



**Boca Ratan Drive Questionnaire Results – September 2022**

A total of 88 responses were received.

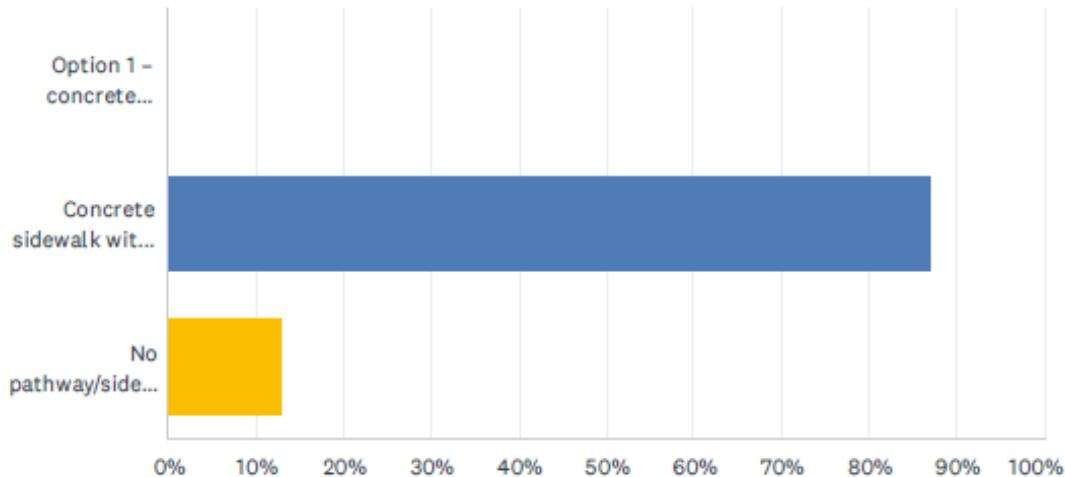
**Q1 Please provide your name and property address.**

Answered: 88 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Name:	100.00%	88
Property Address:	100.00%	88

**Q2 After reviewing the pathway alternative concepts, which option is your preference?**

Answered: 85 Skipped: 3



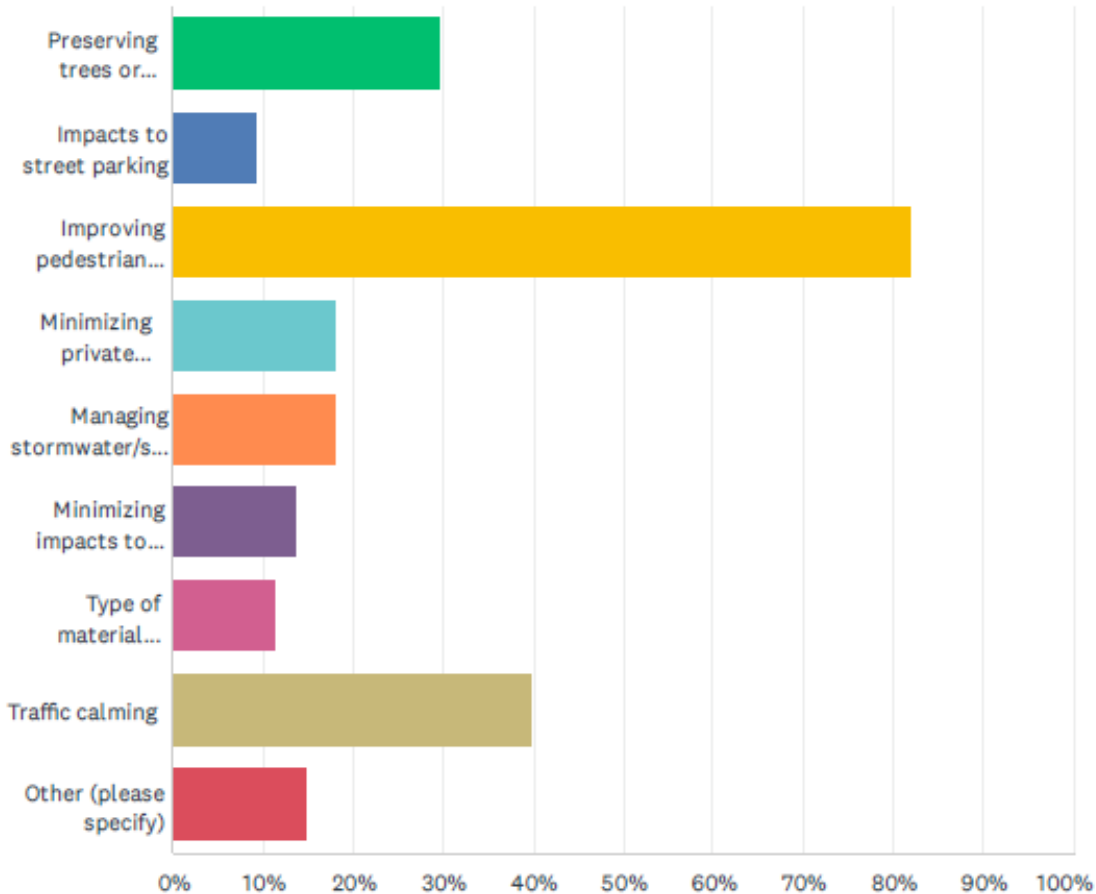
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Option 1 – concrete sidewalk with a concrete curb, following a portion of the existing pathway, located within the existing right-of-way	0.00%	0
Concrete sidewalk with a concrete curb, narrowing the width of the street by adding in the new sidewalk	87.06%	74
No pathway/sidewalk improvements	12.94%	11
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>85</b>



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Q3 What is your preference based on? (Please select the top three)

Answered: 88 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Preserving trees or minimizing impacts to trees	29.55%	26
Impacts to street parking	9.09%	8
Improving pedestrian safety	81.82%	72
Minimizing private property impacts/driveways	18.18%	16
Managing stormwater/street runoff	18.18%	16
Minimizing impacts to landscaping in the right-of-way	13.64%	12
Type of material (concrete or asphalt)	11.36%	10
Traffic calming	39.77%	35
Other (please specify)	14.77%	13
Total Respondents: 88		

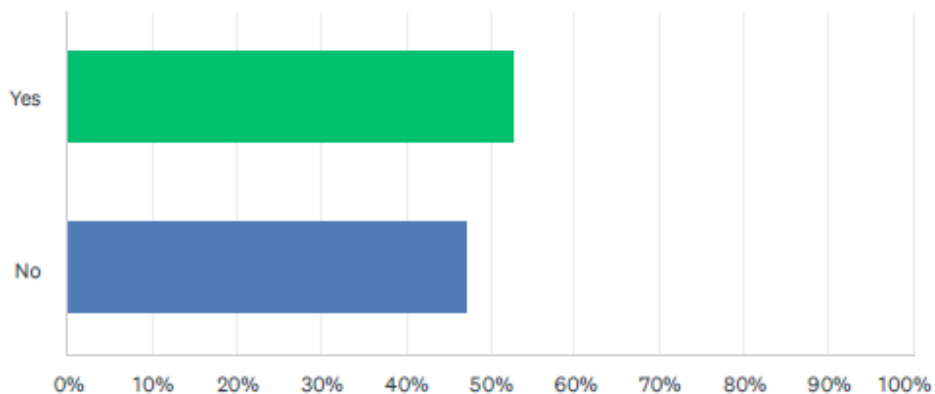


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Other (please specify)	
1	I ride bike most days, less space for cars and bikes is more dangerous than the current situation
2	It's a nice wide street where the traffic proceeds slowly. No change is needed.
3	PLEASE TRIM ALL VEGETATION BACK TO ORIGINAL STREET CURB
4	People drive much too fast on this street, making it feel very unsafe when walking here - is there any way to slow cars down here?
5	need to increase the number of students who can walk to school - need to address the best combination of busing and walking to school options and get away from all the families driving. There will be an adjustment period.
6	I would not narrow the street in question 2
7	Improving livability for our entire neighborhood
8	Take some space from the street and some from properties
9	This is totally a waste of taxpayer money and make the road much more narrow. Also there is very little school foot traffic on Boca Ratan. In essence a total waste of money!!!!!!!!!!
10	Don't see a big benefit in safety for this short street. Cutting back shrubbery at Boca Ratan/Atwater corner would help safety a lot.
11	Running
12	Vehicles do not honor the pathways if they are not separated. I realize it is a kind of safety issue but a distinctive element.
13	New concrete sidewalk will make a consistent walking surface that is easier to walk on than existing surfaces.

**Q4 Do you feel the need for a stop sign at the intersection of Boca Ratan Drive and Bonniebrae Drive?**

Answered: 87 Skipped: 1



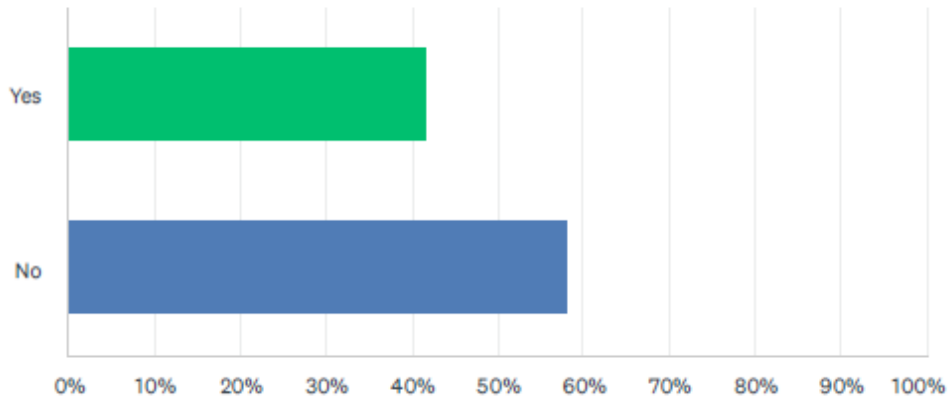
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	52.87% 46
No	47.13% 41
Total Respondents: 87	



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### Q5 Would you like the City to explore further use of traffic calming options along Boca Ratan Drive?

Answered: 86 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	41.86% 36
No	58.14% 50
Total Respondents: 86	

Q6	Is there anything else you would like to share with us about the proposed pathway on Boca Ratan Drive?
1	Stop sign at Boca Ratan Drive & Bonniebrae Drive is needed; however, it would also be beneficial at the 3-way intersection of "Atwater Drive & Boca Ratan Drive" to assist with traffic flow and pedestrian safety, especially at night time. The double yellow is a nice improvement, reflectors or "nipples" would also help to dissuade people from drifting over the lines like they do. Also, how will the proposed sidewalk changes impact the existing concrete sidewalk which today composes a portion of our front walkway, it is a single piece today.
2	For more than 12 years I have walked this road for exercise one or more times a week, all year around. The folks here value and maintain their yards. And walking in the street does not feel safe, especially on the curve (at the address shown in the photo). I also drive this road regularly. I approve of the plan to narrow the street.
3	Very excited about this as we and the kids would definitely walk to town and Forest Hills more often if it feel safer for pedestrians on Boca Raton
4	The current situation isn't great but making the roadway smaller makes it more dangerous for cyclists, it's just a tough situation without doing imminent domain takes
5	I like this idea of connecting a safe corridor. Lots of people walk Boca Ratan everyday, including kids for school, and hikers to loop routes around Tryon Creek Park. There are already some sidewalks, let's do more to connect this, even if it's a mix of trail to sidewalk. There are dangerous blind corners and hills with people and animals on the road. It's a matter of time before there is a really bad outcome.



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6	Adding a sidewalk would certainly improve pedestrian safety as long as no one is walking from the other direction—then someone is back in the street. The main issues on this road are 1) vegetation encroachment onto the road, 2) poor sight lines due to vegetation growing on properties (bamboo stand between Tippecanoe and Pebble Beach is particularly egregious), 3) pedestrians walking with their backs to the traffic (of course, this is endemic to LO for reasons that cannot be comprehended), and 4) drivers not maintaining their lane through curves, and then repeat 1, 2, 3, and 4 ad nauseum. I walk this road several times a week. It has plenty of room for pedestrians that know how to walk on a road safely, if the vegetation is dealt with on BOTH sides of the road. A sidewalk would help, but not sure why it will come at the expense of the road width. I thought there were easements on property fronts for sidewalks.....
7	In 40 years of walking on Boca Ratan I have always felt safe because the street is so wide. When I approach the couple of blind curves I simply cross to the safer side of the street.
8	I am a licensed civil engineer and walk Boca Raton daily. think that pedestrian safety can be improved by two or three additional speed bumps, signs advising walker to face oncoming traffic and a short period of traffic enforcement to make drivers more aware of the situation. Spend the money elsewhere!
9	PLEASE TRIM TREES, BERRY VINES, BUSHES, AWAY FROM CURBS. OVERGROWN VEGETATION FORCES PEOPLE TO WALK IN THE STREET. SO DANGEROUS.
10	The intersection of Atwater and Boca Raton is confusing, especially for pedestrians who don't understand the change in right of way (i.e. Atwater to Boca Raton). Pedestrians don't know where to look for oncoming traffic. At a minimum, a crosswalk would be nice to focus pedestrian traffic in one place. School bus stops are on Boca Raton for Atwater homes up the hill and kids have to cross this unmarked intersection.
11	Please make walking here safer for pedestrians
12	My wife walks/bikes our 1st grader to Forest Hills Elem. here every day. I shared our feedback at the first town meeting and this design (#2) captures all of the residents’ feedback and concerns well. My wife and I fully support this proposal; pedestrian safety on Boca Ratan has been a huge issue for us. I said ‘yes’ to stop sign because some kind of control is needed; the right of way is not clear to most of us who drive that T intersection since we recognize Boca Ratan as the de-facto thoroughfare. Plus cars need the visual cue to watch for pedestrians. But I’d rather see a Yield sign than a full stop. I have twice, in 2 years, come to that intersection with 3 vehicles simultaneously, where all 3 of us hesitated on what to do.
13	What is the meaning of a public right of way if property owners can encroach on it without consequence?
14	A few speed bumps would help.
15	A Boca Ratan pathway must be constructed. It is absolutely essential, improving safety and livability of this neighborhood for schoolchildren, for seniors, indeed for all of us.
16	Thank you for addressing this safety issue!
17	There are two really big blind spots and risk to pedestrians on Boca Ratan
18	Thank you!
19	Would love to have speed bumps added.



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20	Since the decision has been made not to make Boca Ratan safe for pedestrians and especially children going to school, I hope you still read comments. Once again NIMBY trumps public safety. As one can tell by all the cars at Forest Hills School children are unable to walk either due to disability, fragility or preciousness. Despite the huge school buses driving routes every school day. Perhaps the city could have intermittent conversations with pedestrians on Boca Ratan and make clear that walking should be closer to the curbs and not in the roadway Perhaps the city/LOPD can drop the road speed to 20 mph and enforce the speed limit Perhaps a safe route to school could be determined with guidance on which side of the street to be on since there is a sidewalk from Atwater on the east side of Boca Ratan until 560. The crossing of Boca Ratan is hazardous since pedestrians are not expected to be crossing the street to walk facing traffic when heading north from Atwater to Bonnie Brae on Boca Ratan. Perhaps live in LO is lucky since no one has been taken out by a car on Boca Ratan. Yet. And I do walk on Boca Ratan often either walking the dog or walking on errands.
21	Some properties have steep drop-offs and need security fencing between the sidewalk and the drop-off. Would prefer the sidewalks be concrete and not asphalt. Mailboxes need to be relocated next to the curb.
22	Inattentive pedestrians are more of a hazard than the vehicular traffic.
23	Safety for kids is imperative. A side walk would provide that kids can walk safely to school along Boca Ratan.
24	Please add a pathway that is pedestrian friendly!
25	Narrowing the road to allow the path will help slow the traffic. The path would improve pedestrian safety immensely. Currently some of the curves are just plain scary as a pedestrian.
26	Surprising the walkway is on the side chosen. Would be safer on the other side of the road, I think. Also, then the parking would be on the side with all the homes. But also works as chosen.
27	I think pathway is very important to myself and all others in neighborhood who walk daily.
28	If there is room for street parking on one side or the other it seems safer to have the parking next to the sidewalk. A stop sign at the intersection of Boca Ratan and Bonnie brea would be much appreciated. Cars speed around that corner often. Visibility is not the greatest and deer will walk the route (from my back yard, across Boca-they do this both in the mornings and at dusk, so do coyotes) and with the cars going around that corner so fast one is bound to find the other soon. A dog was hit there a few years ago.
29	Please add the pathway as soon as you can. And be careful to incorporate home owners's driveways and help to replant the front yard landscapes. Thank you.
30	Mirrors and blinking lights w/ speed monitors that tell drivers to slow down and what their speed is. This is a very windy road and from living on it we see and know people who drive it like a race track and don't care about pedestrians. With that in mind, while there are speed bumps at the flat part of the street before it goes up, right at our house in fact, people take off and hit the accelerator. There should be another speed bump or sign around that area. We have young children and there are lots of young families and walkers and hikers using street. Also, trees need to be cut back on the sharp corners as you can't see only can hear them coming from a distance which is also dangerous. Regarding parking, this should probably be thought out so as not to cause people to cross over the lines as that's what's happening on the wider parts of street...again right at our address.
31	Would be good to limit street parking on at least one side - if not both- with applicable "no parking" signage especially on narrower portions. Trees/ limbs should be cut back for better visibility. Low posted speed limits
32	Should be on the east side of Boca Ratan where several sidewalks are already in front of homes. Worst spot at the north end of Boca at the T. Must walk out blindly into traffic at the corner especially if cars are parked in front of the corner house.
33	Sections of sidewalk on the blind curves and corners would greatly improve safety if the sidewalk did not narrow the street.



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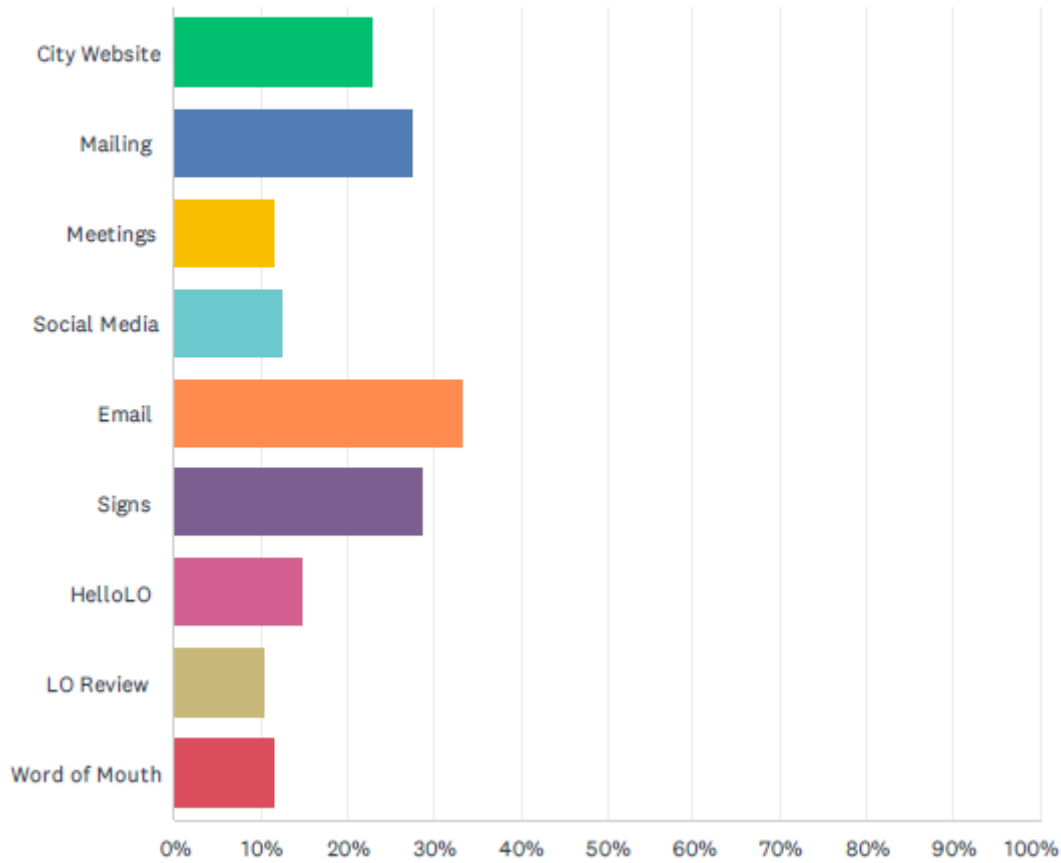
34	I am a huge fan of this plan. It will help make our neck of the neighborhood more neighborly & act as a pedestrian artery for the neighborhoods to the north. I hope you consider adding a stop sign for the Atwater-BocaRatan intersection.
35	Thank you for pursuing this! I've been concerned about my child walking to school without a sidewalk.
36	Please make pedestrian safety the number one top priority.
37	We would love to preserve street parking in front of our home if possible
38	We appreciate ensuring pedestrian safety. There are a number of hills and blind curves and turns and and a spear Ted system is needed.
39	Installing a path from the current curb inward toward the houses on Boca Ratan would be a bad idea because it would require the removal of too many trees, ruin too many yards, and interfere with many residents' longstanding use of that area. A pathway from the current curb out, narrowing the street, would be amazing. It will serve dual purposes by both calming traffic and providing a safe walkway. The route is an important pedestrian connection for Forest Highlands residents. It is regularly used for many purposes, including completing a popular loop between the Iron Mountain and Red Fox Hills entrances to Tryon. But please don't install a bunch of lights like are along D Ave.
40	Generally speaking don't support anything that makes traffic slower or further takes away from the rights of drivers for rabid bicyclists.
41	I feel very unsafe walking to Atwater and on into downtown as it is now and really appreciate this plan. Thank you
42	Like the idea of a narrowed road to, hopefully, slow traffic. That said I would love to slow down the traffic on Atwater. We're lucky - already have a sidewalk But the road is wide and the grade encourages speed (both ways).
43	No
44	I think this is a great idea. It will massively improve pedestrian safety and comfort (especially for kids walking to school). I don't really care about the loss of parking on Boca Ratan, but any negatives the neighborhood may experience from the loss of parking will be vastly outweighed by the traffic calming effect of narrowing the street. It's a win-win.
45	We are very excited to have the side walk and can't wait for the project to be completed. It will make it a lot safer for people to walk along the street.



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### Q7 How did you hear about this questionnaire?

Answered: 87 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City Website	22.99%	20
Mailing	27.59%	24
Meetings	11.49%	10
Social Media	12.64%	11
Email	33.33%	29
Signs	28.74%	25
HelloLO	14.94%	13
LO Review	10.34%	9
Word of Mouth	11.49%	10
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Q8 If the City or project team needs clarifications on any of your input, please provide your email and phone number (optional)

Answered: 74 Skipped: 14

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Phone Number	81.08%	60
Email Address	98.65%	73