

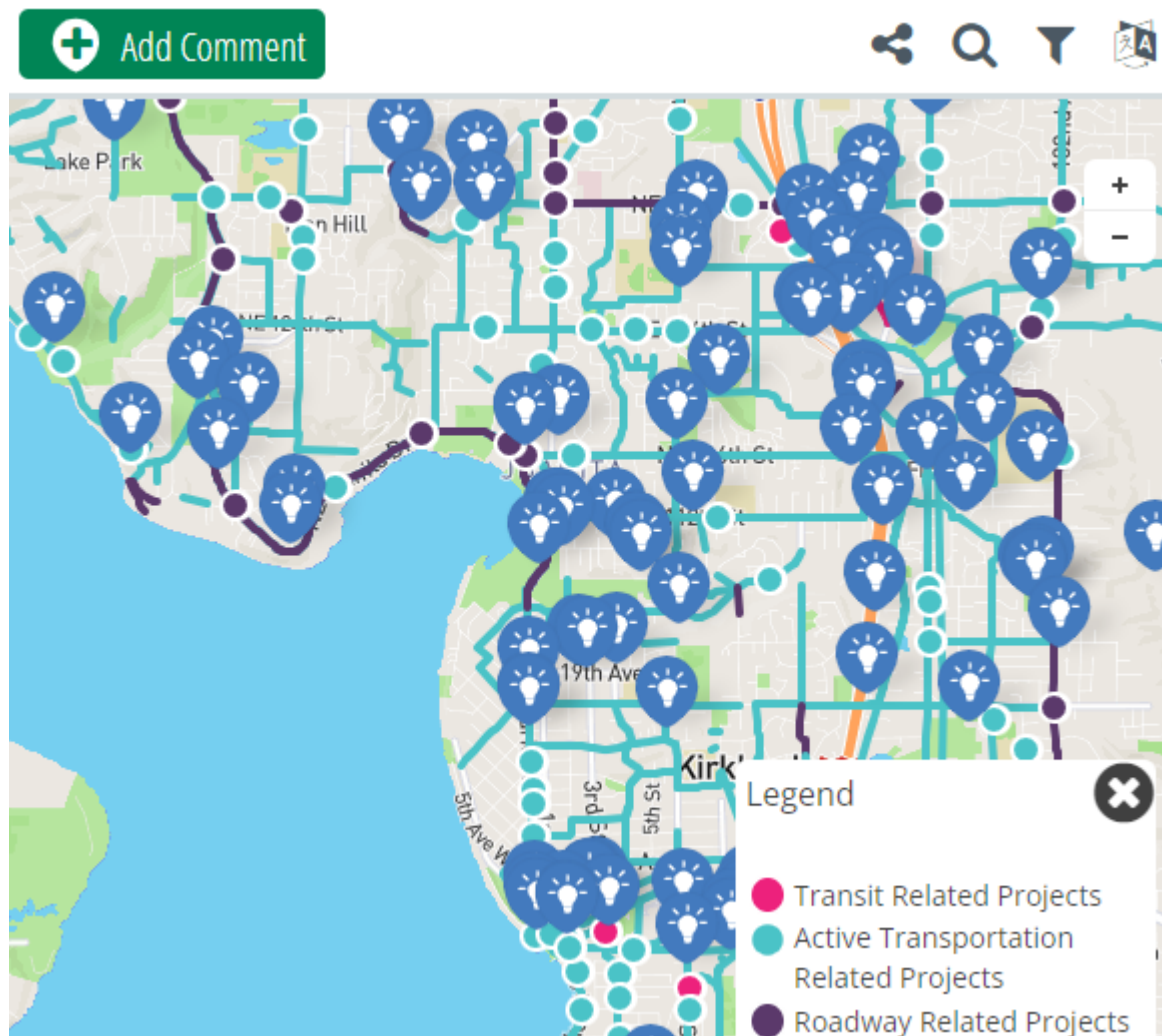
## Transportation Strategic Plan (TSP) Public Engagement Web-map

### RESULTS SUMMARY

A 20-year project list is a required component of the Transportation Element and of the Capital Facilities Element (CFP) of the Comprehensive Plan. It is a set of projects that is estimated at a high level to be funded within reasonably expected revenues. This will become the ‘fiscally constrained’ project list for the next 20-years and will be prioritized for local and external funding.

Over 450 projects have been identified as candidates for future capital projects. A public engagement map was launched between February 5 and February 29, 2024. The map allowed the community to review projects, comment on projects, show support for or opposition to projects, and suggest new projects that were not already captured. Overall, there were over 1,204 unique users who made 2,655 reactions in the form of likes/ dislikes and comments.

[Kirkland's Transportation Project Engagement Map | Social Pinpoint \(mysocialpinpoint.com\)](#)



## COMMENTS AND REACTIONS RECEIVED:

The map had two ways for people to comment:

1. Select a project from the map and like, dislike (I don't like it) and/ or make a comment about the project
2. Add a point on a map with a specific comment. Others had the opportunity to like or dislike any comment.

There were 2,350 responses (referred to as 'reactions') with 1,928 'likes', 315 'dislikes' and 358 specific comments on 196 projects (some projects had up to 6 comments). People were not required to like or dislike a project to leave a comment.

441 projects had some sort of reaction:

- 6 projects had more than 20 reactions (the highest was 30)
- 56 projects had between 10-19 reactions
- 260 projects had 3-9 reactions
- 119 projects had 1-2 reactions

## Reactions to Projects in Webmap:

- Projects with the **most reactions**:
  - Raised crosswalk at the Kirkland Transit Center - 22 likes, 6 dislikes and 5 comments mostly focusing on not wanting new turn restrictions (which this project would not impose)
  - NE 132nd St Multimodal Corridor (100th Ave NE to I-405) project - 21 likes and 1 unlike with three additional comments that were generally supportive.
- Projects with the **highest positive reactions**:
  - Lake Washington Boulevard Promenade – while the actual project didn't get as many likes or dislikes, a separate comment advocating for this and the connections to the SR 520 trail garnered 68 likes and 5 dislikes
  - 5th Ave Trail (6th St to CKC) – 19 likes and three additional comments (all likes)
  - Juanita Drive at NE 132<sup>nd</sup> St Intersection Improvements – 18 likes, 1 dislike and one comment (bike/ped safety focused)
  - There were 406 additional projects where the likes outweighed the dislikes
- Projects with the **highest negative reactions**:
  - New signal at 108<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and NE 53<sup>rd</sup> St – 12 dislikes, 3 likes and four additional comments mostly expressing concern a new signal would cause more delay (related to the 108<sup>th</sup> Ave Transit Queue Jump project)
  - A new roadway connection adjacent to the CKC between 120th Ave NE to 120th PL NE (identified in [Citywide Transportation Connections](#)) – 10 dislike, 4 like and one additional comment (all dislikes)
  - Aside from the above two projects, 16 additional projects were more negative than positive by one or two reactions

- Projects with **mixed opinions**:
  - 90th Ave NE/ NE 134th St mini roundabout – 16 likes, 11 dislikes and 4 additional comments (dislikes noting concerns for large vehicle space, need and icy conditions)
  - Juanita Dr/ NE 138th roundabout option – 9 likes, 7 dislikes
  - NE 70th Street / 122nd Ave NE roundabout – 7 likes, 4 dislikes

#### Additional Comments:

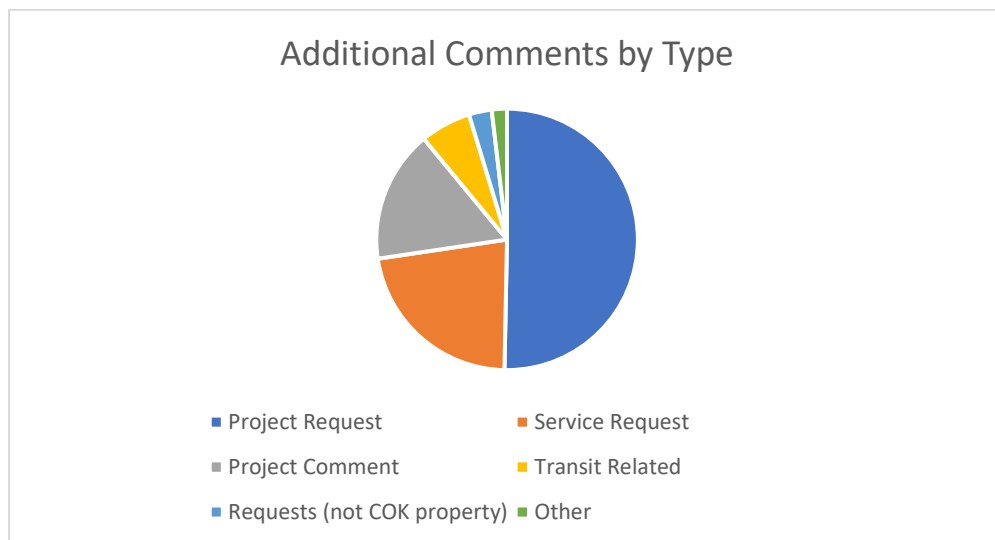
There were 328 additional comments made in the map. Those were all reviewed by transportation staff and categorized into themes: Support of an existing project, potential for a future capital project, service requests, those outside of Kirkland’s jurisdiction, transit related or other (not project related).

- Comments labeled as **Project Requests** may become a future candidate through the City’s capital improvement program.
- Comments labeled as a **Service Request** will be managed through the City's day to day programs such as site distance evaluations, speeding concerns, street maintenance, etc.

All comments/suggestions will require additional transportation and engineering review.

There were some additional comments that received a lot of additional reactions:

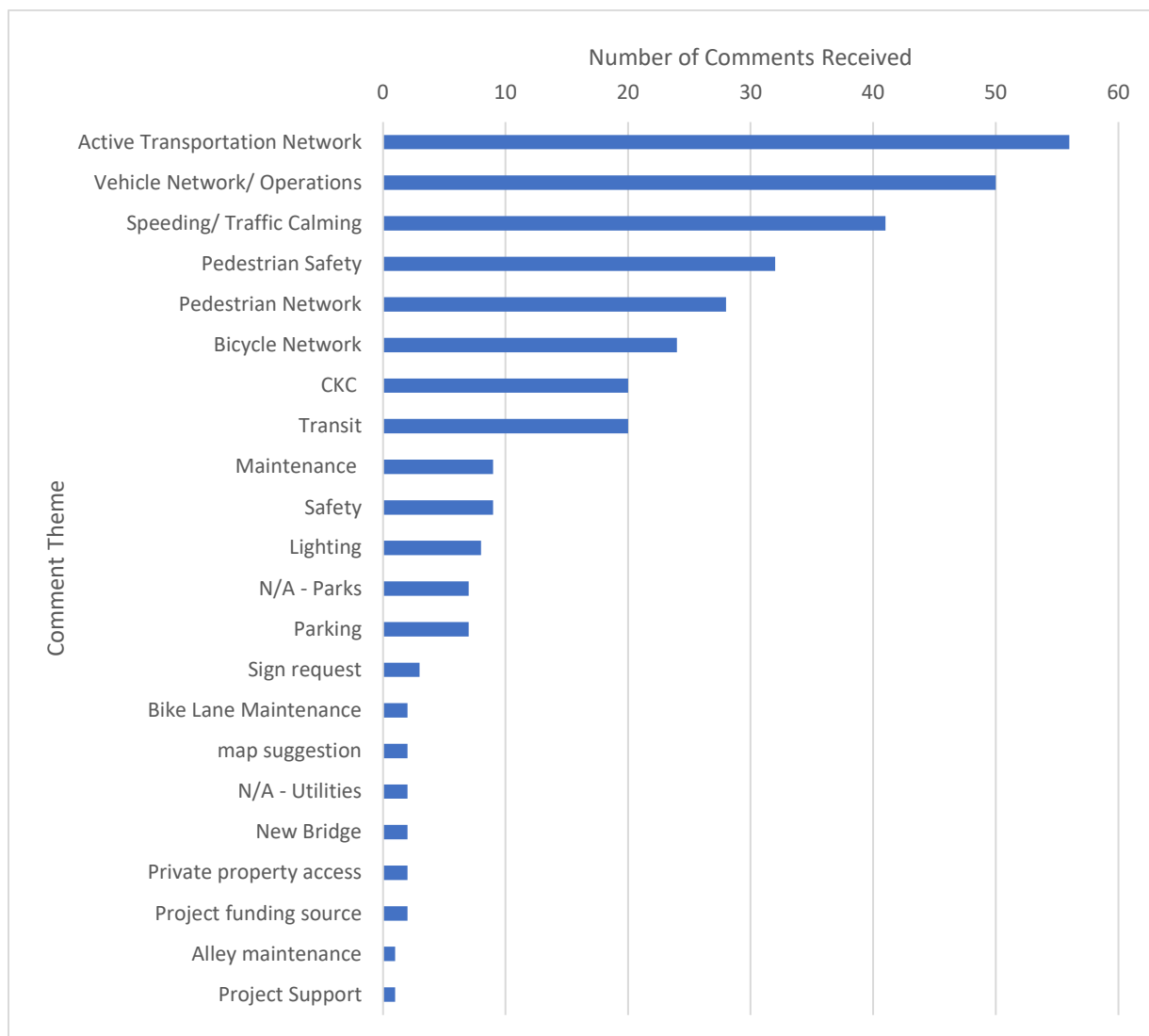
- Request for traffic calming at 16th Ave W & 6th St (Market neighborhood) – 93 likes and 2 dislikes
- Comment related to traffic calming on Central Way – 52 likes and 5 dislikes
- Lack of compliance with the no-turn on red sign at the NE 116<sup>th</sup> St/ 98<sup>th</sup> Ave NE intersection – 49 likes, 3 dislikes



| Comment Type    | Count |
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| Project Request | 160   |

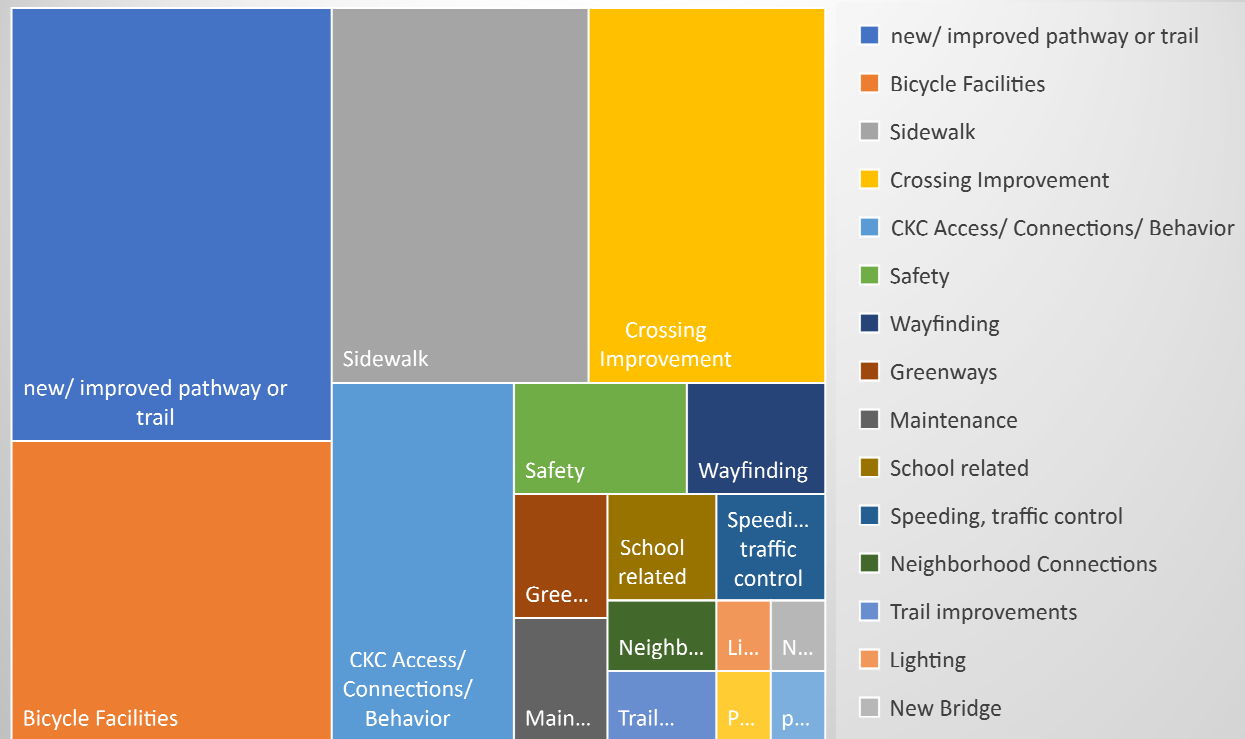
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| Service Request             | 71 |
| Project Comment             | 52 |
| Transit Related             | 20 |
| Requests (not COK property) | 9  |
| Other                       | 6  |

Most of the comments received were related to walking and bicycling. Comments labeled as 'Active Transportation' referenced both modes. The combined total for Active Transportation, Pedestrian Safety and Networks, Bicycle Networks and the CKC amounted to 162 comments (almost half of the total comments received).

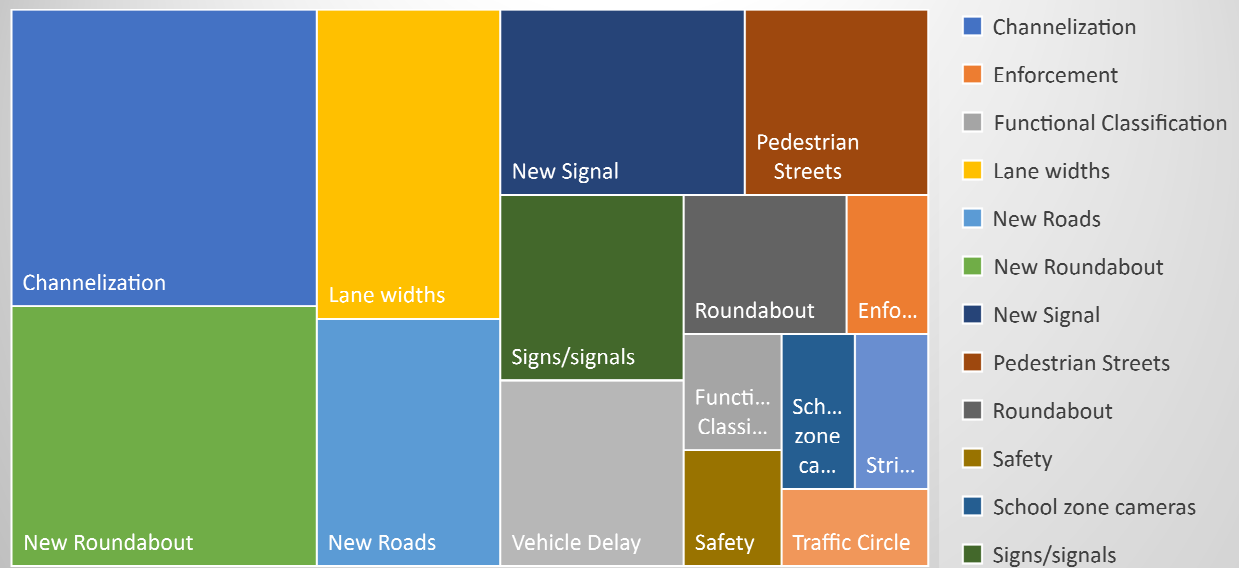


The charts below show some of the sub-categories for some of the highest themed comments:

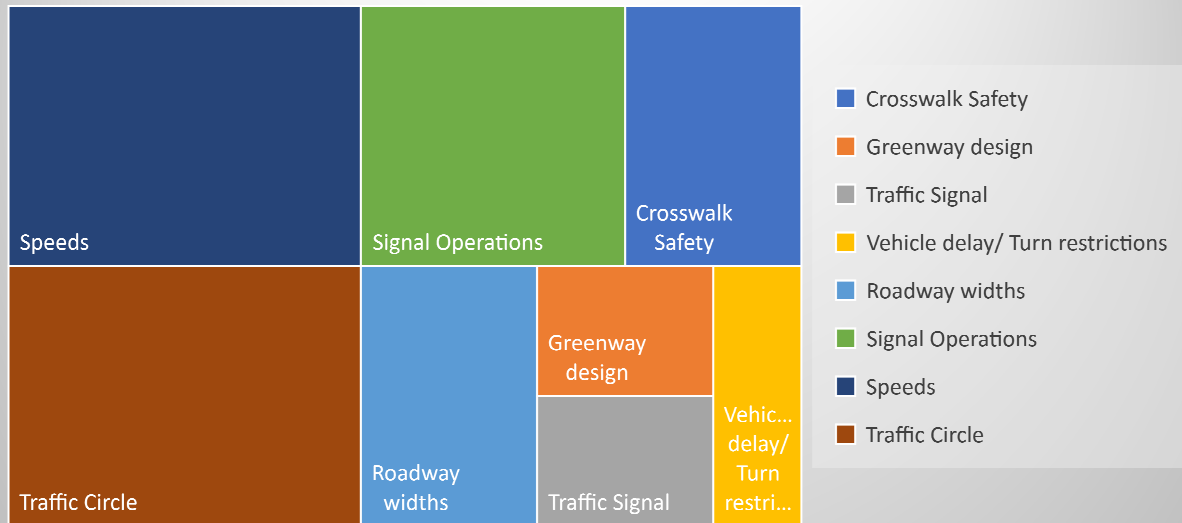
## Comments related to Walking/ Bicycling



## Comments Related to Vehicle Network Operations



## Comments Related to Speeding and Traffic Calming



### Summary:

The public engagement and input received on the TSP informs the development and refinement of the 20-year project list for the TSP by providing staff and decisionmakers with valuable insights and information about community preferences. Specifically, data regarding the draft project list helps to identify gaps the community believes exist in the project list, broad themes about community priorities, how well the community supports individual projects, and other operational concerns in the transportation system.

As the City Council and Transportation Commission continue to review elements of the TSP and as staff work toward a draft TSP, the community engagement data will be an invaluable part of the process to refine the 20-year project list.