



Community Priorities Survey

Sondage sur les priorités communautaires

Results summary — 41 responses, June 3 – August 16, 2026

41

total responses / réponses totales

40

named a specific issue or location

9

opted in for ongoing involvement

Methodology & respondent snapshot

Méthodologie et profil des répondants

An open, self-selected community survey — not a scientific poll. Collected June 3 – August 16, 2026.

18

responses in the first week
(June 3–7)

9

responses in a mid-August
second wave

Both bursts line up with promotion pushes.

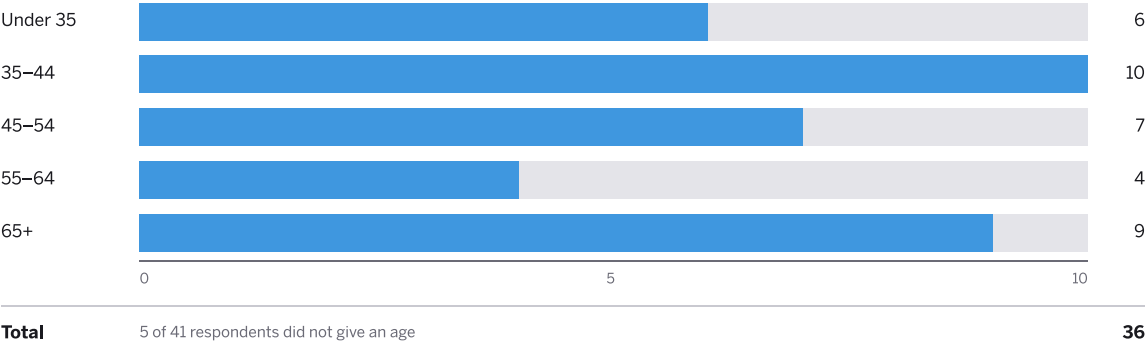
23/41

shared what the OCA should advocate for

9/41

opted in with an email for future involvement

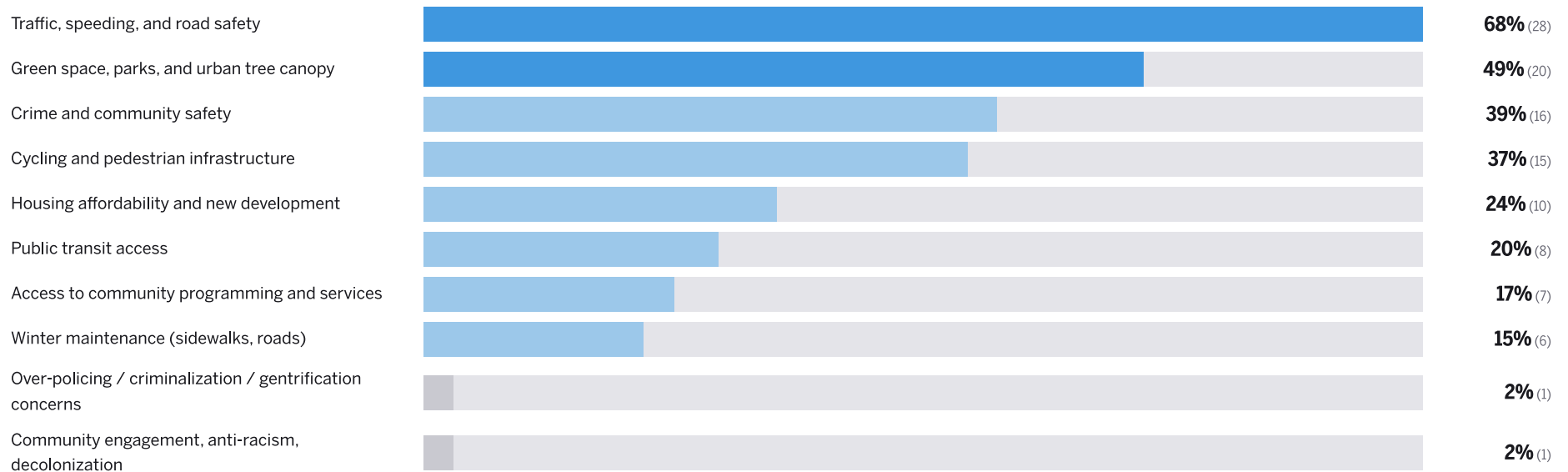
AGE BREAKDOWN (N=36) — RANGE 29–81, MEDIAN 45



Top community priorities

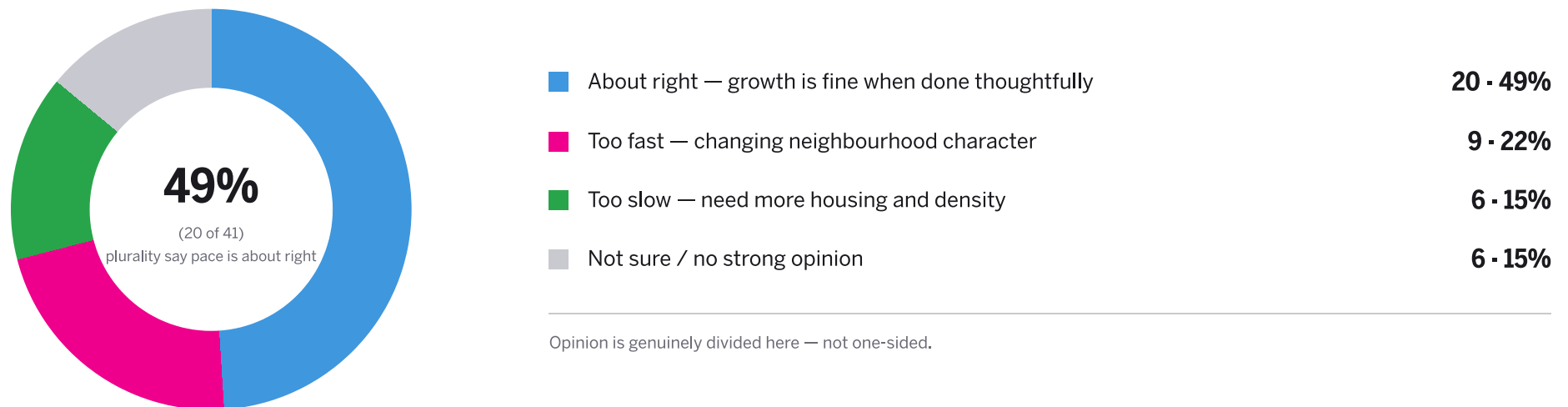
Principales priorités communautaires — choix multiples, jusqu'à 3

Respondents could select up to 3 issues. % of 41 total respondents.



Pace of new development

Rythme du nouveau développement



Opinion is genuinely divided here — not one-sided.

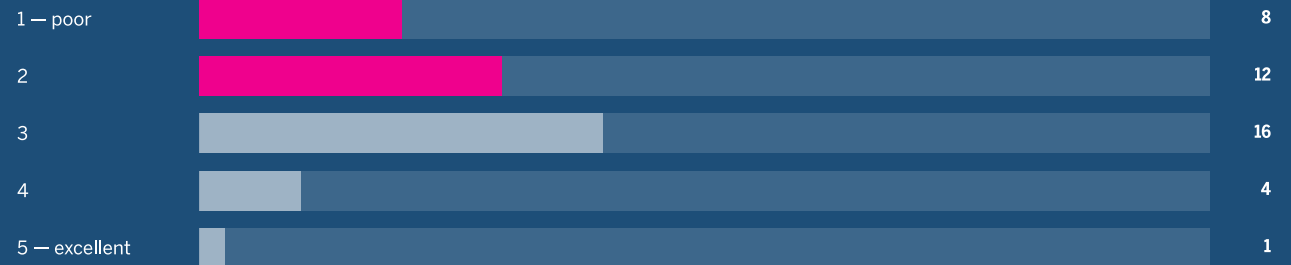
City consultation before approving development

Consultation municipale avant l'approbation de projets

2.46

average rating out of 5

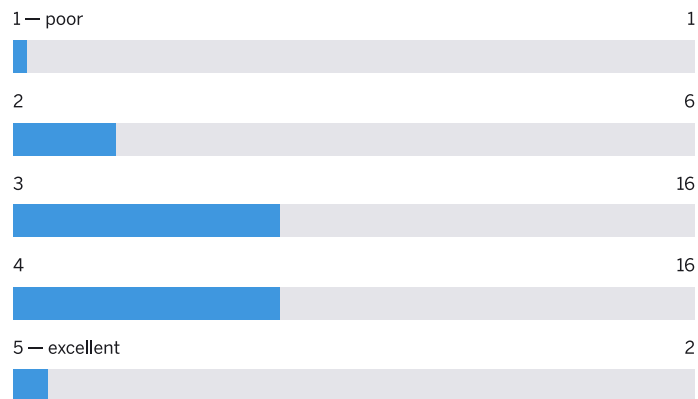
49% of respondents rated it a 1 or 2 (20 of 41) — poor



Satisfaction with city services

Satisfaction à l'égard des services municipaux

Roads, snow removal, parks, waste — 1–5 scale.



Middling, clustered in the 3–4 range — no strong dissatisfaction signal.

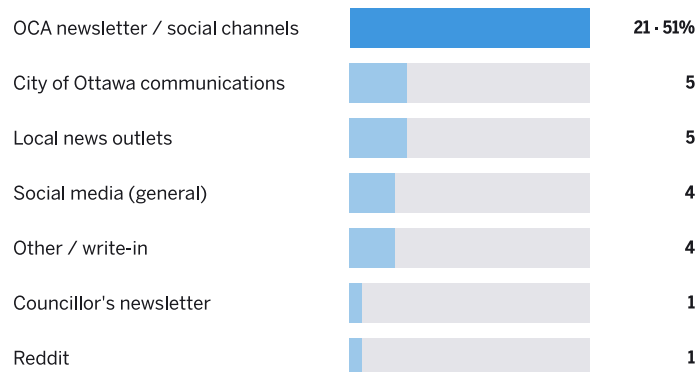
3.29 average — city services

2.46 average — development consultation

Residents are split on the pace of development, but 20 of 41 rate the consultation process poor and only 5 rate it 4 or 5.

How residents want to stay informed

Comment les résidents veulent être informés



51%

21 of 41 respondents (51%) say the OCA's newsletter and social channels are their first source of information. The survey was shared through those same channels, so this likely overstates reach, but it shows an engaged core audience.

Traffic & safety hotspots

Points chauds — circulation et sécurité

Queen Mary Street

9

Stop-sign violations, speeding, dangerous crossings; intersection with North River Rd and Vanier Parkway

Donald Street

9

Speeding, bike lane gaps, crosswalk requests; intersection with Vanier Parkway and Glynn

North River Road

8

Used as a cut-through, speeding, illegal turns

Lola Street

6

Missed stops, speeding, bike lane requests

Vanier Parkway intersections

6

Multiple mentions across corridor intersections

Riverside Memorial Park

2

Fencing, traffic nearby, family use

OTHER NAMED LOCATIONS

Presland Road / Park

3

Snow clearing, encampments nearby

St. Laurent Blvd

1

30-storey development

Counts are respondents naming each location. Entries overlap (e.g., Queen Mary's includes the North River and Vanier intersections), so totals aren't additive.

Green space & development concerns

Espaces verts et préoccupations liées au développement

49% (20 of 41)

named green space, parks, and urban tree canopy a top priority — the second most-selected issue overall, after traffic.

Requests to protect mature tree canopy and address invasive species as infill development continues.

Support for more density and family-sized housing, paired with a clear ask for sustainable building practices and thoughtful design.

10/41 (24%) named housing affordability and new development directly among their top priorities.

What we heard

Ce que nous avons entendu

"Despite signs and speed bumps, it continues to be unsafe."

"...nos enfants jouent souvent à proximité de nos immeubles et leur sécurité pourrait être mise en danger."

"I am pro density to create more affordable housing options... but can we encourage development that has intentional design... and encourage landlords to build more family sized units too."

"...it turns into apartments and houses that are expensive and not in the affordable range for an average wage earner in Ottawa."

"It's all house and no yard now. Where will the water go? Trees create shade and help reduce the city heat effect."

"Please be really mindful of police involvement in OCA events."

Raised by three respondents.

Also raised: reinstating Monday garbage collection (two respondents).

What this means for candidates

Ce que cela signifie pour les candidats

- 01** Commit to a traffic safety review of Queen Mary, Donald, North River, Lola, and the Vanier Parkway intersections, the corridors residents named most.
- 02** Reform the development consultation process. At 2.46 out of 5, it is the lowest-rated item in the survey.
- 03** Protect mature tree canopy and manage invasive species as infill and density continue. Green space is the community's #2 priority (49%, 20 of 41).
- 04** Support Ottawa Community Housing (OCH) tenants: residents raised unsafe conditions and unaddressed maintenance, and asked for a strong advocate on redevelopment plans and repairs.
- 05** Engage residents on both sides of the development-pace debate. Support is a plurality (49%), not a consensus.

Thank you.

Merci.
