, schools and other community organizations.
- 7) Having the things, I need to live a happy and healthy life.
- 8) People having access to information re: health/mental health services & resources that are easy to understand
- 9) Spencer & Plainfield food pantry
- 10) Like Kingman's but expensive
- 11) Would like more comm. gardens/fruit tras a few ppl maintain & ppl can harvest for free
- 12) Use gov'n't space & turn sidewalk & road →gardens'
- 13) Children are so hungry
- 14) Swimming pools are great! Briggs in Nice!

- 15) Focus on kids education for parents on mental health- support systems
- 16) Adding grocery stores w/ affordable produce
- 17) There's more opportunities for health care and wellness opportunities

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1) Difficult post-pandemic re-connecting w/ppl via activities
- 2) Fall in gap – too much \$ for programs but not affordable
- 3) Everyone's mentality affected by pandemic Accessible mental health services and quality healthcare available in the language an individual speaks.
- 4) Continued outreach to school age children
- 5) Kids- schools need to help parents understand how to defeat social issues
- 6) Farmers Markets on NE Side -GRPS University a great place!
- 7) Many NE Residents go to Rockford not Fulton Street Market
- 8) Continue to Communicate about opportunities (WE ARE GR → push it out more
- 9) Kids & Mental Health (school-suicidal) -Churches to help
- 10) Farmers Market on the North End
- 11) Reusable/Alternating Hours (1-7)
- 12) North side Farmers Market- Reliable Market *Alternative Hours
- 13) Churches could be leveraged for public greenspace
- 14) Find funding to Kick Start grocery store in "food desserts"
- 15) More funding for healthcare and wellness programs, invest in food pantries, preventive health care, get the word out on these opportunities.

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1) Engaged w/school aged youth in PB process & interested in mental health
- 2) Question about air monitoring, Just Air was shared
- 3) Increase air quality monitoring supported from City
- 4) Food Pantries
- 5) Fruit trees
- 6) Children hungry
- 7) Network 180
- 8) Spectrum health
- 9) Catherin's Health
- 10) Hispanic Center
- 11) Do we offer free swimming lessons for kids
- 12) Church
- 13) Education for parents
- 14) GRPS & Churches. Examples: Children's Hospital workers w/ Merry Free Bed- Alternative shifts, not just mornings.
- 15) Churches
- 16) Children's Hospital/Mary Fee Bed – outreach
- 17) New City

- 18) Brookside Hill CRC
- 19) Network of "Public" Playgrounds on Private property
- 20) Churches, GRPS. Example *Helen Devos collaborating with Merry Free Bed *Facilitated Outreach *Churches are Key to getting community to be the place with mental & physical wellness.
- 21) North End Community wellness
- 22) I feel that all the organizations that this city has can be better organized and utilize if each one knew what each one is doing for the community

Overall Quality of Parks & Recreation Opportunities

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

- 1) Parks are Awesome!! More bike parking would be ideal
- 2) Healthy living
- 3) Families
- 4) Neighbors
- 5) Beauty
- 6) Access to parks of quality & natural diversity
- 7) Safe, maintained parking
- 8) Health & Wellness
- 9) Environmental quality
- 10) Health & wellness w/access to space year round trail
- 11) Access to bathrooms
- 12) Healthy living /Physical creating /sustaining
- 13) Healthy living-Relationships opportunity for people to come together -connections and Communities
- 14) Community & Partnerships- Come together /families
- 15) Safety
- 16) Extension of summer series- outdoor over= winter series
- 17) Sixth & Canal exercise equipment
- 18) Education Workshops for teens
- 19) Could we do something permanent for "ninja warrior"
- 20) Parks are great here; Fams from E. Lansing come to GR for parks but need more infrastructure for bike parking (in parks & else where)
- 21) Access to parks and trails throughout the year with bathrooms! Space for many interests and ages.

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1) People are always at the parks esp. families.
- 2) Safety
- 3) Park lets in open green spaces
- 4) Improvements to walking paths
- 5) Advertising of Facilities
- 6) Neighborhood
- 7) 4 Park or natural area within walking distance of each household
- 8) All parks have bathrooms
- 9) Safe parks
- 10) Well maintained policing
- 11) Lighting
- 12) No tent living
- 13) Access to park

- 14) Safety-physical (equipment & Maintenance) *policed well, lighting, homeless populations
- 15) Access -walkability bus lines
- 16) Easy access- walk, drive
- 17) Good Equipment/Maintenance
- 18) Crime-Police presence
- 19) Lighting
- 20) Tents
- 21) Something always happens at xyz park @ 10:00am on Saturdays- Citizens could know that if they show & something to do
- 22) Seeing people enjoying a clean environment, having fun, and doing different activities that a park can offer
- 23) Good use of parks millage \$ →really makes a difference
- 24) Briggs – see 2x more families after renovation
- 25) Like Hammack poles
- 26) Got a tulip tree rom City →Fantastic
- 27) Leaf Pick up
- 28) Rec apps
- 29) Disc golf
- 30) Parks important
- 31) Native trees
- 32) Variety of trees
- 33) Winding roads
- 34) Neighbor pride in yards
- 35) Groomed trails in winter
- 36) Bathrooms year round
- 37) Water Faucets
- 38) Amenities for all ages

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1) More bike parking
- 2) Parking
- 3) Lighting
- 4) Outdoor fitness summer series extended to indoors & promote healthier lifestyles
- 5) Exercise equipment along walking paths
- 6) Urban forestry education
- 7) Create Ninja Warrior courses consistent times for activities that change on weekly/daily basis
- 8) Ball/Perkins
- 9) Connecting Knapp to Leonard on Pore line
- 10) Bathrooms

- 11) Trash cans
- 12) Dog Park
- 13) Ball Perkins – Parking
- 14) Continued development of space
- 15) Power Lane all the way through the park- connecting Knapp to Leonor); through park
(Safe connections) Pavilion and Bathrooms
- 16) Very happy w/Riverside
- 17) No place to put waste
- 18) Ball Perkins -Parking (access) * Powerline→ Knapp (bike lanes) * Pavilion * Dog
Waste/Trash can @ Trailhead
- 19) Dog Park within
- 20) Play structures in middle of Riverside
- 21) Could we have some program at set time each week
- 22) Restrooms @ each park
- 23) Specifically 55 Monroe (Long-term plan needs to have a bathroom)
- 24) More City ambassadors
- 25) More QR Codes w/ services (N180, Chaterine’s Health Center) @ hammock
pole→throughout parks
- 26) On fixed income- use bin/gas & sill so many →what else can City do
- 27) Do we offer activities for kids at parks- sports leagues, classes, etc.
- 28) Weekly activities @ parks →dancing
- 29) Lighting in some of the sketchy areas (like the trail along the river downtown)... I
realized this probably isn’t a park & rec space.

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1) Neighborhood organizations and associations
- 2) Large employers
- 3) GRBC with lake route connectivity
- 4) Riverside access to play centers and events is horrible
- 5) Nonprofits
- 6) 555 Monroe
- 7) Dog Parks Challenges w/ safety
- 8) Dog Parks w/in Ball Perkins
- 9) Stop using chemicals in parks __>grass kids playing there
- 10) Prairie mwj @ Fair plains cemetery is awesome – Joe presented → will create paths
through it __>more of this & less pesticides
- 11) Disc golf turned pro& not accessible to entry level folks
- 12) Briggs & Abordeen are nice
- 13) Impressed w/ availability of parks
- 14) Not much discussion desired on rec offerings
- 15) Utilize neighborhood associations!
- 16) Residents want to get involved

Overall Quality of the Natural Environment

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

- 1) Spending time in nature is one of the best things I do for my mental health
- 2) Snow removal sidewalks
- 3) Keeping the neighborhood businesses and other areas cleaner than having all the trash that is laying around
- 4) There's a lot of trash all over Grand Rapids, especially around business
- 5) Keeping up & improving quality of environments; recycling, solar more trees
- 6) Wants composting pick-up
- 7) Ottawa county has a composting program drop-off site
- 8) Offer support to human health
- 9) Important to overall ecosystem health

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1) Food waste composting -desire for City to offer more
- 2) Composting services too expensive
- 3) Have solar; want more opps to have more solar- affordable housing co-op opps; recognize obstacles w / CE
- 4) Community solar is illegal-need to make changes @ state law
- 5) Plant more trees; like cooperation w/FGRP
- 6) Communication is frustrating; if 5 ppl then will get five trees & watering
- 7) Increased wind & solar use
- 8) Kent county club (@Plainfield, Knapp, College)
- 9) Clean business area and neighborhood more neighborhood clean ups
- 10) More trees planted
- 11) Improving natural area of existing parks
- 12) Natural areas
- 13) Habitat in private property too

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1) Restoration of native landscapes can easily be integrated on the side of parks to make habitat for insects butterflies and critters
- 2) Air Quality monitors
- 3) Finish Ball & Perking park improvements
- 4) Compost pick up, similar to yard waste or drop off
- 5) Encourage people to develop natural areas on their property though city codes

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1) Kent county parks!
- 2) Friends of GR Parks
- 3) Can we use pace in middle of round about for some beneficial
- 4) State legislature →community solar & incentive for homeowners

Overall Quality of the Transportation System

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

- 1) Feeling safe when I travel-be it by car, foot or bicycle Parking
- 2) Flow of traffic
- 3) Ease of walking
- 4) Bike riding lanes
- 5) Street view of walkers & bikers
- 6) Traffic signals
- 7) Street repair
- 8) Street cleaning
- 9) Street walking lights
- 10) Snow removal
- 11) Street cleaning in the fall in Riverside Garden's would be awesome
- 12) Commuting to work or living life without the need to use a car
- 13) Reducing dependence on cars & increasing bike-ability & walk-ability
- 14) Availability, accessibility of low-emissions travel (buses, bike lanes, sidewalks)
- 15) Very important. The commute affects daily quality of life.
- 16) Well maintained streets plus good walk ability (particularly on connector streets) and bike access
- 17) Connectivity
- 18) Access
- 19) Equality of access
- 20) Public bus system *Need to go all electric *Routing everything to downtown bus station is silly Needs different strategy
- 21) SPEEDING
- 22) Drive nice or pay the price
- 23) More crosswalks!!!

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1) Safe sidewalks and streets
- 2) Sidewalk maintenance on major streets (Plainfield, Leonard) After plows shoot snow
- 3) It means getting by and around the City without needing to use a car
- 4) Increased bike parking & connectivity to west side of city
- 5) Expanding to improving sidewalks & bike lanes
- 6) Gaps in sidewalks along streets are eliminated
- 7) Zero traffic fatalities
- 8) No place to park at Monroe & Leonard NE to pick up the DASH bus.

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1) Bicycle friendly infrastructure
- 2) Sidewalk maintenance on major streets (Plainfield, Leonard) After plows shoot snow
- 3) Bike infrastructure

- 4) Rapid increase in frequency of rides
- 5) Bike parking
- 6) Covered bus stops/garbage cans @ bus stops
- 7) Sidewalk improvements on Plainfield
- 8) Lime parking on the top of College Ave between RR & Leonard
- 9) Driver's education
- 10) More sidewalks
- 11) Complete sidewalk on Perkins up to Knapp
- 12) Pedestrian crossing on Leonard between Ball & Plymouth
- 13) Traffic calming
- 14) Improved bike routes -you don't have to have a bike lane to have a bike route
- 15) Anything to lower carbon emissions
- 16) More on time and more buses
- 17) More bike racks

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1) Lime
- 2) City of Kentwood
- 3) City of Wyoming
- 4) MDOT-Knapp St bridge (over 196) redo – add new rest areas
- 5) Neighborhood Association and GR Climate Coalition

Overall Quality of Utility Infrastructure

What does this factor mean to you, personally?

- 1) Affordability, ease of use & ease of payment
- 2) Odd even parking (311)

What does success in this area look like in your neighborhood?

- 1) Lead free water, consistent service /reliability
- 2) Pilot sidewalk plowing
- 3) Sidewalk stickup call 311

Are there projects or areas where investments could make a difference?

- 1)

Are there other organizations that can contribute to success?

- 1)