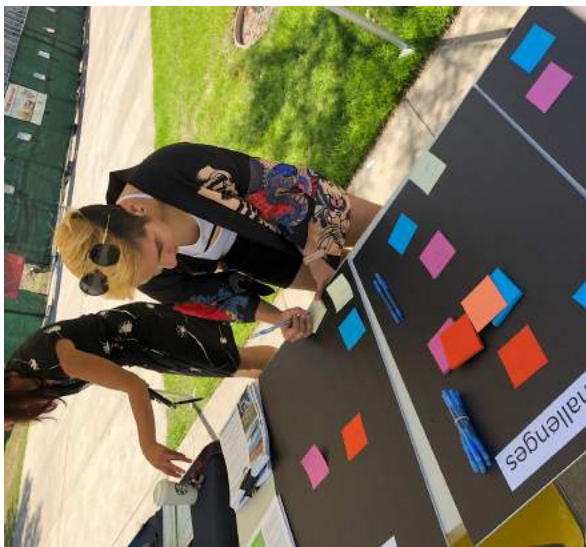




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VISION AND OPPORTUNITIES REPORT

City of Pittsburg General Plan Update

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OVERVIEW



The City of Pittsburgh is updating its General Plan - a document that serves as the City's 'playbook' for decisions on land use, infrastructure, public services, resource conservation, and much more!

The update will address critical questions facing the community over the next two decades. What's needed to accommodate future growth and attract quality jobs? How can we make the Pittsburgh an even better place to live, work, and play?

We'd like to hear from you at an upcoming public workshop!

- **Workshop 1 - Community Vision**
Saturday, April 13th @ 10:00 am
- **Workshop 2 - Mobility**
Monday, April 22nd @ 6:00 pm
- **Workshop 3 - Land Use & Urban Design**
Monday, May 13th @ 6:00 pm

All workshops will be held in the Council Chambers at City Hall (65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburgh).

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In April, May, and June 2019, the City began a multifaceted outreach program to engage community members in the General Plan Update. The General Plan Update team held three community-wide Visioning Workshops, eight pop-up events, and gathered information via an online community survey. The outreach effort garnered input from City residents, members of the business community, property owners, and stakeholders. The outreach program for this project is inclusive, educational, and designed to facilitate a meaningful conversation with the Pittsburgh community about the issues and opportunities that are most important to them.

The Visioning Workshops provided an opportunity for the public to offer their thoughts on what they value about their community and the City, and what important issues should be addressed in updating the General Plan. The pop-ups were City-staffed booths focused on identifying perceptions regarding Pittsburgh's assets and challenges and the community's long-term vision for the City's

future. The pop-ups were held in association with community events and festivals to encourage involvement from community members that may not attend traditional City meetings. The survey was made available on-line and also encouraged input from community members that may not attend City meetings.

The General Plan update effort will continue to involve numerous opportunities for the community to learn about the project and provide their input, including traditional in-person workshops, open houses, and online surveys. This Visioning Report memorializes what was discussed at three Visioning Workshops, the eight pop-up events, and the May/June 2019 online survey. Additional summaries will be prepared as other outreach efforts are completed as part of this project.

This Visioning Report includes the following components:

Overview: This section describes the community outreach efforts and goals, as well as the approach to advertising the visioning events.

Core Values: This section summarizes the core values for the General Plan Update based on input from participants at the Visioning Workshops, Pop-Up Events, and the on-line survey.

Visioning Workshops: This section summarizes the input provided at each of the three Visioning Workshops.

Pop-Up Events: This section summarizes the input provided at each of the eight pop-up events.

On-Line Survey Results: This section summarizes the feedback provided via the on-line survey.



OUTREACH GOALS

The goals established for the Community Engagement Plan are to:

- Gather meaningful input and feedback from the community at-large.
- Engage and empower community members in the visioning and planning process for their community.
- Provide an open and transparent process.
- Achieve broad demographic and geographic representation from community members and other stakeholders.
- Achieve an end product that has community support and ownership because community members feel that their voice has been heard.
- Develop easily understood informational materials that are culturally appropriate.
- Engage the community in a planning process that results in sustainable and implementable recommendations after the new general plan is adopted.
- Involve stakeholders and the general public at key points with interactive participation that ranges from one-on-one activities to large scale community meetings and activities.

ADVERTISEMENTS

The Visioning Workshops, pop-ups, and the on-line survey were advertised on the project website (pittsburg.generalplan.org), the City website (www.ci.pittsburg.ca.us), the City's social media platforms, including Nextdoor and Facebook, and at Planning Commission and City Council meetings. Additionally, flyers were posted at City Hall and at key locations throughout the community and were mailed with the City utility bills. The events were also advertised on the City's electronic reader board at the Multi-Model Transfer Facility for the Pittsburg Center BART Station.

CORE VALUES

The feedback provided by the community at the three Visioning Workshops and through the pop-ups provides the City with a broad overarching vision for the development of the General Plan Update, and identifies key community values and priorities that should be carefully considered in the General Plan Update process. As a result of the workshops, community pop-ups, and on-line survey, the following key themes have been identified:



Community Character: Residents value Pittsburg’s pride in its community and the numerous cultural and civic events that celebrate Pittsburg’s diversity and rich cultural and historic heritage. As the City grows, a continued commitment to arts, culture, schools, and community services and involvement will ensure that the City provides a high quality of life for its residents, continues to have a small-town feel, and maintains a clean and beautiful City.

Mobility: Cars have traditionally been, and will continue to be a vital part of Pittsburg’s transportation network. However, as the city continues to grow, additional emphasis is placed on alternative ways of getting around, including walking, bicycling, and public transit. Increasing the safety and functionality of the entire circulation system is a high priority for the City. Pittsburg’s future should incorporate concepts of “complete streets” that serve all modes of transportation, not just cars. The City also acknowledges that there are several strategic opportunities to enhance public safety through improved bicycle and pedestrian routes and amenities, while also improving traffic flow through better public transit, and limiting truck routes to areas of the city deemed necessary and appropriate.

Growth and Development: As the City grows, emphasis needs to be placed on high-quality jobs to reduce commute times and provide opportunities for an educated workforce, balanced growth that provides for inclusive neighborhoods attainable to a broad range of incomes, commercial and clean industrial uses that expand economic opportunities and provide needed services, development characteristics that maintain the City’s hillsides, waterfront, and habitat areas, and growth that is sustainable, clean, and environmentally just.

Education and Youth: The need for new and improved schools, as well as programs targeted at youth and families was identified repeatedly by community members. Community members also identified a need to develop and refine methods to upgrade the schools, ensure that the City’s schools are well-ranked, and increasing education and recreation services available to youth, from young children through teenagers.



Shopping and Services: A desire for more shopping and restaurant venues, including a mall, experience-oriented entertainment, grocery stores, and high-quality stores and brands, was identified by community members. As part of the General Plan process, land use designations should be evaluated to ensure that adequate opportunities are provided to accommodate the identified types of commercial uses.

Parks, Recreation, and Entertainment: The community's desire for healthy and active lifestyle options was demonstrated by the stated need for more parks, including a water park, community pool, and sports fields, as well as increased entertainment venues and activity options, including cultural events, family-friendly festivals, and recreation and activity programs, for all ages and abilities.

Environment: Community members would like to ensure that the City promotes and conducts sustainable practices throughout the community and ensures that the City's hills, waterfront, and greenspaces are preserved for future generations. Concerns regarding noise, air, and water pollution, were identified, as was the need to consider environmental justice and opportunities for renewable energy, including solar and wind power, as part of future decisions.

Community Services and Resources: Community safety, cleanliness, and a growing homeless population were key concerns identified during the Visioning process. An on-going commitment to a responsive police department and proactive management of crime and safety issues is needed for residents to continue to feel safe. One of the challenges for the General Plan Update to address is developing better methods, including partnerships with service providers, to provide resources and housing for homeless persons, lower income households, families at or below the poverty level, and disadvantaged groups that lack access to adequate resources.

VISIONING WORKSHOPS

The City hosted three General Plan Update Visioning Workshops in April and May 2019. Each Workshop focused on addressing a different topic. Each Workshop included a brief overview of the General Plan, including why it's important and why the City is updating its Plan, some background information on the evening's topic, and a series of facilitated activities to solicit input on key topics or ideas. The topics explored in each Workshop along with summaries of what we heard from the community are provided in the following pages. The intent of this section of the Visioning Report is to present the information we received without making assumptions or recommendations. The feedback we received has been recorded here in order to memorialize the key themes and ideas, and it will be used to help inform future work tasks associated with the General Plan Update, including evaluation of opportunities and challenges, development of land use alternatives, and creation of new goals and policies.



Workshop 1
Community Vision
April 13, 2019



Workshop 2
Mobility
April 22, 2019



Workshop 3
Land Use & Urban Design
May 13, 2019

WORKSHOP #1: VISION AND VALUES



This initial Visioning Workshop was the community kick off for the Envision Pittsburg project. This Workshop provided an overview of the General Plan process and focused on identifying the overall vision and guiding principles for the General Plan Update. Approximately 45 Pittsburg residents, businesses, property owners, and other stakeholders attended the Workshop.

Following a brief presentation on the General Plan Update, the consultant team facilitated two activities to help open a dialogue with the community regarding the vision for the future and priority areas to be addressed. Each activity and the feedback provided by workshop attendees are summarized on the following pages.

ACTIVITY #1 - VISION, ASSETS, AND CHALLENGES POST-ITS

The first activity during Visioning Workshop #1 was a Post-It activity. Meeting attendees were provided stacks of blank Post-it notes and asked to write down what they think are Pittsburgh’s primary assets and challenges, along with their vision for the future of the City. Questions posed to the group for consideration included:

- What do you value most about Pittsburgh?
- What are important aspects of the community’s culture and traditions?
- What issues are facing the City?
- What obstacles or concerns are facing your neighborhood or community?
- What ideal or dream City look and feel like?
- What would you like to see accomplished by 2040?

Post-Its Activity



Assets

- What do you value most about Pittsburgh?
- What are important aspects of the community’s culture and traditions?

Challenges

- What issues are facing the City?
- What obstacles or concerns are facing your neighborhood or community?

Vision

- What ideal or dream City look and feel like?
- What would you like to see accomplished by 2040?

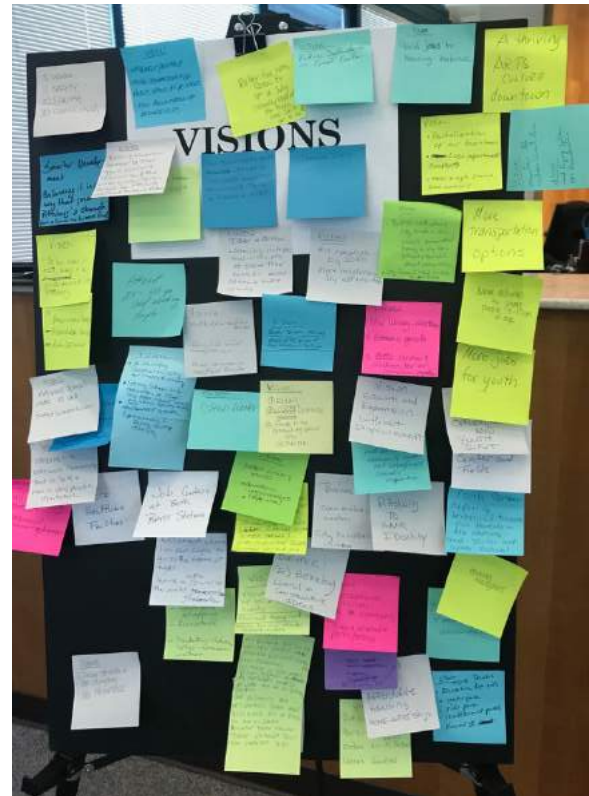
Please provide 3 responses for each topic.



The feedback from the meeting attendees for Activity #1 is listed below.

Visions

- More healthcare facilities
- Beautiful Pittsburg
- More walking, biking and community interaction
- Controlled and regulated traffic flow
- To be able to eat, shop, and be entertained in Pittsburg
- Pittsburg's schools rate 10 at greatschools.com
- Good jobs to housing balance
- Attract 25- to 40-year-old working people
- Walkable/bikeable
- More stewardship of public spaces by residents
- Full reclamation of brownfields
- Businesses/shops
- Affordable housing
- Entertainment
- Job centers at both BART stations
- Walkable neighborhoods
- Recycled water everywhere
- Mixed incomes in neighborhoods
- Less crime where you feel safe to go to the store at night
- Leave a safe town to the next generation
- Downtown shopping
- Recreation
- Marketing, advanced notice, communication
- Clean streets
- No dumping
- No homeless
- More inclusive of all community members (marginalized community members)
- Pittsburg is a bikeable community that is safe and has a very positive reputation
- Safety, reduced crime, and cleanliness
- Smarter development – balancing it in a way that preserves Pittsburg's character but allows us to move forward
- Skate park for the youth
- Better grocery stores
- Education (improvements building wise)
- Better senior housing



- More of the same at Los Medanos College
- Thriving business community that offers services and resources that the entire community can benefit from – residents don't have to leave Pittsburg
- Zoning to include tiny home development and home ownership
- Renewable energy (electric turbines inside water mains), city subsidized solar
- Shuttle on Railroad Avenue
- Allowing artists, musicians, etc. to share their talents more often and more openly
- Big businesses with offices so residents don't have to commute – bring in Chevron, AT&T
- Vibrant downtown with lots of community events
- Balanced development
- Creating positive attitudes with proud residents
- My ideal is for Pittsburg to become known as a great place to raise a family, great quality of life
- Better schools, two languages for all
- All those things that make good community



- Que limpien los parques (English translation: *That they clean up the parks*)
- Orden en el trafico (English translation: *orderly traffic*)
- Calles limpias (English translation: *clean streets*)
- Retail
- Great schools
- Parks with community pools and activities
- Me gustaria que decir que no hay suficiente parquin en la escuela Highlands Elementary y mas cruces peatonales. Los niños en esas areas no son seguras ay hay demasiado trafico de viso que no al suficien parquin. Me gustaria que los parques sean mas bijilados por la policia ya que el parque Buchanan tiene mucha jente extrana y los niños caminan solos. (English translation: *I would like to say that there is no parking at Highlands Elementary School and there are not safe crosswalks. The children in those areas are not safe - there is too much traffic, not enough parking. I would like the parks to be more monitored by the police since Buchanan Park has a lot of strange people and the children walk alone.*)
- Balance – I.E., Berkeley liberal and conservative ideas
- Business growth
- Open minded council members
- City to listen to citizens
- More parks and recreation for kids
- Water park
- Wide park
- Skateboard parks
- Round 1
- More recreational activities for community
- Safe and accessible parks and trails
- Vibrant economic downtown
- Maintain beauty of hillsides
- Build strong art community
- More affordable housing
- Homeownership
- Complete neighborhoods with walkable amenities
- Housing navigators
- Pittsburg to have identity
- Youth center offering technical training for parents in the morning and youth after school
- Growth and expansion without displacement
- Complete neighborhoods with walkable amenities
- A diverse, well-educated community without significant economic inequities
- Youth opportunities and youth input
- New, large recreational center and fields
- New library downtown
- Economic growth
- Better services and solutions for our homeless population
- More jobs for youth
- A thriving destination city for shopping and dining
- Strong schools and reputation of schools that propel student success and attract families to live here
- “Non-gentrified” growth – maintaining and valuing existing diversity
- Trader Joe’s
- More transportation options
- Better notification of city events – all should know without having to drive by a billboard and BART that doesn’t always work
- City Council that listens to citizens
- Accomplish by 2040
- More involvement by residents
- All support local businesses, especially the City, when hosting events
- More activities for young people 3-17 years of age
- Better fireworks show for 4th of July (visually especially for those who can’t get to the Bay)
- Revitalization of our downtown
- Less apartment complexes
- More single-family ownership
- Maintain the urban limit line
- Good paying jobs for residents
- Reduce dependency on fossil fuels
- A thriving arts culture downtown

Assets

- Clean Water
- Low Crime, weather, BART
- The responsiveness of the city policy makers and staff to the needs & wants of the residents. The first responsibility of our city. Don't spend more than we take in.
- Cultural diversity, hills, water
- Sense of Community, Marina & events there needs to utilize the area better
- People, potential
- Aspects of culture and tradition
 - So many cultures
 - Sharing traditions
 - Informing all
- Marina/Boat Launching, marching band, affordable Living (Compared to neighboring cities)
- Aesthetic, Pittsburg PD (+/-), diversity
- Small Size in Terms of Population, geography, the historical aspects
- Longtime residents
- Marina, Festivals
- Affordable Home purchase
- Weather, Marina
- Good People, Spacious feel
- Pittsburg Pride
- There is a sense of history. Acknowledge the past, even as we move forward.
- Diversity in terms of people living here
- Value Most
 - Diversity
 - Geography
 - History
- Location
- Location and Access
- Small town feel but close to major cities
- The community connection with neighbors is great and should remain intact. It creates the small-town charm and appeal.
- Natural beauty
- Diverse Population



- Great historical story
- Location in the bay area
- Small town feel
- The Central Old town area is an incredible city asset with lots of open gathering space for the community.
- Old Town, shopping areas, high school, Los Medanos cities
- Revenue seems to grow based on new housing
- Friendly, helpful neighbors
- Waters views and pro-family
- The Marina, the theater
- Bring back the Italian culture with events
- Still a small enough city
- Vibrant, diverse community, cultural events & opportunities, public services- Schools, Library
- Diverse Community, strong Industrial history
- The investment in the physical school structures + infrastructure has helped w/ the physical appeal of Pittsburg (and Pride)

- Diversity in population
- Our diverse community rich history
- Marina to the north and the hills to the south
- BART, Buses, Rides
- Weather, everything is acceptable
- Bus service, integration of resources, police presence
- Slower pace, historic neighbors, culturally diverse
- Rich, multicultural diversity, hillside, waterfront
- Diversity, Pittsburg pride, acceptive/involved, community
- Diversity of people, aesthetic appeal
 - Hills and Water
 - Downtown Marina district

- Enormous Potential for evolution- mindful
- Value- we have a Marina → downtown, value → theater, art and performance venue, value → involvement w/ community
- Acts as a buffer between communities, you know where you are, cities don't run together
- Escuelas (English Translation: *schools*), cultural richness, diversity.
- Me gusta que an incrementado mas escuelas, Mantienen mas limpios los parques, hay mas policias en las calles (English translation: *I like that there are more schools, they maintain parks clean, and have more police in the streets*)

Challenges

- Lack of walkability + Anti-pedestrian/culture, habitat restoration + environmental justice
- Encroachment + sprawl, habitat restoration, lack of public art/historical awareness
- Bring in greener, less polluting.
- Traffic through Pittsburg, commute is a significant issue, as a resident it can take 70+ minutes just to get out of Pittsburg
- Attracting new businesses, homelessness problems, outside perception
- Traffic congestion, crime prevention, job opportunities
- Pittsburg can't say no to Seeno
- Traffic
- Anti-pedestrian culture/walkability, environmental justice, habitat restoration
- High proportion of renters & non-owners, quality of life, noise ordinances not enforced in neighborhoods, litter/debris problems.
- The old town is highly underutilized. There are too many closed storefronts and businesses are struggling to stay open
- Children & families living at the poverty line
- Lack of truly life sustaining/salaried jobs
- Traffic: Circulation is not meeting the community's needs



- Fast growth
- Traffic
- Traffic, homelessness, housing
- Fill the vacancies in downtown area, bigger-better



farmer's markets, Traffic!! It sucks.

- Growing homeless, population
- Not any or enough services for the homeless
- Homeless in downtown, traffic control, integration of resources (improve)
- Zoning for future uses, housing for current residents, economic drought
- Work more with our neighboring cities on common problems
- Parking, schools, you got 4 middle schools and only 1 high school, police enforcement, lots of break ins
- Obstacles/concerns
 - The old timers- this is the way we've always done it- keep it that way
 - Communication to all or lack of?
- Perception of city (external perception)
- Attracting higher end retail & restaurants to old town, parking and performance of schools
- Community engagement
- City council, nepotism, pre-planned back door deals
- Schools need improvement, putting growth revenue above quality of life, again the belief that increased population/growth is desirable because of increase in revenue
- Trash, traffic, crime
- Smaller town compare to a major city, friendly community
- Cost of housing/housing issues, poverty, low quality of life
- Not enough jobs
- Demographics, gentrification
- Perception of crime: Reality, Safety. Traffic. Low rated schools
- Education: enough schools for population growth
- There are very few jobs in Pittsburg, the community leaves Pittsburg to go to work, engagement in the community is limited
- Trails improvement
- More community engagement, movies at the park, youth opportunities x work and distract
- Better conservation policies, protect open space, clean the equation between development + open space, open space tends to lose
- How to increase Old Town traffic, how to upgrade the educational opportunities for high school, traffic on Railroad Ave./ BART
- No on 5G, Keller Canyon Clean-up odor
- Homeless- no east county shelter, downtown area- keeping retail growing and full, highway and traffic
- Environmental justice
- Lack of schools, lack of retails, safety (car break ins)
- Attracting "New" development
- Not enough activities for young people 3-17 years of age
- Concentration of income levels, market rate housing alternatives, clean air around freeway
- Not enough thriving businesses downtown, since there are not enough, business money is being spent outside the city
- Unfunded mandates
- The state (ABAG) taking over the planning of our housing
- People doing donuts + the police don't do anything even when vehicle info is provided. Residents are ignored
- Traffic congestion
- Not enough viable businesses downtown, growth of homelessness, more middle-income housing downtown to support retail downtown
- Maintaining the small-town appeal, homeless, local jobs
- The PERS debacle! The state will force the city to dedicate more and more of its (the city) budget to paying for poor decisions made about promised defined benefits
- More kids' recreation, like Round 1, more recreation avenue for kids since we have to so far out, more event opportunities, skateboard park
- Communicating with own residents that dependence on the automobile for long distance

- ends in a dead end, bicycle and electric scooters are the future
- More community engagement, movies at the park
 - Seguridad, los parques, seguridad en las escuelas, las escuelas neccesitan aire acondicionados (English translation: *Park safety, school safety, the schools need air conditioning*)
 - Hay muchos homeless en las calles no me gusta, en los patios de las escuelas en los parques, que en la escuela no hay aire, no hay much bijilancia en las escuelas primarias (English translation: *There are a lot of homeless on the streets that I don't like, and on the school playgrounds and in the parks; there isn't air conditioning in schools; and there isn't a lot of vigilance in the elementary schools*)
 - According to the Bay Area Air Quality Management

District, Pittsburg is in the 15% of communities in the Bay Area that are most affected by air pollution. Additionally, the California Office of Environmental Hazard Assessment found that central Pittsburg is in the top 10% of California communities experiencing adverse health effects due to multiple sources of pollution. Goals to attract sustainable business to create green, clean, safe employment. We are experiencing both a climate and jobs crisis. Employment in the region is very important. Mark Jacobson, Stanford engineer (www.thesolutionsproject.org) estimates 450,000 jobs statewide if we transition to renewable energy. The fossil fuel industry will not transition by itself. It is up to elected officials and those working with them to sponsor these kinds of projects.

ACTIVITY #2 - COMMUNITY PRIORITIES MAPPING

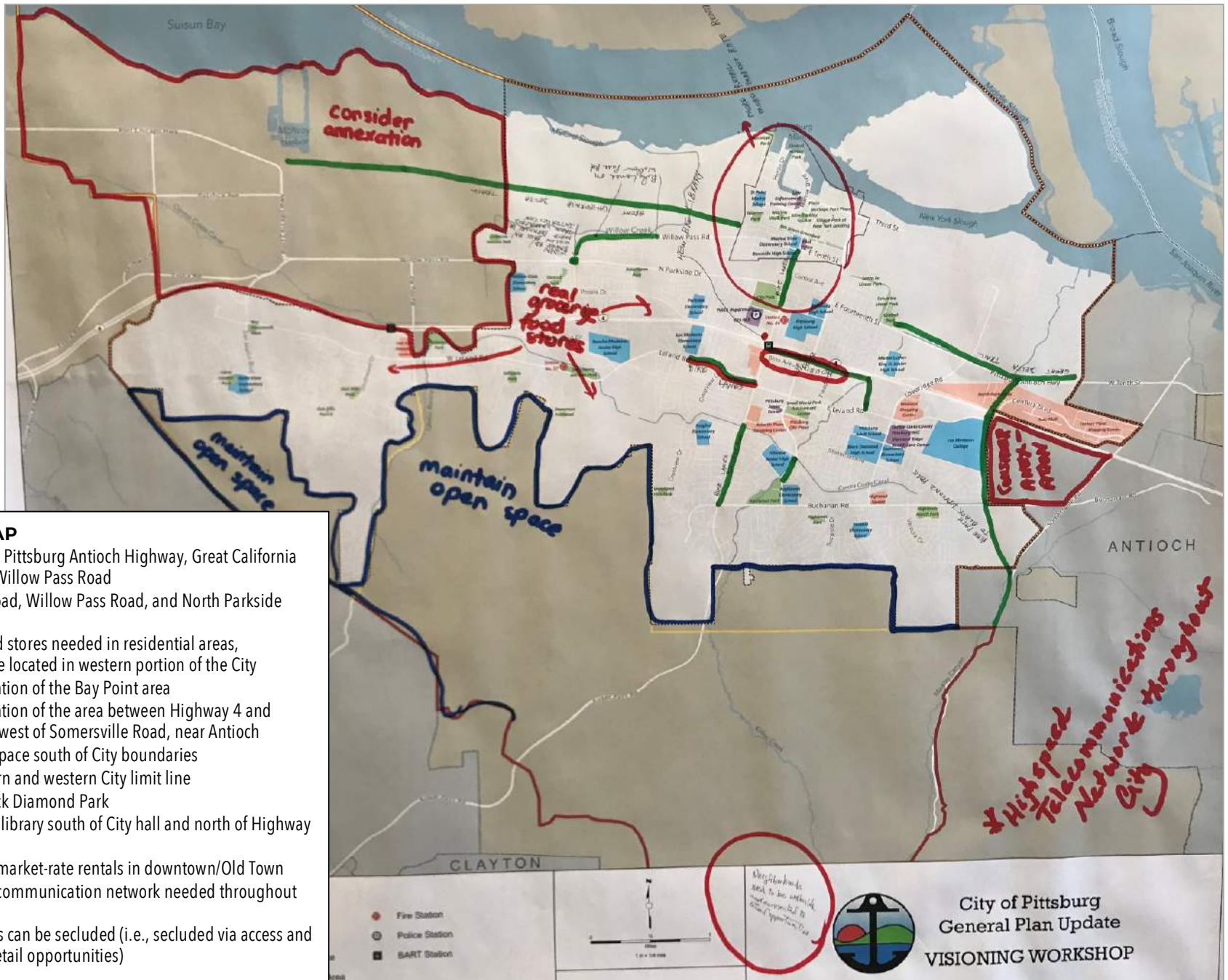
The second activity of the first Visioning Workshop asked participants to review large-scale maps of the City and highlight areas that need special focused attention as part of the General Plan Update, including areas that should be preserved and protected, and areas where land use change should be considered. Community members formed eight groups of three to seven people. Each group was provided one large map of the City of Pittsburg and three colored markers (blue, red, and green) in order to complete this activity.

The community members were provided the following instructions in order to identify various areas on the City of Pittsburg map:

- Use the **BLUE** markers to identify areas that should be preserved and protected
- Use the **RED** markers to highlight areas that need special attention, such as:
 - Issue areas
 - Potential for land use changes
 - Places that should be enhanced
 - Areas that need design direction
- Use the **GREEN** markers to identify important roadways and corridors

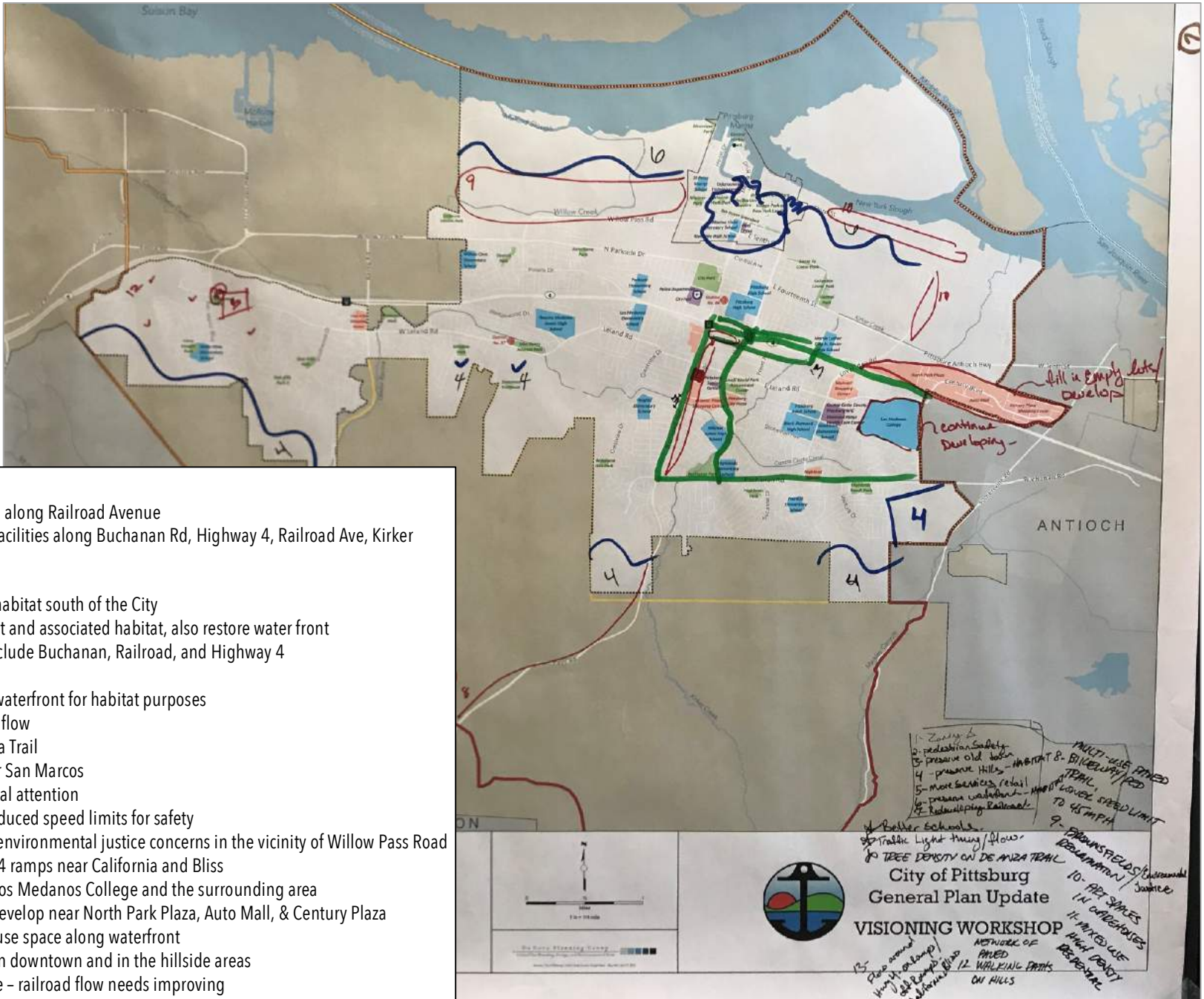
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GROUP #1 MAP

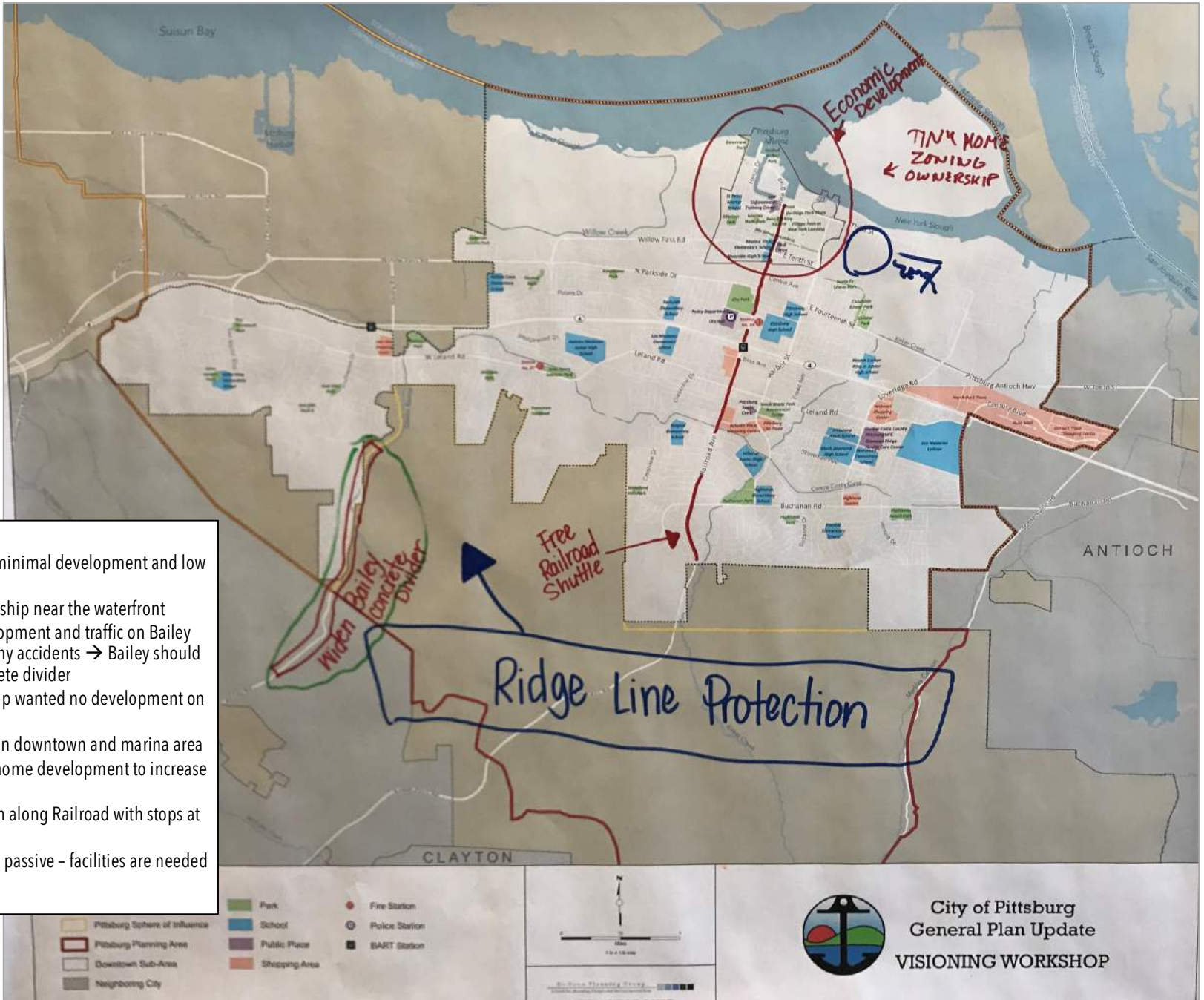
- Bike lanes along Pittsburg Antioch Highway, Great California Delta Trail, and Willow Pass Road
- Widen Range Road, Willow Pass Road, and North Parkside Drive
- Grocery and food stores needed in residential areas, particularly those located in western portion of the City
- Consider annexation of the Bay Point area
- Consider annexation of the area between Highway 4 and Buchanan Road west of Somersville Road, near Antioch
- Maintain open space south of City boundaries
- Preserve southern and western City limit line
- Bike path to Black Diamond Park
- Add a new large library south of City hall and north of Highway 4
- More retail and market-rate rentals in downtown/Old Town
- High speed telecommunication network needed throughout City
- Residential areas can be secluded (i.e., secluded via access and secluded from retail opportunities)



GROUP #2 MAP

- Zoning change needed along Railroad Avenue
- Pedestrian safety and facilities along Buchanan Rd, Highway 4, Railroad Ave, Kirker Creek
- Preserve Old Town
- Preserve the hills and habitat south of the City
- Preserve the water front and associated habitat, also restore water front
- Important roadways include Buchanan, Railroad, and Highway 4
- Better schools
- Preserve the hills and waterfront for habitat purposes
- Traffic light timing and flow
- Tree density on De Anza Trail
- Services and retail near San Marcos
- Waterfront needs special attention
- Multi-use paths and reduced speed limits for safety
- Remove brownfields / environmental justice concerns in the vicinity of Willow Pass Road
- Plow around Highway 4 ramps near California and Bliss
- Continue developing Los Medanos College and the surrounding area
- Fill in empty lots and develop near North Park Plaza, Auto Mall, & Century Plaza
- Art spaces and warehouse space along waterfront
- Walking trail network in downtown and in the hillside areas
- Highway 4 at Loveridge - railroad flow needs improving

1- Zoning
 2- pedestrian safety
 3- preserve old town
 4- preserve hills - habitat & better schools
 5- more services, retail
 6- preserve waterfront
 7- Redesigning Railroad
 8- Traffic Light Timing / Flow
 9- Better Schools
 10- TREE DENSITY ON DE ANZA TRAIL
 11- MULTI-USE PATHED TRAIL
 12- WALKING PATHS ON HILLS
 13- Plow around Hwy 4 ramps
 14- Empty lots
 15- Services
 MULTI-USE PATHED TRAIL
 TO 45 MPH
 9- PARKING SPACES
 10- ART SPACES
 11- MIXED USE
 12- DENSITY
 13- RESIDENTIAL

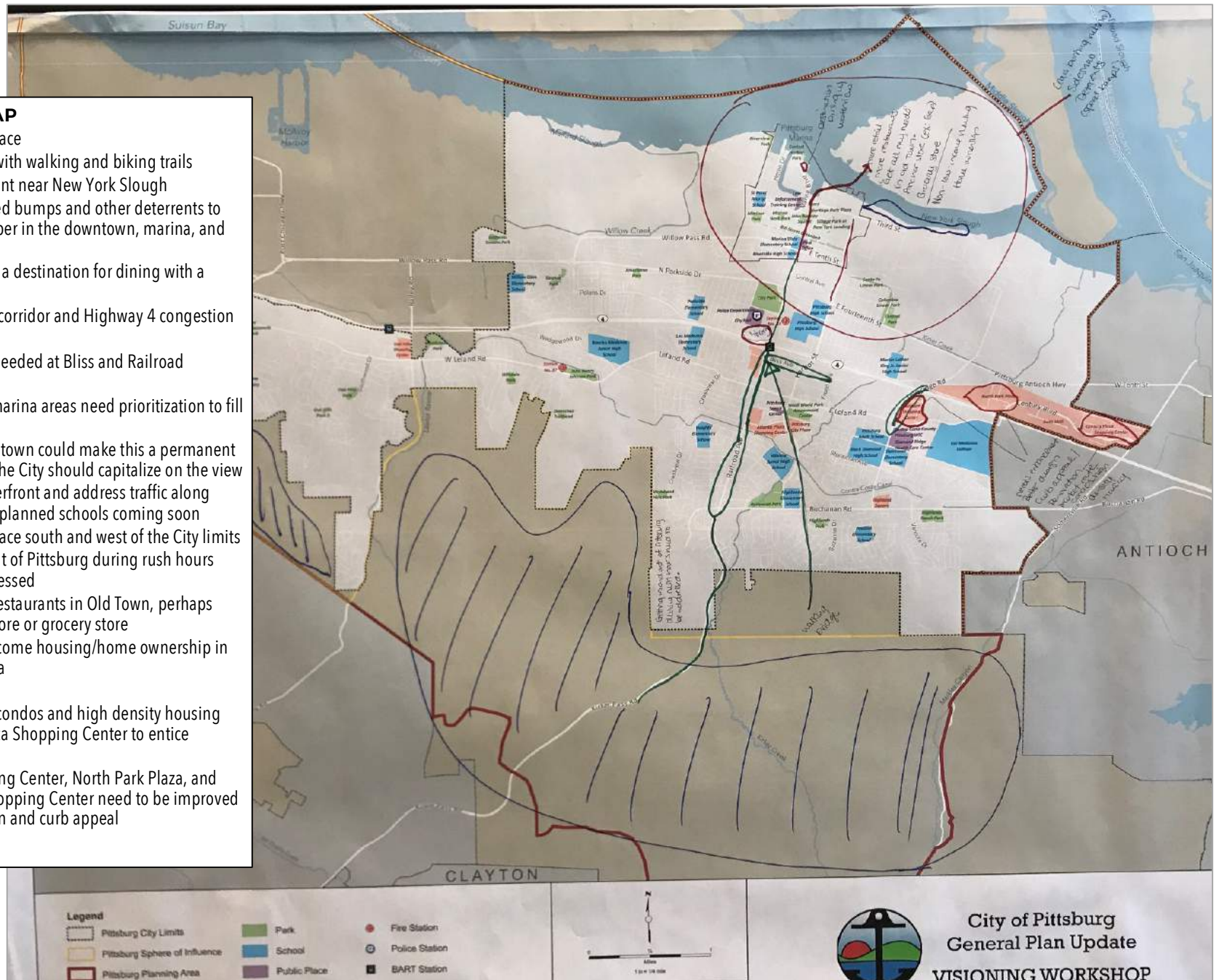


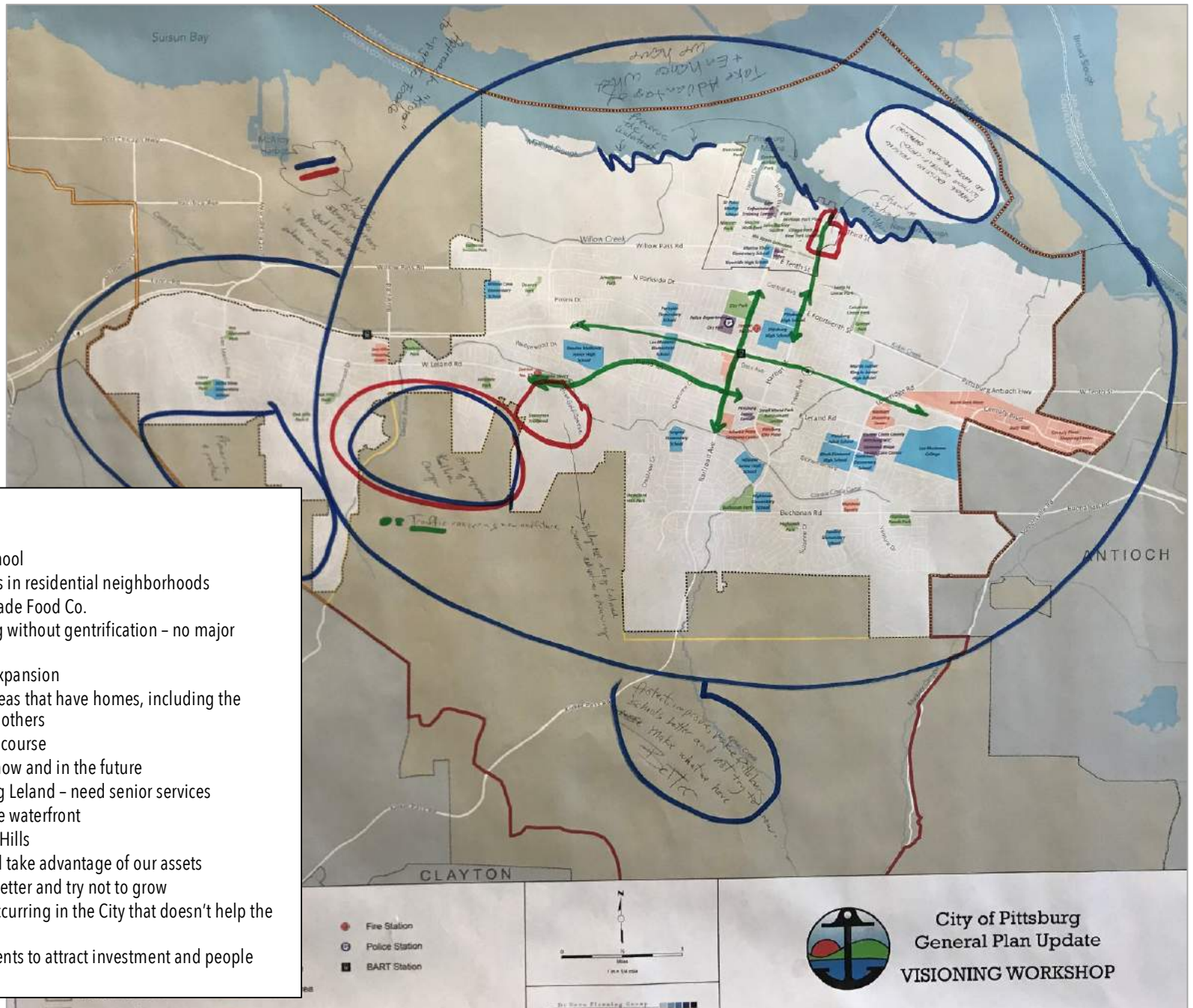
GROUP #3 MAP

- Preserve ridgeline with minimal development and low density
- Tiny home zoning ownership near the waterfront
- San Marcos future development and traffic on Bailey Road has resulted in many accidents → Bailey should be widened with a concrete divider
- Some people in the group wanted no development on the ridgeline
- Economic development in downtown and marina area
- Rezone/establish a tiny home development to increase affordability
- Free shuttle to downtown along Railroad with stops at BART station
- Youth sports - active and passive - facilities are needed

GROUP #4 MAP

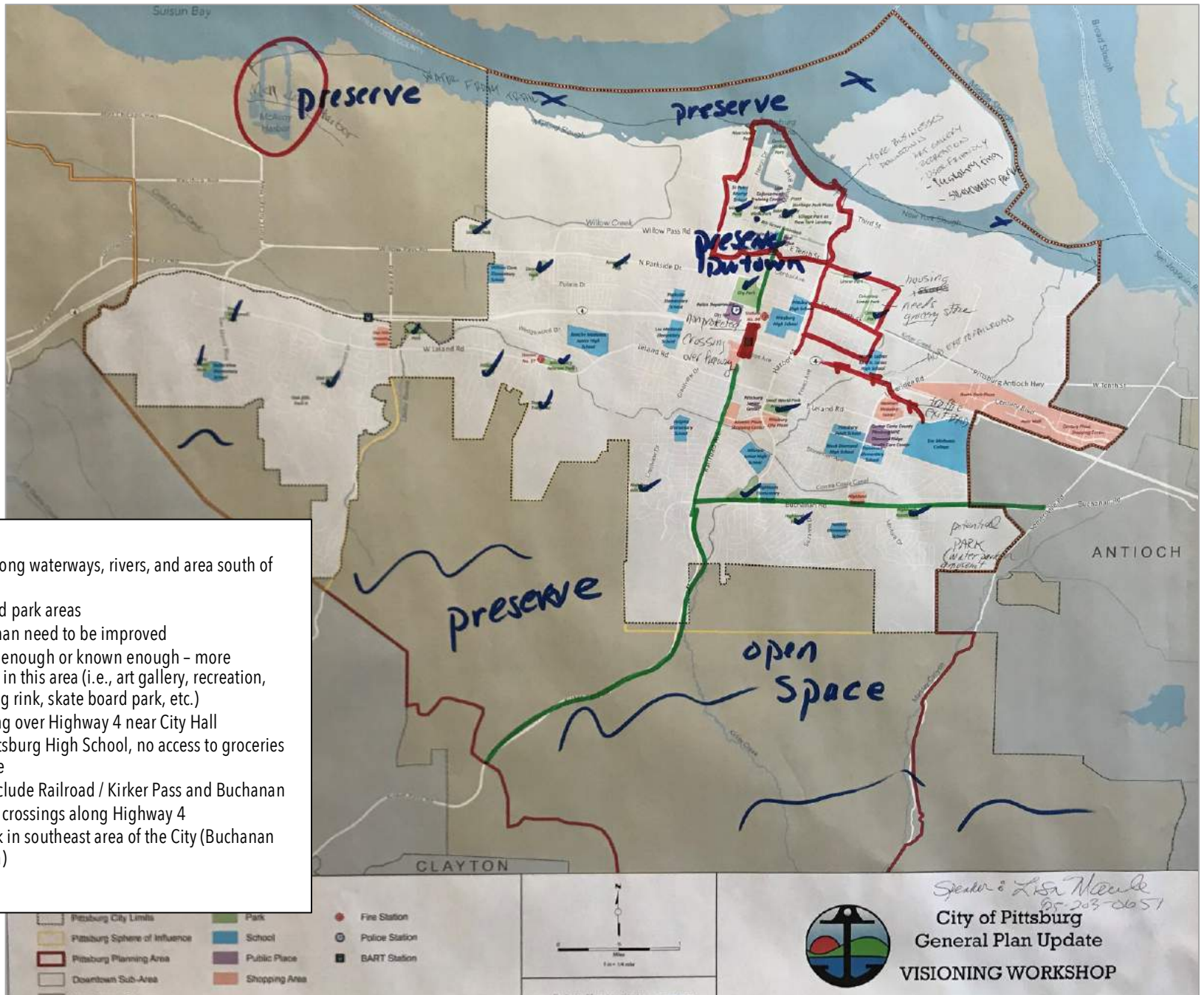
- Preserve open space
- Connect people with walking and biking trails
- Preserve waterfront near New York Slough
- Need to add speed bumps and other deterrents to cars burning rubber in the downtown, marina, and waterfront area
- Make the marina a destination for dining with a water view
- Railroad Avenue corridor and Highway 4 congestion
- Pedestrian safety
- Walking bridge needed at Bliss and Railroad intersection
- Downtown and marina areas need prioritization to fill vacancies
- Gravel area downtown could make this a permanent destination and the City should capitalize on the view
- Preserve the waterfront and address traffic along Harbor with new planned schools coming soon
- Preserve open space south and west of the City limits
- Getting in and out of Pittsburg during rush hours needs to be addressed
- More retail and restaurants in Old Town, perhaps with an anchor store or grocery store
- More non-low-income housing/home ownership in the Old Town area
- Free shuttle
- Add market-rate condos and high density housing near Century Plaza Shopping Center to entice investment
- Wal-Mart Shopping Center, North Park Plaza, and Century Plaza Shopping Center need to be improved with better design and curb appeal





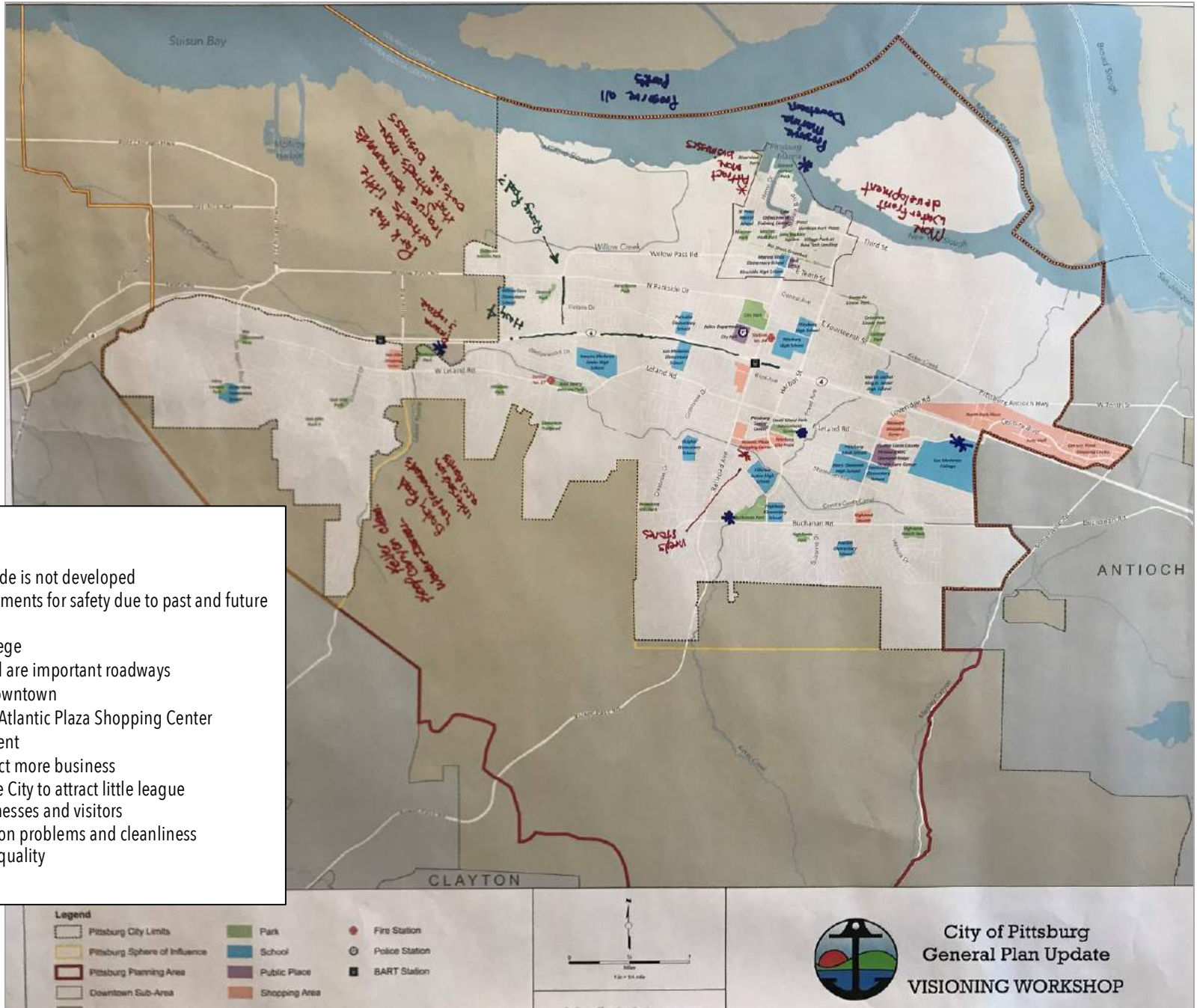
GROUP #5 MAP

- Leland and Harbor traffic
- Concerns over charter school
- Need more grocery stores in residential neighborhoods
- Approach Kroger to upgrade Food Co.
- Improve existing housing without gentrification - no major housing expansions
- Stop the Keller Canyon expansion
- Need grocery stores in areas that have homes, including the marina, San Marcos, and others
- Senior housing near golf course
- Address traffic concerns now and in the future
- Proposed buildings along Leland - need senior services
- Enhance and preserve the waterfront
- Preserve the San Marcos Hills
- Protect what we have and take advantage of our assets
- Make Pittsburg schools better and try not to grow
- Lots of development is occurring in the City that doesn't help the existing community
- Schools need improvements to attract investment and people



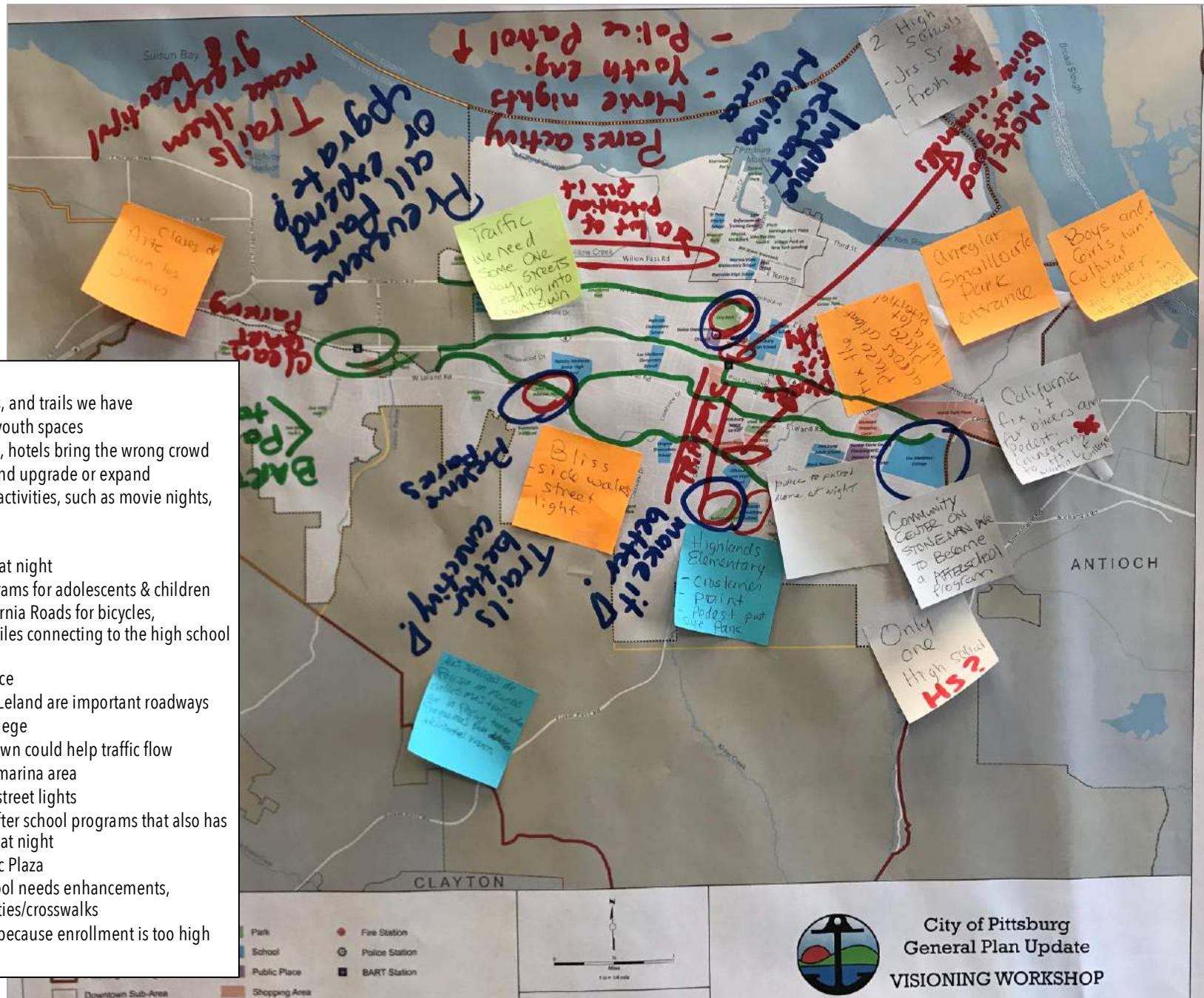
- GROUP #6 MAP**
- Preserve open space along waterways, rivers, and area south of the City
 - Preserve downtown and park areas
 - Kirker Pass and Buchanan need to be improved
 - Downtown is not lively enough or known enough – more businesses are needed in this area (i.e., art gallery, recreation, user friendly, ice skating rink, skate board park, etc.)
 - Add a protected crossing over Highway 4 near City Hall
 - Housing issue near Pittsburgh High School, no access to groceries within walking distance
 - Important roadways include Railroad / Kirker Pass and Buchanan
 - Inadequate pedestrian crossings along Highway 4
 - Consider potential park in southeast area of the City (Buchanan Rd/Somersville Rd area)

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GROUP #7 MAP

- Preserve park areas
- Range Road on the north side is not developed
- Bailey Road needs improvements for safety due to past and future accidents
- Preserve Los Medanos College
- Highway 4 and Range Road are important roadways
- Preserve the marina and downtown
- Need more stores near the Atlantic Plaza Shopping Center
- More waterfront development
- Improve downtown to attract more business
- Sports park is needed in the City to attract little league tournaments, outside businesses and visitors
- Keller Canyon has congestion problems and cleanliness problems, including water quality



- GROUP #8 MAP**
- Preserve the marina, parks, and trails we have
 - Increase recreational and youth spaces
 - Improve Willow Pass Road, hotels bring the wrong crowd
 - Preserve parks and trails and upgrade or expand
 - Art classes and other park activities, such as movie nights, youth engagement
 - Traffic near BART is bad
 - Police should patrol more at night
 - More police services/programs for adolescents & children
 - Improve Leland and California Roads for bicycles, pedestrians, and automobiles connecting to the high school and Los Medanos College
 - A Small World Park Entrance
 - Highway 4, Parkside, and Leland are important roadways
 - Preserve Los Medanos College
 - One-way streets to downtown could help traffic flow
 - Improve and recreate the marina area
 - Bliss area needs sidewalk street lights
 - Boys and Girls Club with after school programs that also has a cultural center for adults at night
 - Fix the plaza across Atlantic Plaza
 - Highland Elementary School needs enhancements, including pedestrian facilities/crosswalks
 - Break up the High School because enrollment is too high

WORKSHOP #2: MOBILITY

This second Visioning Workshop provided an overview of the General Plan process and focused on identifying the transportation and mobility issues and concerns in Pittsburg. Approximately 39 Pittsburg residents, businesses, property owners, and other stakeholders attended the Workshop.

Visioning Workshop #2 included three activities: a Barriers to Mobility and Access Mapping activity, a Mobility Vision activity, and a Ranking activity. The feedback that was provided during both activities is summarized below.



ACTIVITY #1

BARRIERS TO MOBILITY AND ACCESS

The first activity during Visioning Workshop #2 was a mapping activity. Community members formed eight groups of three to seven people. Each group was provided one large map of the City of Pittsburg and a sheet with five various icons (shown below) in order to complete this activity. The community members were asked to identify barriers to mobility and access on the City of Pittsburg map using stickers and markers. The following stickers and topic areas were identified:



Automobile

e.g. constraints to motor vehicle circulation, such as traffic congestion, delays to motor vehicles, limited parking, site access restrictions, etc.



Bicycling

e.g. constraints to bicycle transportation, such as lack of bicycle lanes, paths or bicycle parking, and/or uncomfortable existing bike facilities, etc.



Walking

e.g. constraints to walking, such as difficult crossings, sidewalk gaps, uncomfortable walking environment, barriers limiting pedestrian access to specific destinations, etc.



Transit

e.g. constraints to transit use, such as destinations lacking transit service, barriers to accessing transit stops, service frequencies, , delays to buses, etc.



Safety-Related

e.g. safety concerns for motorists, bicyclists, pedestrians and transit riders; concerns about speeding or cut-through traffic, etc.

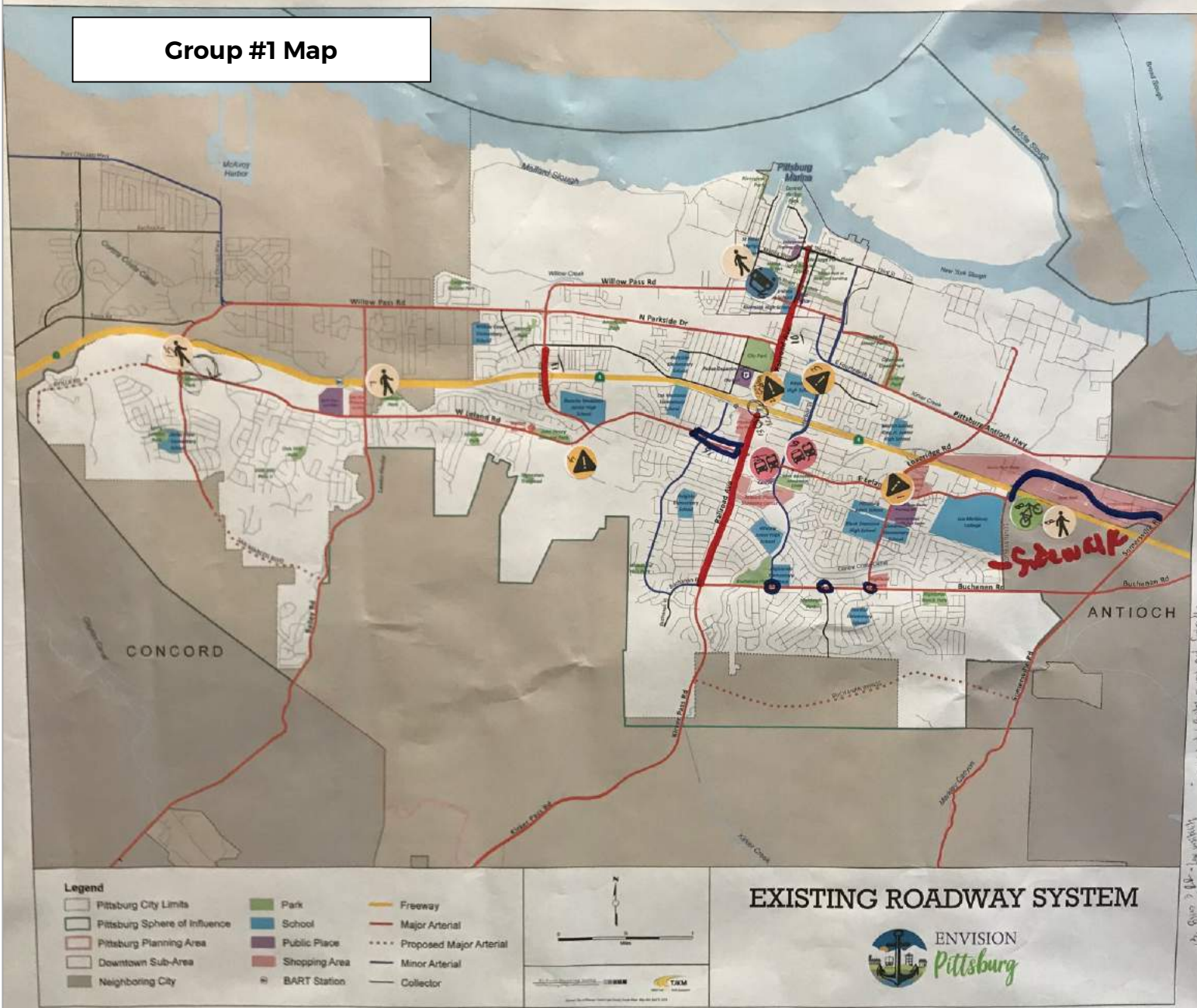
The results of the Barriers to Mobility and Access Mapping activity are summarized below.

GROUP #1 MAP

BARRIERS TO MOBILITY AND ACCESS

- **Automobile:**
 - Double intersection at Willow Pass near Riverside High School creates confusion
- **Bicycling:**
 - No bike lanes to get to Century Plaza Shopping Center
- **Walking:**
 - No sidewalks to get to Century Plaza Shopping Center
 - Double intersection at Willow Pass near Riverside High School creates confusion
 - Leland/Bailey is not pedestrian friendly
 - Toscana neighborhood does not have an easy and safe way to cross the street to get to the existing parking
- **Transit:**
 - People crossing between the senior center and Small World Park
 - Atlantic Ave. bus stop by the railroad – people do not walk to crosswalk they just walk across the middle of the street
- **Safety-Related:**
 - Issues at Leland/Loveridge
 - Westbound California at Railroad – cannot see pedestrians in the afternoon
 - Harbor/School – can't see pedestrians when they cross
 - Deadly curve on Leland by the former golf course

Group #1 Map



1. Leiland & Leiland
2. California Workboard at Leiland - don't see gaps in structure
3. Heiber & school st - can see gaps in any cross
4. Atlantic Ave then stop by fl. people do not walk to crosswalk, they just walk across middle of street.
5. Quality civic on Leiland by former golf course
6. Quite crossing between square center & small world park

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7. Light / Bulky - use gap broadly
8. The intersection of major bike lanes to right to shopping centers
9. One intersection center (median)
10. Leiland do not want for side center
11. for bikes to get to OH Road
12. Large road intersection connect the
13. Leiland do not want for side center
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Legend		
	Pittsburg City Limits	
	Pittsburg Sphere of Influence	
	Pittsburg Planning Area	
	Downtown Sub-Area	
	Neighboring City	
	Park	
	School	
	Public Place	
	Shopping Area	
	BART Station	

EXISTING ROADWAY SYSTEM

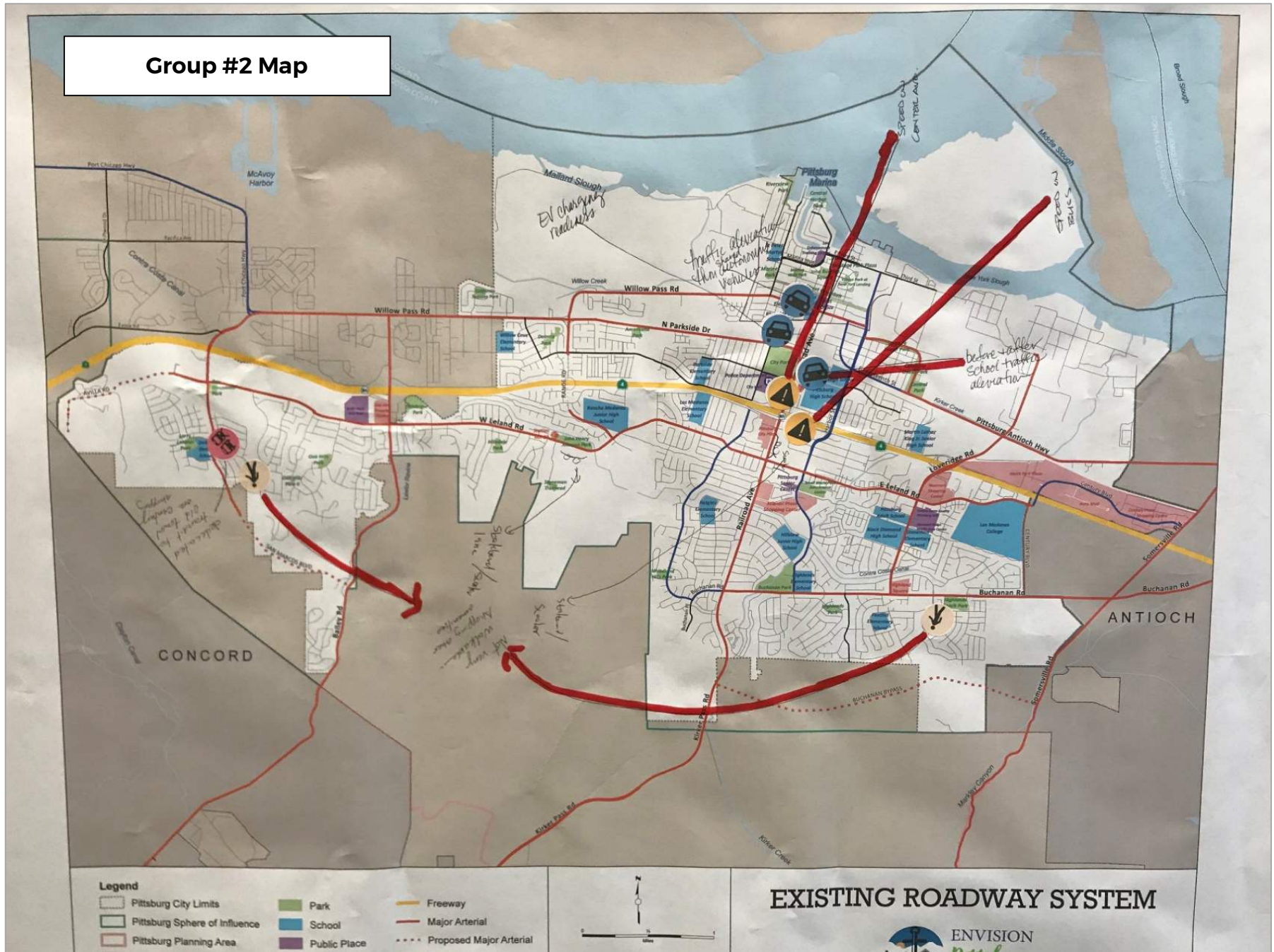


GROUP #2 MAP

BARRIERS TO MOBILITY AND ACCESS

- **Automobile:**
 - Traffic near before and after school needs to be alleviated
 - Electric vehicle readiness near the City Park
 - Traffic alleviation near downtown could be alleviated with shared autonomous vehicles
- **Bicycling:**
 - None
- **Walking:**
 - Western and southeastern Pittsburg are not very walkable
- **Transit:**
 - Dedicated transit to Old Town or Century Plaza Shopping Center from western Pittsburg
- **Safety-Related:**
 - Speed in central area/downtown is too high

Group #2 Map

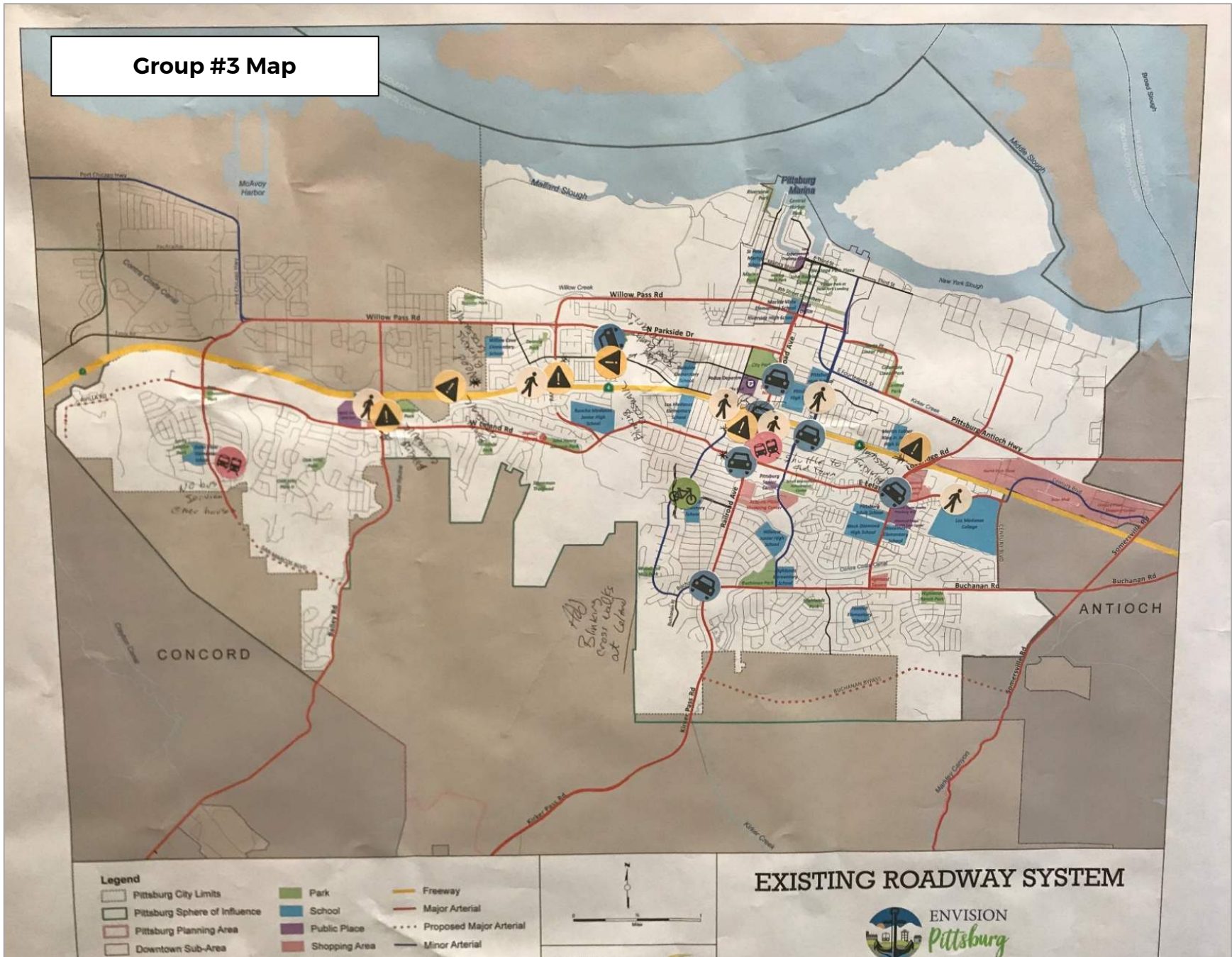


GROUP #3 MAP

BARRIERS TO MOBILITY AND ACCESS

- **Automobile:**
 - Constraints located along Kirker Pass, Leland, Loveridge, Highway 4, and generally near the central portion of the City
- **Bicycling:**
 - Constraints located near Heights Elementary School
- **Walking:**
 - Blinking crosswalk needed near Leland/Bailey intersection
 - Blinking crosswalk needed near Willow Cove Elementary School
 - Blinking crosswalk needed near Parkside Elementary School
- **Transit:**
 - No bus services at new homes in western Pittsburg
 - Shuttle to downtown
- **Safety-Related:**
 - Need speed bumps on Polaris

Group #3 Map

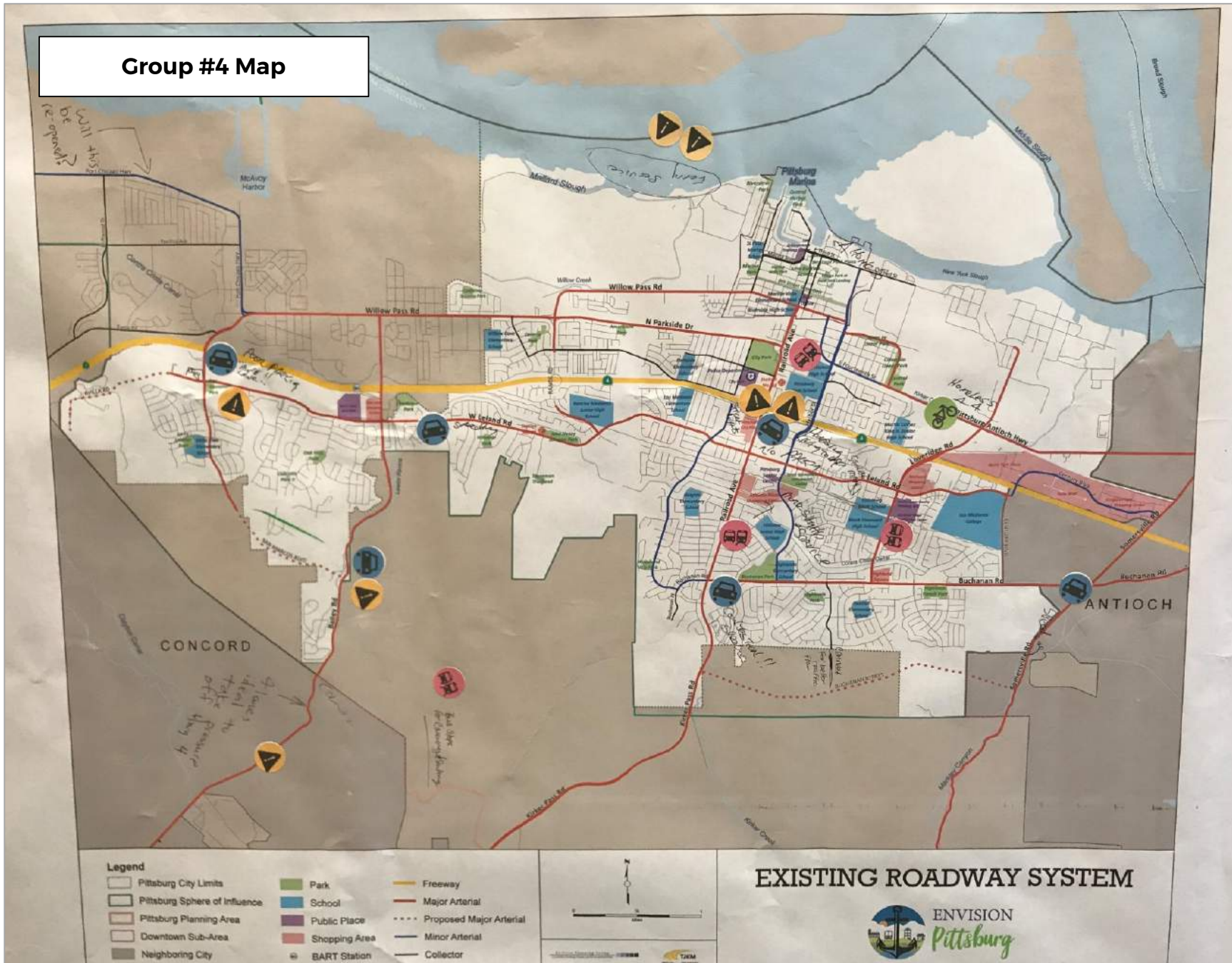


GROUP #4 MAP

BARRIERS TO MOBILITY AND ACCESS

- **Automobile:**
 - Poor parking near Ray Giacomelli Park
 - No parking near Pittsburg Plaza Park
 - Speeding at Somersville/Buchanan intersection
 - Auto safety concerns in southern portion of Bailey Road
 - Congestion and speeding on Kirker Pass Road
- **Bicycling:**
 - Homeless near Central Park
- **Walking:**
 - None
- **Transit:**
 - Transit needs identified near existing schools
- **Safety-Related:**
 - Southern portion of Bailey Road should be widened to take pressure off Highway 4
 - Speeding on Leland

Group #4 Map

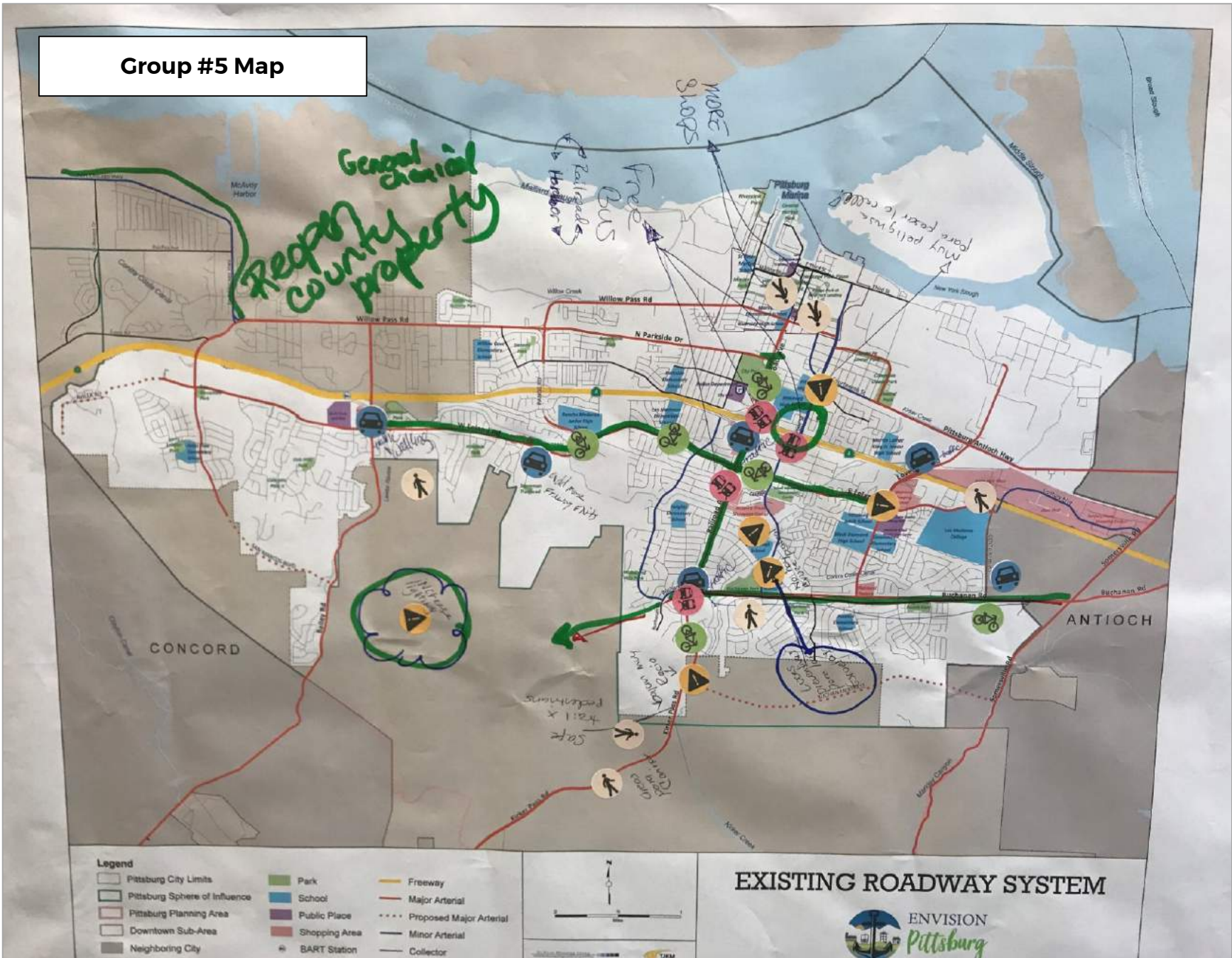


GROUP #5 MAP

BARRIERS TO MOBILITY AND ACCESS

- **Automobile:**
 - Add more freeway exits on/off Highway 4
- **Bicycling:**
 - Constraints along Highway 4, Buchanan, and Railroad
- **Walking:**
 - Safe trails and pedestrian crossings at Kirker Pass Road to increase areas for walking
 - More shops downtown to increase walking
- **Transit:**
 - Free bus/shuttle in central City
- **Safety-Related:**
 - Increase street lighting
 - Traffic is very strong at Kirker Pass
 - Very dangerous to cross the street near Pittsburg High School
 - Safety lighting near the schools

Group #5 Map



GROUP #6 MAP

BARRIERS TO MOBILITY AND ACCESS

- **Automobile:**
 - Auto parking needed at central BART
 - Auto parking needed at St. Peter Martyr Parish at church times
 - Harbor Street off-ramp at Highway 4 needs improvements/upgrades
 - Turning problem at West Leland/San Marco (northbound)
 - On-ramp from northbound San Marco to westbound Highway 4
 - Buchanan Road during commute hours
- **Bicycling:**
 - Harbor Street between 8th Street and Pittsburg Antioch Highway (under the railroad tracks) needs bike lanes
- **Walking:**
 - Pedestrian crossing needed at the California Ave. BART
 - Pedestrian facilities needed at Bliss
 - Pedestrian crossings needed at School St./Railroad Ave. and at Leland/Railroad in all four quadrants
 - Pedestrian problems at California/Highway 4 ramps
 - Conflicts between pedestrians and skateboarders – skateboards should be in bike lanes and we need more education
 - Cumberland/10th needs a crosswalk
- **Transit:**
 - Transit buses are a last resort – no one in this group has even taken a bus
 - Bus shelters don't provide sufficient shelter
 - Want bigger bus stop signs
- **Safety-Related:**
 - Harbor and School Streets – pedestrian crossing problems at High School
 - Cars don't look before turning at the Loveridge/East Leland intersection
 - All of Old Town – conflicts between autos and bicycles – suggest coloring the streets
 - Speeds on West Leland between Bailey and Range and on Pittsburg Antioch Highway are too fast
 - Pedestrian and auto conflicts at Railroad/Westbound Highway 4 on-ramp
 - The Railroad/Kirker Pass/Buchanan intersection is poor
 - 10th/Railroad intersection is bad for bikes, pedestrians, and autos

GROUP #7 MAP

BARRIERS TO MOBILITY AND ACCESS

- **Automobile:**
 - Potholes and speeding on Bailey Road
 - Willow Pass Road is overflowed by the morning commute
 - Lack of turning lanes and speeding on Willow Pass
 - Parking needed near Senior Center
 - Railroad is always congested towards downtown
 - Unsafe crossings are bad for motorists and pedestrians due to heavy traffic
 - Cars block traffic at Somersville due to congestion
- **Bicycling:**
 - High auto speeds make biking on Buchanan unsafe
- **Walking:**
 - No sidewalk near Bailey/Leland
 - A lot of pedestrians on Willow Pass
 - No sidewalks near Willow Cove Elementary School
 - A gravel street along Harbor Street needs repairing
 - Widen sidewalk on west side of Harbor Street
 - Unsafe crossers at Somersville
- **Transit:**
 - Trains doing rail work early in the morning near the waterfront
- **Safety-Related:**
 - Willow Pass is dangerous with the homeless
 - Dangerous near Rancho Medanos Junior High School for kids walking home from school
 - Leland has no space to walk, is too narrow, and people speed
 - Homeless encampment, dumping, and RV parking along Pittsburg Antioch Highway in eastern portion of the City
 - Turning lane into Costco along Pittsburg Antioch Highway in eastern portion of the City is unsafe
 - People don't pay attention to people in crosswalks

ACTIVITY #2 - MOBILITY VISION

The second activity during Visioning Workshop #2 was a Mobility Vision activity. The workshop attendees were asked to identify their vision and priorities for the City's future transportation system. The following transportation- and mobility-related visions and priorities were described by the workshop participants:

- Safety, too much reckless driving on major streets. More police monitoring these roads.
- Pedestrian safety, more walks and traffic lights.
- Bicycle lanes, wider and adding more trails, etc.
- Free bus service up and down Railroad Avenue and Harbor Street
- Better timing of City streets, stop lights to help keep the traffic flowing
- Open up a by-pass from Kirker Road to Antioch to relieve traffic on Buchanan Road ore some type of Fast Trak system that allows only Pittsburg residents to use Buchanan Road during commute hours
- Lots of improvements on roads
- Emergency path designated to hospital; shuttles to downtown and back to south of Railroad; ferries on a waterway to other side of Suisun; electric cars and stations
- Open up road to Martinez (Bay Point Marina, road by the River)
- More police enforcing speed limits throughout the city, especially main streets
- More bike lanes and much wider than they currently are
- No jay walking on main streets. No walking and trails for safety.
- Shuttles to downtown from various points in the City
- Painted parking arrows, and directional arrows for parking at and around all schools, including parking lots
- School shuttles to reduce driving, parking, congestion to-and-from school sites
- More public transportation from BART to old town on a regular basis
- Public transportation free for students. Trolley up and down Railroad
- Blinking crosswalks along Leland from San Marco to Loveridge
- Limpio, menos trafico, donde nuestros hijos puedan caminar a la escuela o andar en bicicleta (English translation: *Clean, less traffic, where our children can walk to school or ride a bike*)
- Mas saguridad policia, y mas en las escuelas para proteger a nuestros niños (English translation: *More police,*





especially at schools to protect our children)

- Que la transportacion del bus sea mas rapido. O maneras rapidas para transportarnos seguros (English translation: *Quicker bus transportation. Or faster methods of transportation*)
- Paint the street lines more often, better traffic lights, healthier community, bike rides through the city, keep the old town look
- Keep traffic on the freeway not on the streets
- Safe walkways to schools, more lighting through the City
- Mucha seguridad en la ciudad y para la gente que camina, ciclistas (English translation: *More security in the City and for people who walk and bike*)
- Muchas areas verdes y juegos para los niños de nuestra ciudad (English translation: *Many green areas and places to play for the children of our city*)
- Mas buses para las escuelas y escuelas mas remodelados (English translation: *More buses for schools and modern, remodeled schools.*)
- I would like to see better streets that welcome and protect our pedestrians and bikers
- A community bus free of charge at main streets to get specially students to HS and help to reduce traffic
- A vibrant downtown with affordable rental units, new businesses and a cultural center for all
- Upgrade both sides of the freeway surface streets leading to the center BART station (west is fine), California to Loveridge Road, southside needs bike lanes to Los Medanos
- Reduce/eliminate gasoline engines. CO₂e and climate change is real. We can't build our way out of congestion
- Bridge gap for pedestrian and bikes from Bliss to Center BART Railroad Ave to eastbound SR 4 on-ramps is a fatality waiting to happen
- Education for motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists to have everyone get a cooperative attitude
- Shuttle down/up Railroad - Harbor
- Ferry service
- Widen Bailey Road
- Widen Antioch/Pittsburg Highway, include bike lanes separate from cars for safety
- More parking around BART (real BART)
- Accommodation for seniors and challenged individuals
- Have a homeless monitoring system to identify and direct homeless to appropriate accommodation
- Leland (San Marcos) and Willow Pass - widen, address gridlock - Railroad and Bliss/Buchanan and Railroad
- Persuasion with ads to influence people to bike and walk more
- Mobility with city motor bikes
- Use time influence to join people to share car, train, or buss
- Electric vehicle readiness - have a plan for where we should put EV charging stations to attract EV drivers (There is already a task force working on this. Most cities in Contra Costa Country are participating)
- Autonomous vehicle implementation - this would ideally include BART station and surrounding streets, PHS, and Railroad Ave. to start (Shared autonomous vehicles would be ideal, PHS is planning to get one in the next year or two)
- Autonomous vehicle and electric vehicle repair businesses, even autonomous vehicle manufacturing
- Skateboard lanes
- Autonomous last mile vehicles

- Jetsons tunnels (lol)
- Easier/desirable transportation for Oak Hills/San Marco to get to East Pittsburgh. Residents continue to go to Concord to shop
- Don't kill cars just because lawmakers say so. People like cars, we can't force people to leave cars at home. Need to create harmony
- Being selfish I want: speed humps at Meadowbrook Circle and Golden Leaf due to "blind curve" and stopping individuals from performing "donuts"
- Better timing for traffic lights
- Better street lights to reduce crime
- Traffic control, timing of turning/stop lights, especially outside schools
- Restriping of street lanes and signage
- More bridges to go over Highway 4
- Self-driving bus
- Diversify modes of transportation – ferry system
- Old town – parking garage – pedestrian streets with businesses and entertainment
- Major food stores close to residential – suggest approach Kroger to convert Food Co – upgrade
- Use of public transportation, more fluid – accessible – people living longer
- Real bike lanes on every Route of Regional Significance
- All new housing developments connected to the City's existing bike lanes and sidewalks on both sides of the street
- Upgrade Willow Pass Road between 10th Street and North Parkside Drive/Range Road. Widen the railroad underpasses. Want bike lanes and car lanes and side walks
- More electric bikes (pay as you go service)
- Smaller more frequent busses
- Block off downtown for walking only every Sunday
- "Smart Roads" that change purpose depending on needs, i.e., directing traffic, directions of traffic, traffic directions, modes of transportation, closures, speeds
- Autonomous mass transit and City run autonomous vehicles in lanes that don't impact other modes
- Public transportation connection to BART – from jobs, employers, shops
- Improve arterial flow to major hubs – people need to get to work, decrease commute times
- Improve outflow from major hubs – keep people local, job creation

ACTIVITY #3 –TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS PRIORITIES

The third activity during Visioning Workshop #2 was a ranking activity. Each community member was instructed to prioritize the following transportation-related issues that your group thinks should be addressed in order of importance from 1 to 5 (with 1 being the top priority):

- **Automobile Improvements:** reduce traffic delays and congestion, continue to increase motor vehicle traffic capacity, etc.
- **Bicycle Improvements:** expand/ improve the citywide bikeway network and supply of bicycle parking; attract bike share providers, etc.
- **Pedestrian Improvements:** provide new and/or improved pedestrian crossings, sidewalks and paths.
- **Transit Improvements:** enhance access to transit stops and stations; provide measures to reduce bus delay; and/or support the provision of new or enhanced transit service.
- **Safety Improvements:** measures to address safety issues and reduce collisions for all travel modes, etc.

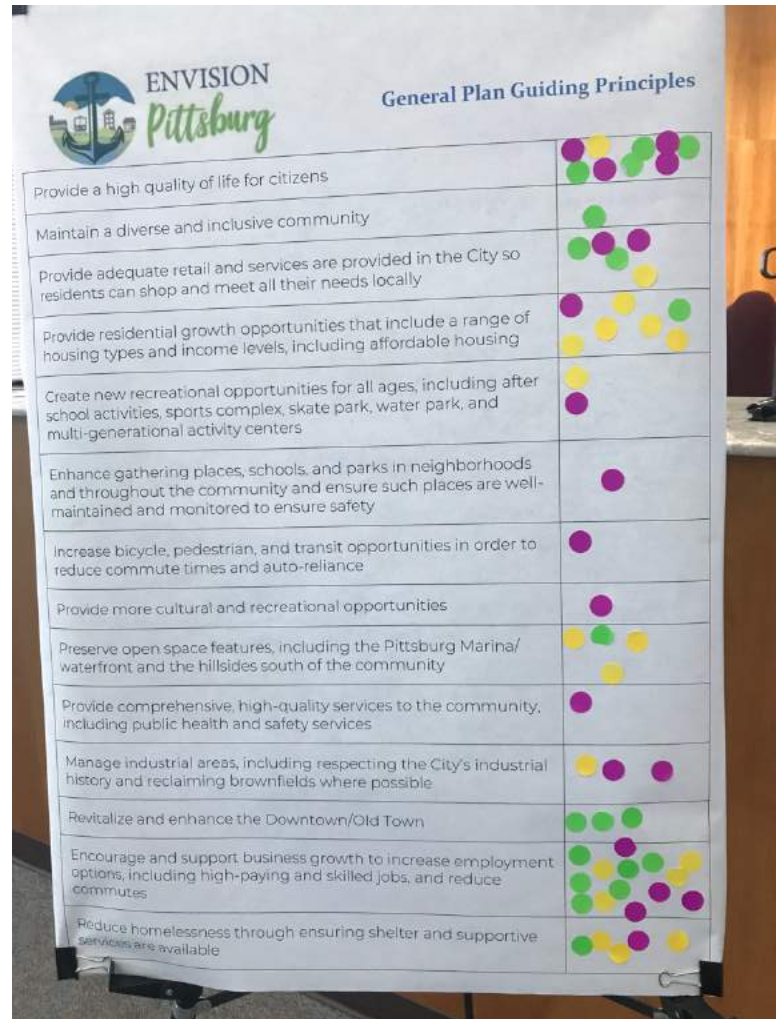
As shown below, safety improvements were the top priority receiving most of the #1 and #2 priority votes, as highlighted below, followed by pedestrian improvements, with automobile improvements coming in third overall. The lowest priority areas were bicycle improvements, followed by transit improvements.

Priority	Votes by Priority				
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5
Automobile	2	1	5	0	0
Bicycle	0	0	0	3	5
Pedestrian	1	3	2	2	0
Transit	2	0	0	3	3
Safety	3	4	1	0	0

WORKSHOP #3: LAND USE AND COMMUNITY DESIGN

Visioning Workshop #3 for the Envision Pittsburgh General Plan Update provided an overview of the General Plan process and focused on ranking the Guiding Principles, crafting Vision Statements, and identifying land use and design focus areas in Pittsburgh. Approximately 46 Pittsburgh residents, businesses, property owners, and other stakeholders attended the Workshop.

Visioning Workshop #3 included three activities: a Guiding Principles voting activity, a Vision Statement activity, and a Land Use, Design, and Great Places mapping activity. The feedback that was provided during the three activities is summarized below.



ENVISION Pittsburgh	General Plan Guiding Principles
	Provide a high quality of life for citizens
	Maintain a diverse and inclusive community
	Provide adequate retail and services are provided in the City so residents can shop and meet all their needs locally
	Provide residential growth opportunities that include a range of housing types and income levels, including affordable housing
	Create new recreational opportunities for all ages, including after school activities, sports complex, skate park, water park, and multi-generational activity centers
	Enhance gathering places, schools, and parks in neighborhoods and throughout the community and ensure such places are well-maintained and monitored to ensure safety
	Increase bicycle, pedestrian, and transit opportunities in order to reduce commute times and auto-reliance
	Provide more cultural and recreational opportunities
	Preserve open space features, including the Pittsburgh Marina/waterfront and the hillsides south of the community
	Provide comprehensive, high-quality services to the community, including public health and safety services
	Manage industrial areas, including respecting the City's industrial history and reclaiming brownfields where possible
	Revitalize and enhance the Downtown/Old Town
	Encourage and support business growth to increase employment options, including high-paying and skilled jobs, and reduce commutes
	Reduce homelessness through ensuring shelter and supportive services are available

ACTIVITY #1 - GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The first activity during Visioning Workshop #3 was a Guiding Principles voting activity. Each community member was instructed to vote on three of the fourteen Guiding Principles. The top three Guiding Principles, highlighted in the table below, include:

1. Encourage and support business growth to increase employment options, including high-paying and skilled jobs, and reduce commutes;
2. Provide residential growth opportunities that include a range of housing types and income levels, including affordable housing; and
3. Provide adequate retail and services are provided in the City so residents can shop and meet all their needs locally.

The results of the voting activity are summarized below:

Guiding Principles	Number of Votes
Provide a high quality of life for citizens	10
Maintain a diverse and inclusive community	3
Provide adequate retail and services are provided in the City so residents can shop and meet all their needs locally	14
Provide residential growth opportunities that include a range of housing types and income levels, including affordable housing	16
Create new recreational opportunities for all ages, including after school activities, sports complex, skate park, water park, and multi-generational activity centers	6
Enhance gathering places, schools, and parks in neighborhoods and throughout the community and ensure such places are well-maintained and monitored to ensure safety	5
Increase bicycle, pedestrian, and transit opportunities in order to reduce commute times and auto-reliance	5
Provide more cultural and recreational opportunities	4
Preserve open space features, including the Pittsburg Marina/ waterfront and the hillsides south of the community	6
Provide comprehensive, high-quality services to the community, including public health and safety services	3
Manage industrial areas, including respecting the City's industrial history and reclaiming brownfields where possible	6
Revitalize and enhance the Downtown/Old Town	10
Encourage and support business growth to increase employment options, including high-paying and skilled jobs, and reduce commutes	24
Reduce homelessness through ensuring shelter and supportive services are available	8

ACTIVITY #2 - VISION STATEMENTS










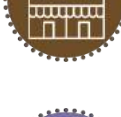


The second activity during Visioning Workshop #3 was a small group activity. Community members formed eight groups of three to seven people. Working as a group, community members were asked to develop a Vision Statement for Envision Pittsburgh that reflected the group's most important guiding principles. The following visions for Pittsburgh's future were described by the small groups:

- *Pittsburg is a safe, beautiful, and vibrant community with a balance of affordable housing, schools, shops, restaurants, commercial, and natural beauty. The community is prosperous and offers an abundance of employment opportunities for economic growth, unique agricultural, recreational, cultural, and entertainment options.*
- *In 2060, Pittsburg is a waterfront destination for the Bay Area. It is a safe, diverse, and affordable community. It balances economic, preservation, and growth opportunities. It's a multigenerational, inclusive place that attracts the surrounding population to its green hills, recreational opportunities, and bustling/thriving old town.*
- *A beautiful and attractive city that is desirable for residents and visitors with local amenities that meet the needs of residents. Ensure economic growth and stability by attracting high quality businesses that offer jobs with living wages that allow employees to afford the median price home in Pittsburg. A safe place to live and enjoy recreation.*
- *We are Pittsburg! We strive to be a diverse and inclusive engaging community, that provides affordable housing, safe neighborhoods with quality education for all; providing vast recreational activity options for all youths as well as adults; accessible mobility for all; productive for all citizens, making this city a thriving community.*
- *A diverse people unified by a Pittsburg identity. Instilling a Pittsburg pride to reduce litter, rezoning our school districts to incorporate the San Marcos and Oak Hills neighborhoods; to fix heavy morning traffic.*
- *Pittsburg will be a diverse, multimodal community that provides a good balance of jobs, housing, recreational and entertainment opportunities, while maintaining its unique identity and character.*
- *A safe community where people can work where they live that celebrates its diversity and protects and enhances the natural beauty around us. Our goal is a carefully planned community that incorporates all the following:*
 - *Specifically, we want decent grocery stores such as Raley's or Trader Joes. We believe that a community that plans ahead for commercial services (similar to the Streets of Brentwood) will be a great place to live.*
 - *We think that an abundance of recreational opportunities for all ages will ultimately result in a safe place to live because we will feel more connected to each other.*
 - *We dream of a city where you work where you live. We prefer that we maintain the hills and waterfront for beauty and inspiration.*
 - *We're proud of our diversity and encourage it we can have ethnic festivals for learning and sharing cultures. A shared culture brings pride and security.*

ACTIVITY #3 - LAND USE, DESIGN, AND GREAT PLACES

The third activity during Visioning Workshop #3 was a mapping activity. Community members formed eight groups of three to seven people. Each group was provided one large map of the City of Pittsburgh, an instruction sheet with 12 various icon stickers (shown below), and worksheets in order to complete this activity. The community members were provided the following instructions in order to identify various areas on the City of Pittsburgh map:

- Where does Pittsburgh need either great places for the community to gather or better design and land use solutions to improve a community area or neighborhood? Mark the top four locations that need City attention (i.e., focus areas) on the large map of the City of Pittsburgh and number 1 through 4 (1, 2, 3, 4).
- Discuss each identified focus area. How do you envision each of these in 20 years? What uses are needed to achieve the vision? Are the current uses appropriate, but attention is needed to design and amenities? Place the appropriate mix of stickers in each focus area worksheet to identify placemaking, design, and land use actions needed to achieve your vision for the area. The icon stickers are shown below:

Placemaking and Design	Land Uses
 <p>Identification: Use signage, art, monumentation, and other techniques to create a sense of identity for the area.</p>	 <p>Low Density Residential: Single family homes are appropriate for this area.</p>
 <p>Streetscape: Use streetscapes, pathways, landscaping, and street furniture to create an attractive, functional, and safe environment that connects people with their surroundings.</p>	 <p>Affordable and Special Needs Housing: Housing affordable to the workforce and lower income groups and/or housing that addresses special needs (seniors, disabled, homeless) is needed in this area.</p>
 <p>Community Amenities: Provide pocket parks, community gardens, open space, fountains, art, sculpture, to provide community focal points and activity nodes.</p>	 <p>Retail and Services: Retail and service uses that are used by residents on a regular basis are needed in this area.</p>
 <p>Distinctive Design: Use distinct design characteristics to unify development and facilities in this area and distinguish this area from surrounding areas.</p>	 <p>Mixed Use: A mixture of retail, service, office, arts, and/or entertainment uses integrated with housing. Residential uses are typically on upper floors, with ground floors dedicated to pedestrian-oriented business and entertainment uses.</p>
 <p>Restore and Renovate: The uses in this area are appropriate, but buildings, landscaping, and facilities need to be renovated and improved to be safe and aesthetically pleasing.</p>	 <p>Office: Professional services, architects/designers, insurance /financial services, import/export businesses, communications, computer services, art studios, publishing/printing, medical services, call-centers.</p>
	 <p>Industrial: Energy production, manufacturing, light industrial, warehouse, research and development, clean/green industries, and service commercial uses.</p>
	 <p>Public Facility: Public facilities, such as schools, parks, recreation, and/or community centers, are needed in this area.</p>

- Each group filled out a worksheet or annotated their map to address the following questions for each focus area:
 - What are the key features of this focus area?
 - What features are needed to make this a great place?
 - What land uses are desired in this area?
 - What are the groups's preferences/vision for the area?

The results of the Land Use, Design, and Great Places Mapping Activity are summarized below.



GROUP #1 MAP

- Identification: entryways to City at southern City limit boundary along Railroad Avenue, at western portion of City at Highway 4 / Bailey Road, and at eastern portion of City at Highway 4 / Harbor Street

Focus Area 1 – Railroad Avenue corridor (from Buchanan Road to Central Avenue):

- Free transportation
- Walk friendly (safe sidewalks)
- Attractive storefronts
- Attractive medians
- Four areas for streetscape improvements
- Placemaking and design actions: distinctive design and identification

Focus Area 2 – southern portion of City, south of Contra Costa Canal and John Henry Johnson Park:

- Tech job/employment center
- Event center
- Public recreation center: park, walkways, open area
- Placemaking and design actions: distinctive design
- Desired Land Uses: industrial, public facility, low density residential

Focus Area 3 – west of western City limit line, north of Highway 4, south of N Parkside Drive, and east of City Hall:

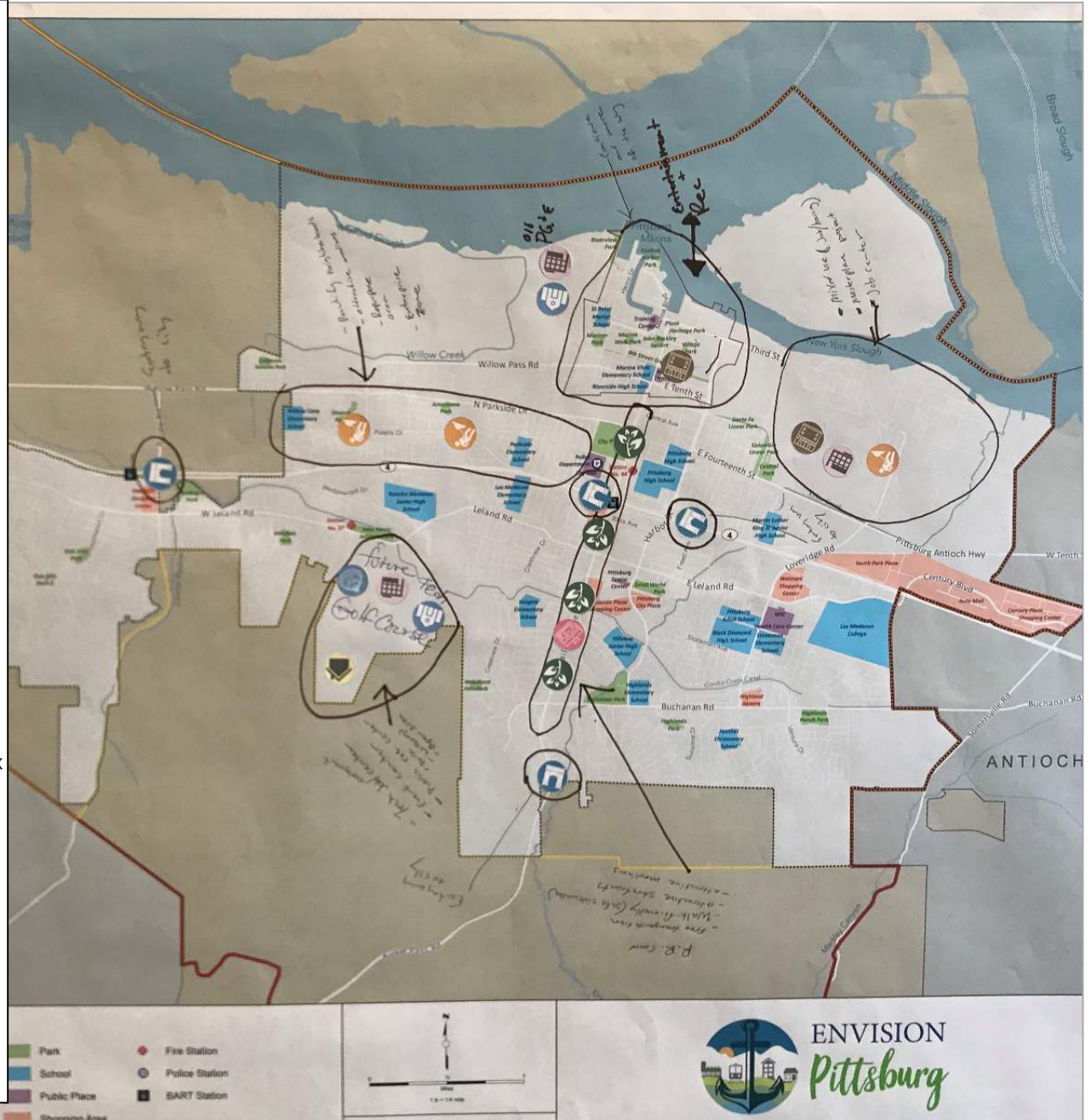
- Beautify neighborhoods
- Attractive medians
- Repurpose area
- Enterprise zone
- Restore and renovate: near DeAnza Park and Americana Park

Focus Area 4 – northeastern portion of City along waterfront, north of E Fourteenth Street, east of Central Park:

- Mixed use (job/housing)
- Master plan project
- Job center
- Desired Land Uses: mixed use and industrial
- Placemaking and design actions: restore and renovate

Focus Area 5 – Marina and waterfront area that generally aligns with the Downtown Sub-Area:

- Land uses needed: Entertainment, recreation, and mixed uses



GROUP #2 MAP

Focus Area 1 – western portion of City, west of Bailey Road:

- Key features: space, housing, higher salary/income
- Placemaking and Design Actions: identification
- Desired Land Uses: mixed use and retail and services
- Preferences/Vision: higher end (i.e., Trader Joes and Whole Foods) grocery stores, restaurants, space similar to Streets of Brentwood with entertainment included (i.e., movies, entertainment venue, etc.)

Focus Area 2 – Pittsburg Marina:

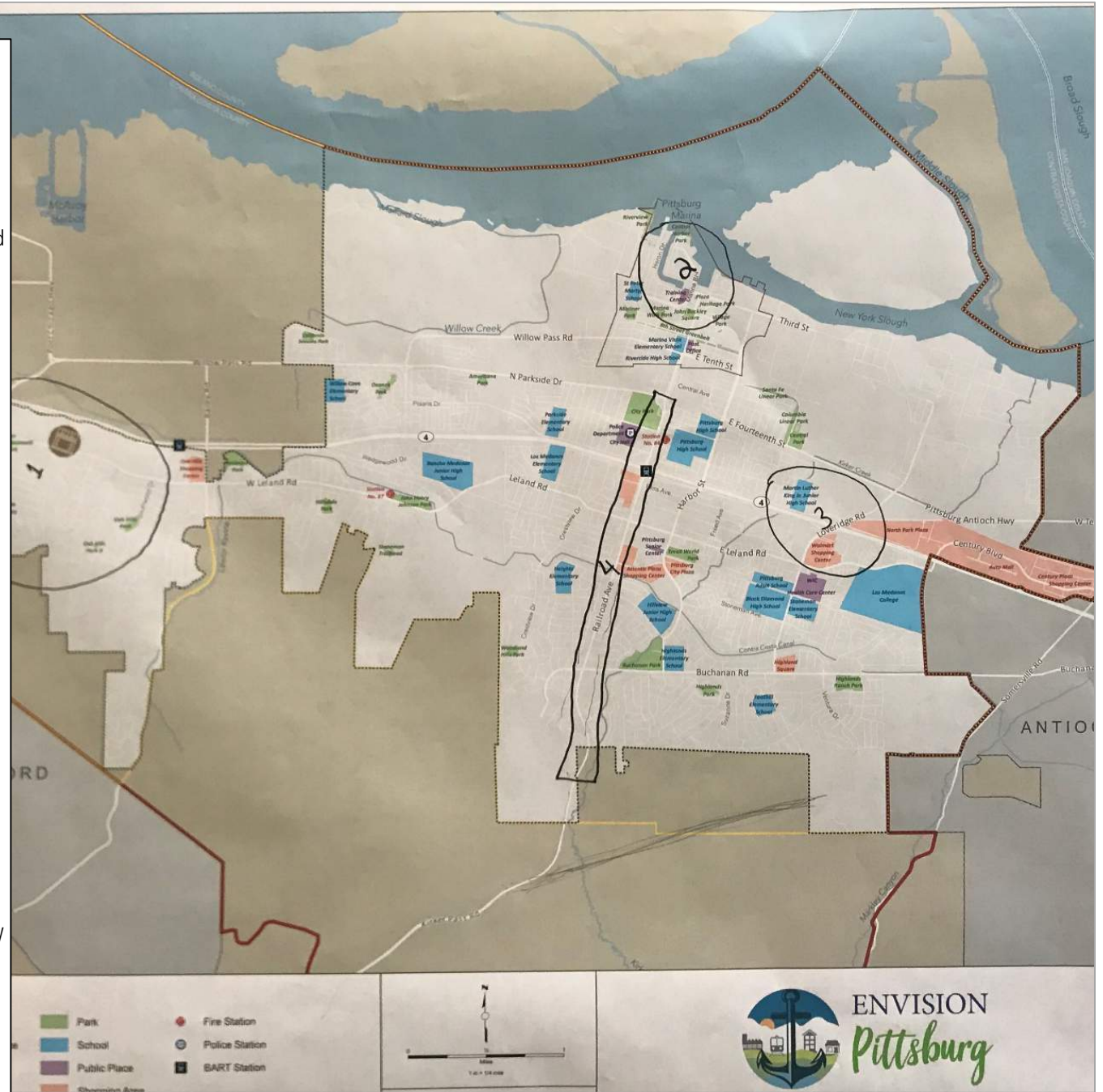
- Key Features: beautiful space, unique small businesses (more needed)
- Placemaking and Design Actions: community amenities
- Desired Land Uses: restore and renovate, mixed use, retail and services
- Preferences/Vision: more small businesses (i.e., retail), an area that captures history, more vibrant feel, create an ordinance to maintain vacant store fronts

Focus Area 3 – eastern portion of City at Highway 4 / Loveridge Road:

- Placemaking and Design Actions: restore and renovate, streetscape, and community amenities
- Desired Land Uses: affordable and special needs housing and retail and services
- Preferences/Vision: youth/community centers, renovations, transportation (bike lanes, etc.), allow residents to remain in area after development, safety

Focus Area 4 – Railroad Avenue corridor from southern City limit to N Parkside Drive:

- Key Features: main road, entry point to City
- Placemaking and Design Actions: streetscape, restore and renovate, distinctive design, community amenities, and identification
- Desired Land Uses: mixed use and retail and services
- Preferences/Vision: road safety/traffic, community amenities, use of unused space (old businesses)



GROUP #3 MAP

Focus Area 1 – “San Marco” – western portion of City west of Bailey Road:

- Key Features: add signage and retail (grocery store), crosswalk and traffic light at Toscana Drive
- Placemaking and Design Actions: community amenities, streetscape, distinctive design, restore and renovate, and identification
- Desired Land Uses: public facility, retail and services, and mixed use
- Preferences/Vision: benches and exercise features on trails, speed limit needs to be addressed near park and near school, delta view, safety for kids walking to school, more lights, entrance to Pittsburg signage, people think I live in Bay Point

Focus Area 2 – Downtown Sub-Area:

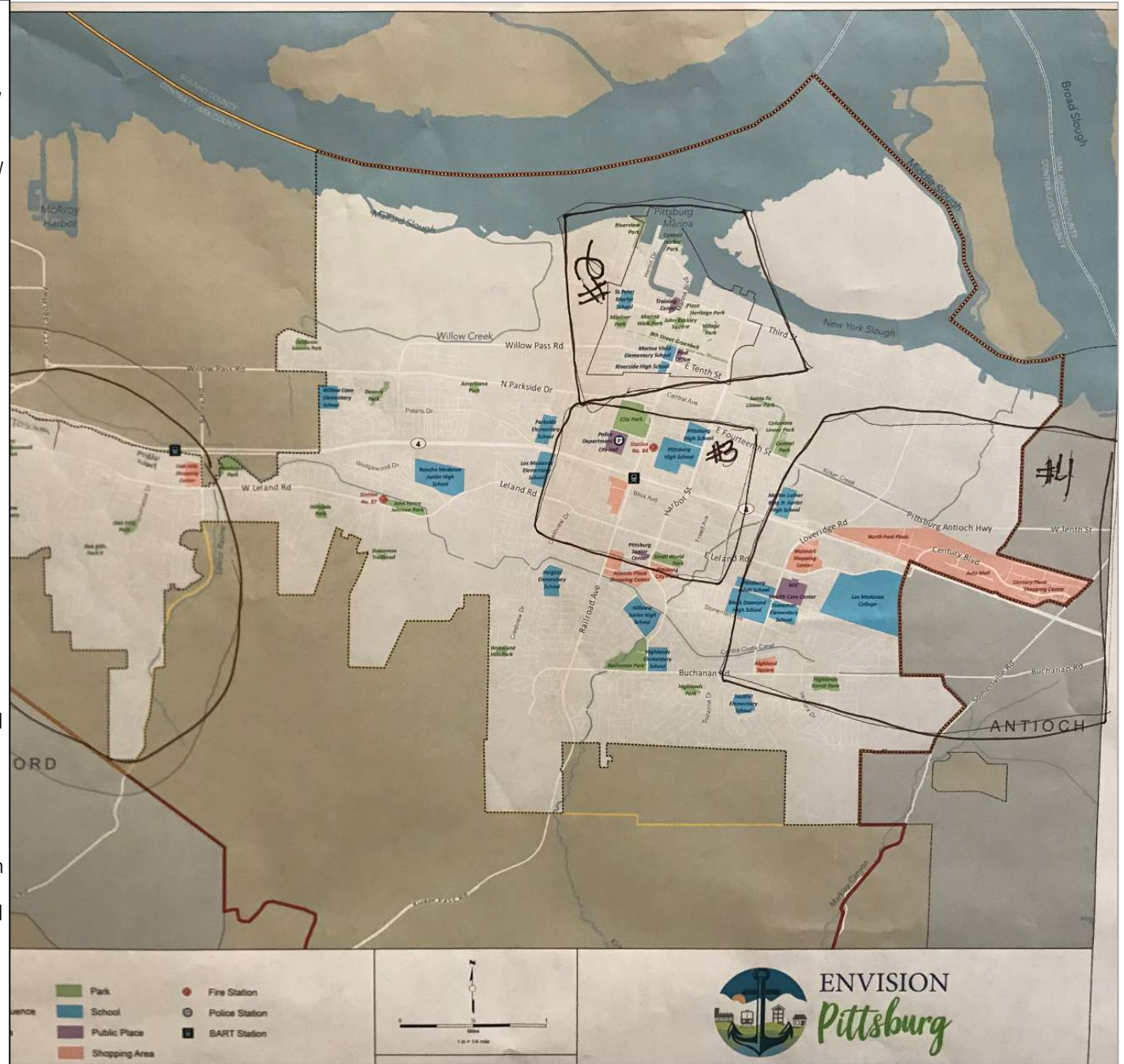
- Key Features: revitalize waterfront and downtown area
- Placemaking and Design Actions: streetscape, distinctive design, restore and renovate, and community amenities
- Desired Land Uses: retail and services and office
- Preferences/Vision: waterpark, add cheesecake factory downtown or on the waterfront, add benches and exercise equipment along Marina

Focus Area 3 – near Railroad BART Station:

- Placemaking and Design Actions: restore and renovate and streetscape
- Desired Land Uses: high density residential
- Preferences/Vision: walking overpass from Bliss to BART Station

Focus Area 4 – eastern portion of City:

- Key Features: revitalize shopping areas, clean up, clean up paper, shrubs medians
- Placemaking and Design Actions: restore and renovate, streetscape, and distinctive design
- Preferences/Vision: cleanup shopping areas, Wal-Mart, WIC Health Care Center, along Loweridge and Leland, revitalize Century Shopping Center



GROUP #4 MAP

Focus Area 1 – “Streetscaping/Redesign Streets” throughout City, including Buchanan Rd, Railroad Ave, Leland Rd, Willow Pass Rd, Parkside Dr, and Loveridge Rd:

- Placemaking and Design Actions: streetscape, community amenities, identification, and distinctive design
- Desired Land Uses: retail and services, public facility, and mixed use
- Preferences/Vision: walkable, people-focused buildings that will draw people out of their cars, remove the walls that divide, make main corridors through town aesthetically pleasing

Focus Area 2 – “San Marco”:

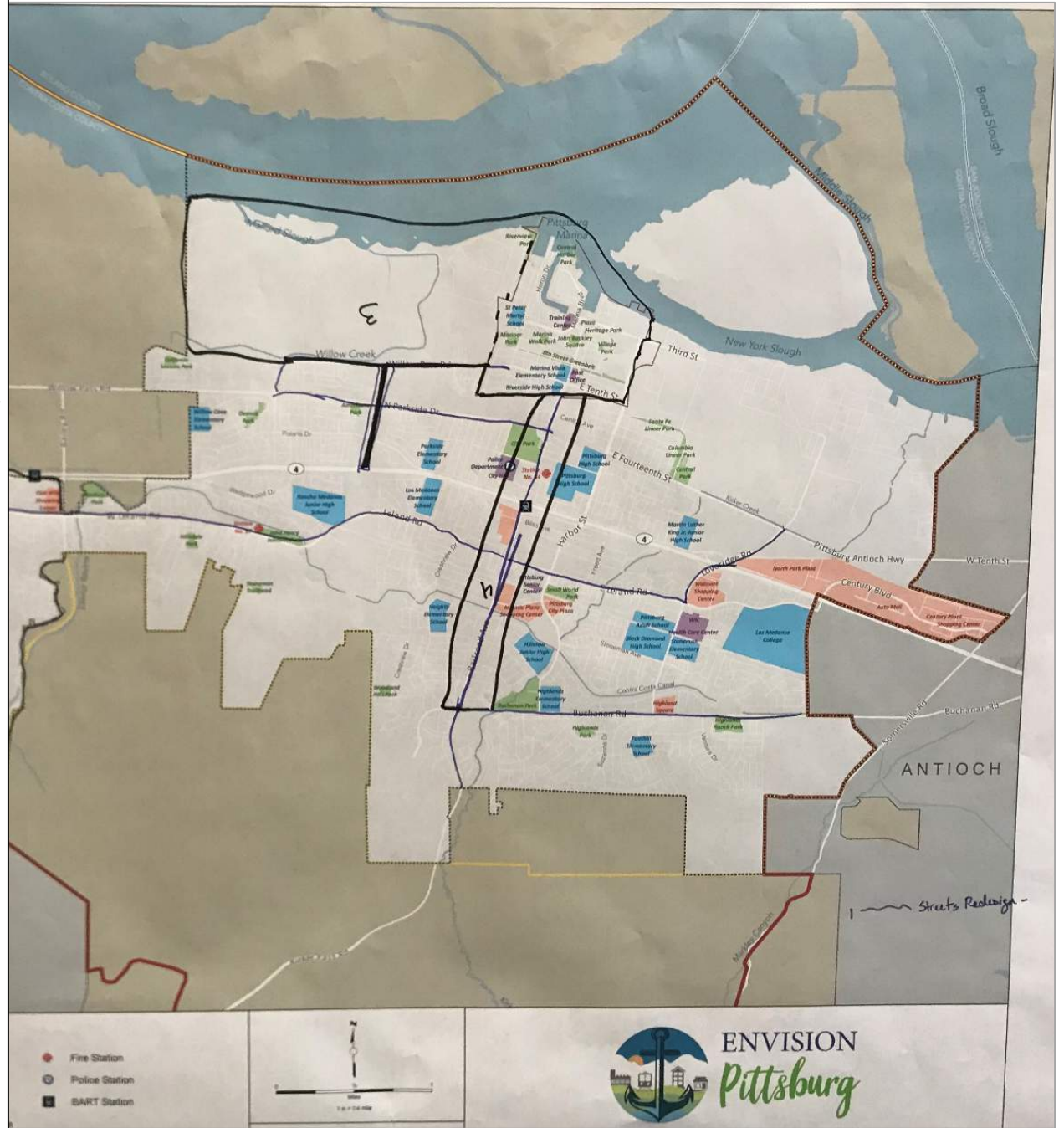
- Key Features: new, distinctive design, suburban hills, BART Station
- Placemaking and Design Actions: identification, streetscape, distinctive design, and community amenities
- Desired Land Uses: public facility, low density residential, mixed use, and retail and services
- Preferences/Vision: retail services, trailheads and staging area for parks, public facilities (schools, community center, mixed use)

Focus Area 3 – “Downtown and Marina”:

- Key Features: water front, old town, brown fields, recreation, retail, historical preservation, mixed use space, dense
- Placemaking and Design Actions: restore and renovate, identification, streetscape, and community amenities
- Desired Land Uses: retail and services, office, mixed use, public facility, and industrial
- Preferences/Vision: waterfront destination, continue preservation and continue to restore and renovate, maximize use of brown field funds, increase recreational opportunities, more Class A office space, connect to freeway – Range Road connect to Highway 4

Focus Area 4 – Railroad Avenue corridor from Buchanan Road to Tenth Street:

- Key Features: space, high density, mixed use – retail and services
- Placemaking and Design Actions: restore and renovate, streetscape, community amenities, and distinctive design
- Desired Land Uses: mixed use, retail and services, office, and affordable and special needs housing
- Preferences/Vision: very walkable, build up, high density, transit-oriented development, with mixed use, retail opportunities, and office space



GROUP #5 MAP

Focus Area 1 – “Marina”:

- Key Features: harbor, fishing, recreation, parks, restaurants, seafood festival, history
- Placemaking and Design Actions: streetscapes (sidewalks, lighting, boardwalk), mixed use (more restaurants, small business, housing for seniors), community amenities (parking spaces, more lighting, local artist work and murals), identification (more acknowledgement of history, more signage to promote)
- Desired Land Uses: affordable and special needs housing (housing for seniors, special needs), restore and renovate (upkeep – make more updated, pave gravel lot/lights), retail and services (small local businesses)
- Preferences/Vision: update and make more attractive and appealing as well as safe for all visitors

Focus Area 2 – “Downtown”:

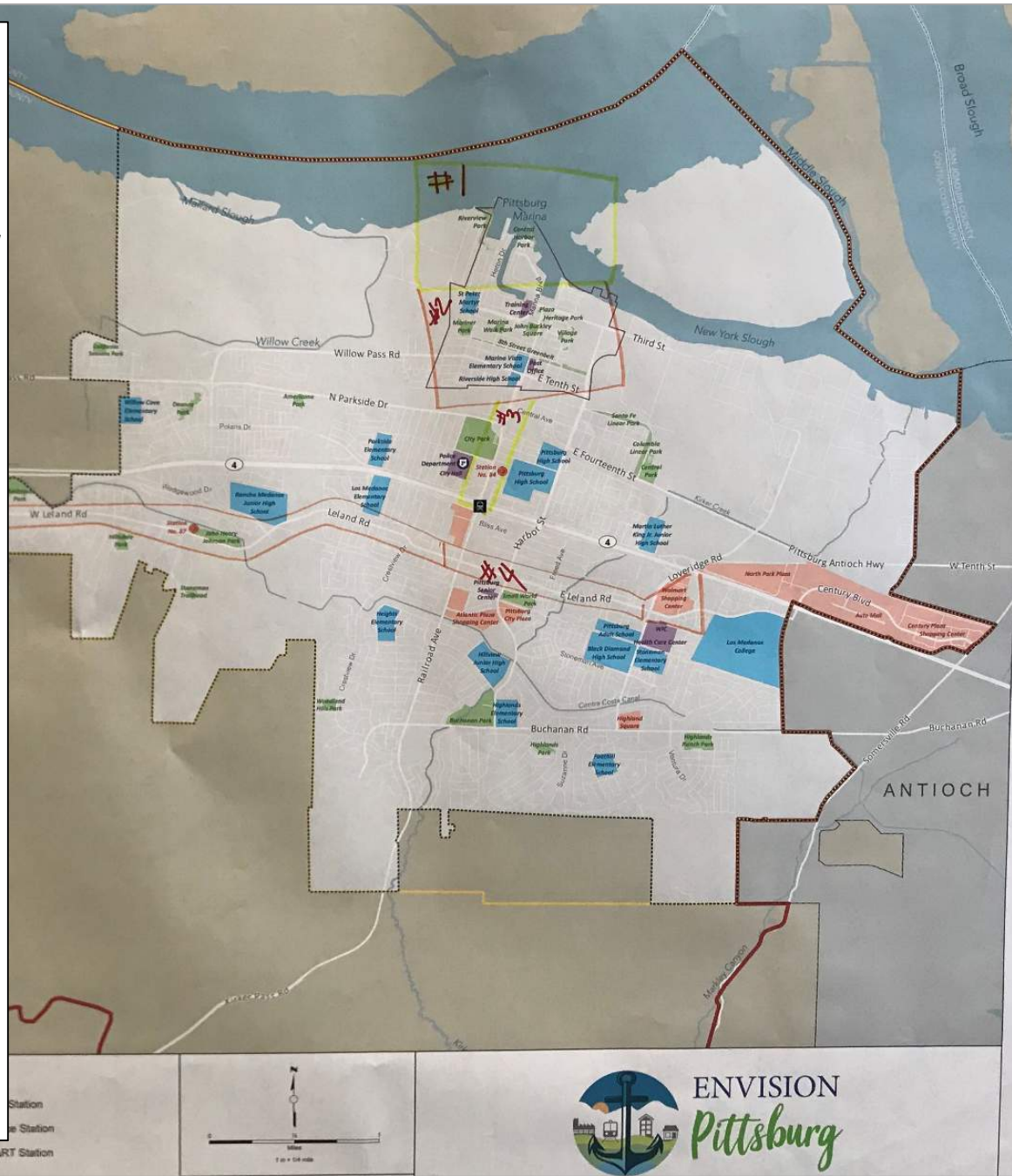
- Key Features: history, architecture, entertainment, restaurants, culture
- Placemaking and Design Actions: identification (there's no advertisement), distinctive design (banners and flags), restore and renovate (maintain old town charm)
- Desired Land Uses: retail and services (need more local shops and small business), and mixed use (make permits affordable for businesses)
- Preferences/Vision: make it more vibrant and desirable for people to come out here, more festivals

Focus Area 3 – “Railroad Avenue”:

- Key Features: main street through town – access to freeway and to downtown
- Placemaking and Design Actions: restore and renovate (clean it up, continue landscaping), and streetscape (pedestrian friendly, safe environment)
- Desired Land Uses: mixed use (pedestrian friendly – too much traffic – must find a way to alleviate, fix intersection at Highway 4

Focus Area 4 – “Leland/Loveridge/Wal-Mart”:

- Key Features: another thoroughfare
- Placemaking and Design Actions: restore and renovate (clean up and control traffic / Wal-Mart area)
- Desired Land Uses: work on traffic



GROUP #6 MAP

Focus Area 1 – western portion of City:

- Key Features: insufficient shopping, neglected by City
- Placemaking and Design Actions: identification (mix use), community amenities (night crime)
- Desired Land Uses: mixed use and retail and services
- Preferences/Vision: more localized shopping for San Marcos

Focus Area 2 – Downtown Sub-Area:

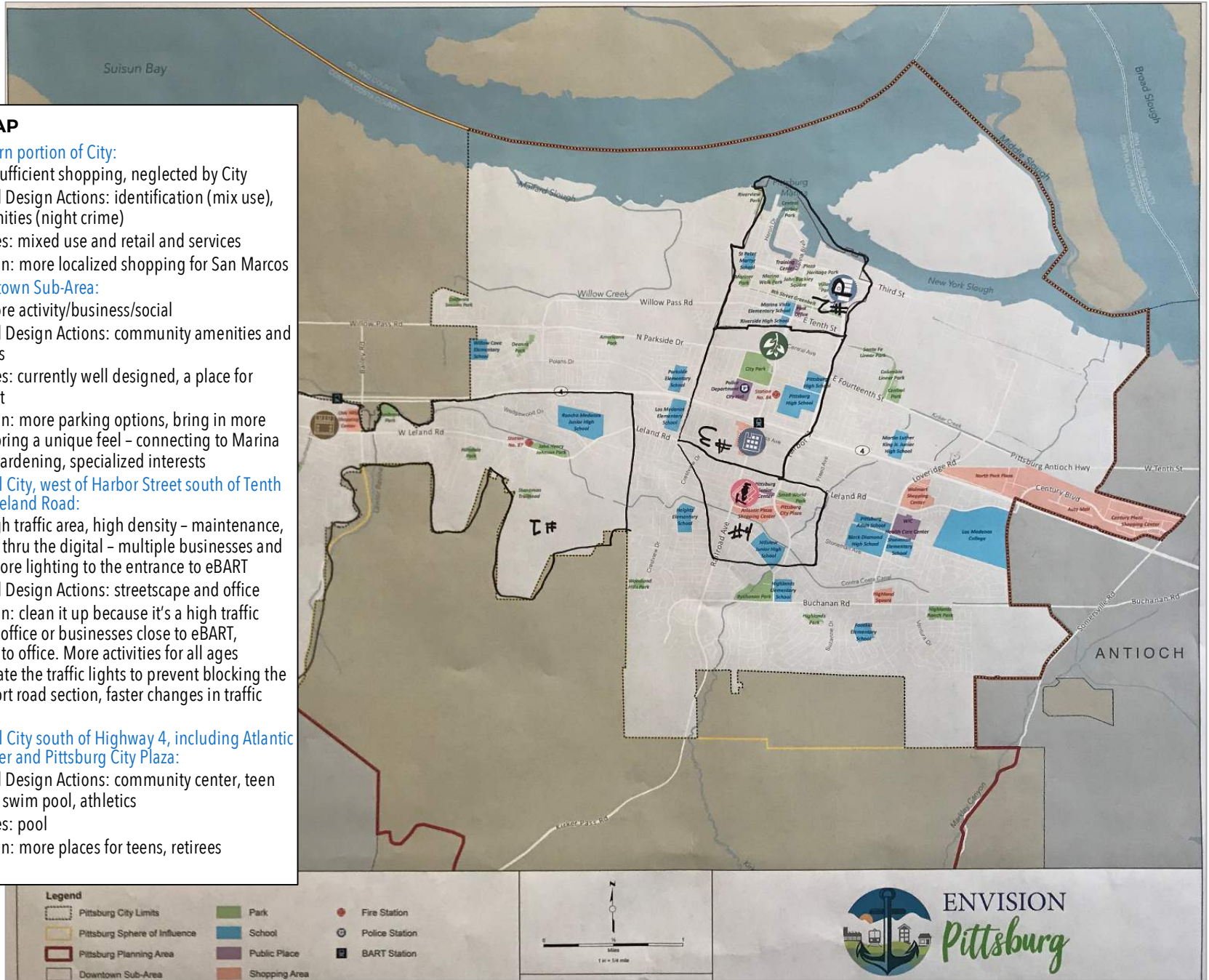
- Key Features: more activity/business/social
- Placemaking and Design Actions: community amenities and retail and services
- Desired Land Uses: currently well designed, a place for people to connect
- Preferences/Vision: more parking options, bring in more businesses that bring a unique feel – connecting to Marina life, decorating/gardening, specialized interests

Focus Area 3 – central City, west of Harbor Street south of Tenth Street, and north of Leland Road:

- Key Features: high traffic area, high density – maintenance, advertising done thru the digital – multiple businesses and local activities, more lighting to the entrance to eBART
- Placemaking and Design Actions: streetscape and office
- Preferences/Vision: clean it up because it's a high traffic area. Need more office or businesses close to eBART, walking distance to office. More activities for all ages (library), coordinate the traffic lights to prevent blocking the intersection – short road section, faster changes in traffic lights.

Focus Area 4 – central City south of Highway 4, including Atlantic Plaza Shopping Center and Pittsburg City Plaza:

- Placemaking and Design Actions: community center, teen and adult center, swim pool, athletics
- Desired Land Uses: pool
- Preferences/Vision: more places for teens, retirees



GROUP #7 MAP

Focus Area 1 – “Downtown”:

- Key Features: restaurants but not enough, insufficient, new marina – more services – get tenants by offering incentives
- Placemaking and Design Actions: identification, community amenities (more seating), restore and renovate (fill the empty office/store space)
- Desired Land Uses: retail and services, mixed use, and office
- Preferences/Vision: fill vacant storefronts and office, professional offices, art gallery, business incubator

Focus Area 2 – “Railroad Avenue”:

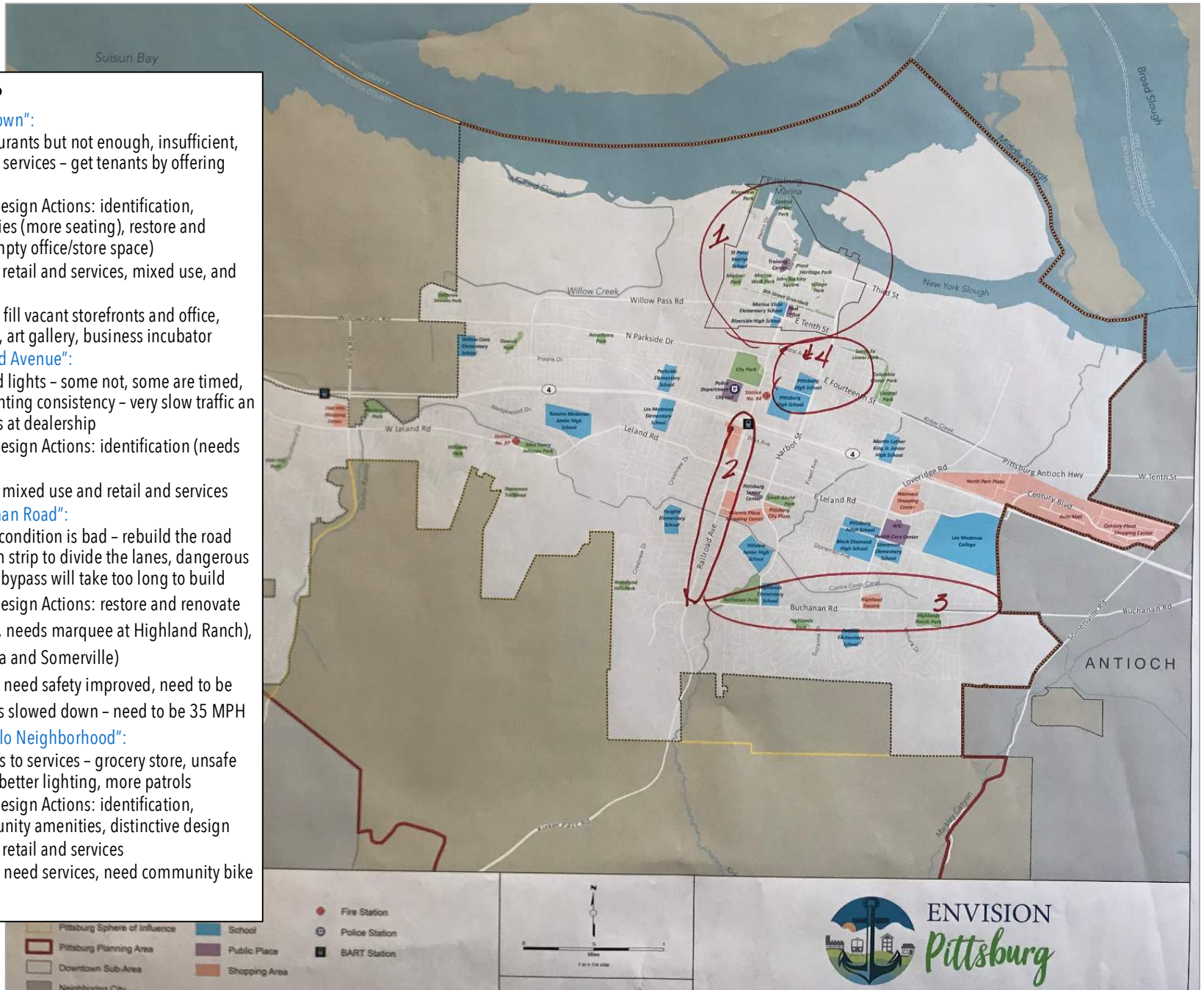
- Key Features: timed lights – some not, some are timed, problem, better lighting consistency – very slow traffic an eye sore, empty lots at dealership
- Placemaking and Design Actions: identification (needs facelift)
- Desired Land Uses: mixed use and retail and services

Focus Area 3 – “Buchanan Road”:

- Key Features: road condition is bad – rebuild the road bed, need a median strip to divide the lanes, dangerous in commute hour – bypass will take too long to build
- Placemaking and Design Actions: restore and renovate (need median strip, needs marquee at Highland Ranch), streetscape (Ventura and Somerville)
- Preferences/Vision: need safety improved, need to be rebuilt, traffic needs slowed down – need to be 35 MPH

Focus Area 4 – “El Pueblo Neighborhood”:

- Key Features: access to services – grocery store, unsafe area – low income, better lighting, more patrols
- Placemaking and Design Actions: identification, streetscape, community amenities, distinctive design
- Desired Land Uses: retail and services
- Preferences/Vision: need services, need community bike path in their plan



POP-UP EVENTS

Help plan our city's future!



ENVISION Pittsburg

During the initial Visioning outreach, City staff attended numerous events throughout the community, including festivals, neighborhood meetings, community events, and school events, to obtain input from a broad and diverse segment of the community that may not attend typical City meetings.

At these events, City staff set up a booth with information regarding the General Plan Update project and asked community members that dropped by the booths to fill out Post-its with their thoughts and ideas regarding:

- Pittsburg's assets
- Challenges that the City is facing
- Their vision for Pittsburg's future

A summary of the input received from the community during each General Plan pop-up event is provided below.



EARTH DAY FESTIVAL POP-UP 4/24/19

City staff facilitated the assets, challenges, and visioning exercise at Los Medanos College's (LMC) Earth Day Festival on April 24, 2019. The event took place in the LMC Outdoor Quad and featured several interactive booths for staff, faculty, and students to celebrate Earth, explore sustainable actions, and support local organizations involved in environmental protection. Approximately 25 students and staff participated in the exercise.

Assets	Challenges	Visions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culture; community events; local business • Power Calpine • Parks, marina • Local sense of community • Tight knit community • LMC; local business community • LMC; people; parks • Veteran organizations and community • Landfill (safe way to dispose trash; soil/compost for sale) • Family activities; kids camps • Farmer's market; local parks; city events • Community involvement; jazz/blues nights • Farmers market • LMC • Parks • Parks • People; culture; local owners • Local businesses • Local businesses; parks • Farmers market; zero Styrofoam laws • LMC • Marina is gorgeous; downtown is nice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homeless shelters • Litter • Being eco-friendlier; zero plastics • Litter; public parks • Affordable housing • Litter; outdated roads; some roads need to be paved and refined • Crime; homelessness • Sea level rise?? • Crime on bike trails • Homelessness; affordable housing; litter • Homelessness • Housing; education • Crime; need for jobs • Crime • Homeless; litter; crime • Housing; education • Old, expensive houses, and buildings • Pollution; litter; rise in homelessness • Cleanliness and homelessness • Updating the streets • Homelessness; rents are getting higher • Drugs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater adult education services • Public restrooms for homeless • Residential and commercial compost bin collection • Clean streets; newly paved roads; more plant life (décor) • More homeless outreach • Clean streets • More services for homeless and clean food for them at shelters • Bike lanes; vibrant historical downtown; thriving community • History; outreach program for children • More parks/after school programs for families • Community gardens • Keep greenspace • Better clean-up efforts; better resources and support for homeless • Their value; history • Affordable housing • Better trained police force; more parks; more public works programs • More affordable housing • Greater overall community involvement • Improved streets and bike lanes • Year-round farmers markets • LMC connected to Pittsburgh • Homeless outreach/shelters • More trees and plants • Affordable housing • Better parks and little league fields; cleaner restrooms in the parks • Community gardens; cleaner streets

TACO, TEQUILA, CERVEZA FESTIVAL POP-UP 5/4/19

City staff facilitated the assets, challenges, and visioning exercise at the City’s annual Taco, Tequila, Cerveza Festival on May 4, 2019. The event took place at City Park and featured food, beverages, live music, a car show, and kid-friendly activities including bouncy houses. Approximately 20 people came by the Envision Pittsburgh pop-up to learn more about the General Plan update and participate in the exercise.

Assets	Challenges	Visions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community • Marina, revitalized downtown area • Downtown; community events; senior services • More sports complex for families • Location • It’s very peaceful • Good community; downtown events; safe place • Dog park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homelessness • Involvement with teens; events to guide them in making good decisions • Low paying jobs • Low foot traffic downtown • Affordable housing • Youth empowerment; lack of after school events & tutoring 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new high school will lessen the traffic – better for teachers • Second high school • Clean streets; revitalized city; community gardens; more resources for low income underserved folks • More healthy food venues on Railroad Avenue • Less homes – too much traffic already • Update parks; repair/update restroom facilities • Have affordable housing; family programs • I would want to see a water park close by • Upgrade and repair parks and play structures; bathroom at all parks; repair and update bathrooms facilities; water park • Keep our fire departments open and fully staffed; walking paths on city streets • More activities in the park; another public high school • Getting more people downtown; better programs for youth • Remodel/upgrade everything from the marina to the freeway • Workspacing • Waterpark •

SAN MARCO NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING POP-UP 5/11/19

City staff facilitated the assets, challenges, and visions exercise at the San Marco Neighborhood Watch meeting on May 11, 2019. The meeting agenda also included an update on crime statistics for the area by the Pittsburgh Police Department. The Community Development Department staff also provided an update on several area projects. About 25 people participated at this meeting.

Assets	Challenges	Visions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsive officials; waterfront; affordable housing (compared to other cities) • Downtown; parks; trails; • Waterfront; downtown events (seafood festival, etc.); public parks; services (police/fire) • Community policing; additions of parks and dog parks; responsive city agencies • Police department; keeping Pittsburg clean and neat • New communities; great city meetings and updates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arco Gas Station location; keeping residents safe; auto-break-ins • Shopping center; less highway traffic; more parks and city traffic; stolen cars • Schools; traffic – speeders; homeless; shopping • Money; handling postal box break-ins; bringing grocery store/restaurants to the area • Homelessness; crime; traffic jam • Traffic; crime in some areas; homeless panhandling; traffic; cost of living; traffic; shopping • Congestion; traffic (extra lanes to increase flow); safe pedestrian, bike, continuous flow; more shopping • Lack of shopping; crime element at shopping centers; need to beautify major streets (trees and flowers) • Property upkeep; creating jobs; bringing great schools; bringing high school; clean air 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better shopping; better jobs; better traffic management • Name brand grocery store (please don't bring another "Las Montanas" type store); work at keeping property values up • Waterfront that attracts visitors; swim club; tennis club; major brand-name shopping centers • Better public services; more trails; more parks; grocery stores; shopping centers; less new homes; walking amenities • Marina – boat or waterfront access improvement; keep events coming; more parks • Retiring all city workers and hiring new innovative employees • More schools • Crime and panhandling in Safeway shopping center on Bailey; traffic flow improvements; more affordable shopping; restaurants that deliver (Chinese, etc.) • Beautify without creating havoc • Expanded parks; family friendly shopping; schools

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT TEAM MEETING POP-UPS 5/15/19 AND 5/18/19

City staff facilitated the assets, challenges, and visions exercise at two of the City’s Spring Neighborhood Improvement Team (NIT) meetings. The first NIT Meeting was held on May 15, 2019 at Buchanan Park and the second meeting was held on May 18, 2019 at the California Theater. The NIT is comprised of City staff representing various departments who are dedicated to improving neighborhoods. The NIT holds neighborhood meetings throughout the City to listen, document, and help resolve citizen’s issues and concerns. About 20 people participated in the assets, challenges, and visions exercise.

Assets	Challenges	Visions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trails • All the 26 parks are an asset you need to keep improving them • Landscaping • Maintain the lake and update the playground in Buchanan Park • City park; golf course; Buchanan Park • Senior center; deep water port • New school buildings • Our parks and so many community events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic; • Keeping Pittsburg free of litters – papers, plastics, furniture like couches, bottles and so on and so forth; • Keeping clear the intersections; coordinate the traffic lights • Traffic on Buchanan Road • With Pittsburg being improved, I’m concerned about overcrowding • Marijuana smoking at the marina needs attention • New development in our hills • Road repairs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skate parks to keep kids from getting in trouble or hurt by riding on the streets; • Major grocery store; • One number to call for city complaints • Like to see e-BART move farther down to Brentwood and beyond • Full shopping centers • Golf course turn into picnic, bbq area, waterpark • Coordinating the traffic lights; shelter for homeless, especially during cold, wet winter; • Lighted crosswalks along Leland • Build activity areas around Kirker Creek in Buchanan Park • Improve the quality of life; more job opportunities; more activities for all ages • More speed limit signs; more traffic calming • Recreation for kids of all ages, especially teens • High end commercial development • Professional offices • Quality restaurants



ART IN THE PARK POP-UP 5/23/19

City staff facilitated the assets, challenges, and visions exercise at the Art in the Park event on May 23, 2019. Art in the Park is a monthly community arts and crafts event hosted by the Pittsburg Arts and Community Foundation (PACF) at John Buckley Square. PACF invites artists to sell their work, network with other artists, and connect with new customers. Ten people participated in the assets, challenges, and visions exercise for this event.

Assets	Challenges	Visions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bart • Car Show • Downtown Improvements • Diversity • Challenges: • Traffic + Development • Development • Roads - potholes • Current e-bart location • Traffic 	<p>None identified</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grocery store near old town • Higher end restaurants/shops • Events and activities for youth • E-bart location closer to LMC

PITTSBURG HIGH SCHOOL POP-UP 5/30/19

City staff facilitated the assets, challenges, and visions exercise at Pittsburg High School quad on May 30, 2019 during lunch time. Students were given their choice of a snack in exchange for their participation. Over 40 students share their insights.

Assets	Challenges	Visions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Just keep it up • Family activities • I like the clean streets and parks • I like how everyone participates in things • The weather • Parks • The movies • The fairs • Transportation • Everyone is friendly • Small world park • Parks • Many events • Atmosphere 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dangerous streets • Ghetto • Streets covered with trash • Too many fast food restaurants • Less violence and gang related activity • Less violence and more participation • I feel unsafe sometimes when I walk home • A lot of trash • Homeless people / need a solution • Don't like that crime is going on • Trash all over • Need more food • Antioch mall is too small, not enough stores • Garbage around the city 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waterpark • Clean up the streets • A mall; a big one • Shopping center • Swimming pool • Arcade • Better looking streets • Mall or a waterpark • Change the environment • More stores for kids • More things to do • Festivals • More parks • Malls, fairs, parks • Waterparks and fast food options • Homeless shelters built • we need waterparks • Skating rink and family activities • Too many homeless people when I walk home • Would like shelters for the homeless • Clean up the city • Cultural center • Movies • Amusement parks • More stores • More fun activities • More public pools • A mall • Opportunities for the youth for their future, more family activities • More bookstores • More dedicated turn lanes • More stores, better stores, more to do



CAR SHOW POP-UP 5/30/19

City staff facilitated the assets, challenges, and visions exercise at the Car Show in Old Town Pittsburg on May 30, 2019. The Car Show is hosted by the City of Pittsburg every other Thursday evening during the summer. It features live bands and classic cars. Ten people participated in the exercise during this event.

Assets	Challenges	Visions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog park on Buchanan • The marina • The weather, the breeze • The vibe the city gives off • Established family-friendly neighborhoods • New buildings, more people • Car shows, 4th of July • Green space (brown), the pretty hills backdrop • Pittsburg is fun, the car shows 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panhandlers • More afterschool programs • Lack of active downtown • The factory–emits pollution! • Lack of destination amenities • Seriously deter crime on the streets • Keeping new venues and restaurants • Lack of civic engagement from citizens • 4 way stop at Cumberland is dangerous • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-op housing • Separate bike paths, allow electric bikes • Mixed use development • More jobs • More concerts • Youth activities • Factory GONE in 20 years- or renewed so it emits clean air into the atmosphere • Cleaner air • Lots of urban trails

ENVISION PITTSBURG SURVEY

During the Visioning process, an on-line survey was distributed on the City's Engage Pittsburg platform to obtain additional community input. The survey received 127 responses. It included questions regarding residency, place of work, age, and home ownership. The survey also had a series of questions to help identify what people love most about Pittsburg; their satisfaction with Pittsburg over a range of topic areas; and their priorities for the General Plan Update.

Most survey respondents:

- Live in Pittsburg - 72%
- Have lived in Pittsburg for 15 or more years- 53%
- Own their own home - 68%
- Work in Pittsburg - 49%

The top five ranked priorities for the General Plan Update included:

- Maintaining the safety and security of Pittsburg's neighborhoods – 98% ranked as Very Important or Important
- Water quality/pollution prevention – 93% ranked as Very Important or Important
- Improving existing housing/neighborhoods - 92% ranked as Very Important or Important
- Economic growth and job creation – 89% ranked as Very Important or Important
- Maintaining the City's financial sustainability – 87% ranked as Very Important or Important

When asked to prioritize guiding principles for the General Plan Update (the principles were drafted based on input from the Visioning Workshops), respondents identified the following as the top three principles:

- Providing a high quality of life for citizens
- Providing adequate retail and services in the city so residents can shop and meet all their needs locally
- Encouraging and supporting business growth to increase employment options, including high-paying and skilled jobs, and reducing commutes.

The full survey report, including each survey question and responses to each question, is provided as Attachment B.

ATTACHMENT A

ASSETS, CHALLENGES, AND VISION POST-ITS SUMMARY

All of the comments from Visioning Workshop #1 and each of the pop-up events held throughout the community related to assets, challenges, and vision are consolidated below. The following table groups the comments received by topic area.

Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
Community Character and Culture	Acceptive/involved Aesthetic appeal Aspects of culture and tradition Atheistic Atmosphere Bring back the Italian culture with events Car Show Car shows, 4th of July City events Community Community Community Community events Community events Community involvement Cultural diversity, Cultural events & opportunities Cultural richness Culture Culture Diverse Community Diverse Population Diversity Diversity Diversity Diversity Diversity in population Diversity in terms of people living here Diversity of people Diversity Downtown Downtown Downtown events Downtown events (seafood festival, etc.) Downtown Improvements Downtown is nice Downtown Marina district	Again the belief that increased population/growth is desirable because of increase in revenue Attracting "New" development Children & families living at the poverty line Clean the equation between development + open space - open space tends to lose Cost of living Demographics Development Encroachment + sprawl Fast growth Friendly community Gentrification Ghetto High proportion of renters & non-owners Integration of resources (improve) Lack of public art/historical awareness Low quality of life Maintaining the small-town appeal Money More event opportunities New development in our hills No on 5G Obstacles/concerns -The old timers- this is the way we've always done it- keep it that way, Communication to all or lack of? Outside perception Perception of city (external perception) Poverty Putting growth revenue above quality of life Quality of life Smaller town compare to a major city	"Non-gentrified" growth - maintaining and valuing existing diversity A diverse, well-educated community without significant economic inequities A thriving arts culture downtown All those things that make good community Allowing artists, musicians, etc. To share their talents more often and more openly Balance - I.E., Berkeley liberal and conservative ideas Balanced development Beautiful Pittsburg Beautify without creating havoc Better fireworks show for 4th of July (visually especially for those who can't get to the Bay) Build strong art community Change the environment Community gardens Community gardens Community gardens Community gardens Complete neighborhoods with walkable amenities Creating positive attitudes with proud residents Cultural center Fairs Festivals Greater overall community involvement Growth and expansion without displacement History History Improve the quality of life Keep events coming Less new homes LMC connected to Pittsburg

ATTACHMENT A

Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
	<p>Enormous Potential for evolution- mindful Established family-friendly neighborhoods Everyone is friendly Family activities Family activities Friendly, helpful neighbors Geography Good community Good People, Spacious feel Great historical story History I like how everyone participates in things Informing all Integration of resources It's very peaceful Jazz/blues nights Just keep it up Landscaping Local sense of community Location Location Location and Access Location in the bay area Longtime residents Many events Marina Marina Marina & events there needs to utilize the area better Marina is gorgeous Marina to the north and the hills to the south Marina, Festivals Marina, revitalized downtown area Marina/Boat Launching, marching band, Natural beauty New buildings, more people New communities Old town Our diverse community rich history People People People, potential Pittsburg is fun</p>	<p>With Pittsburg being improved, I'm concerned about overcrowding Work more with our neighboring cities on common problems Zoning for future uses</p>	<p>More concerts More fun activities More plant life (décor) More stewardship of public spaces by residents More things to do More to do More trees and plants Movies My ideal is for Pittsburg to become known as a great place to raise a family, great quality of life Opportunities for the youth for their future, more family activities Pittsburg to have identity Revitalized city Round 1 (entertainment center) Smarter development – balancing it in a way that preserves Pittsburg's character but allows us to move forward Their value Thriving community To be able to eat, shop, and be entertained in Pittsburg Vibrant historical downtown Work at keeping property values up</p>

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Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
	<p>Pittsburg Pride Pittsburg pride Rich, multicultural diversity Sense of Community Sharing traditions Slower pace, historic neighbors, culturally diverse Small Size in Terms of Population, geography, the historical aspects. Small town feel Small town feel but close to major cities So many cultures Still a small enough city Strong Industrial history the car shows The Central Old town area is an incredible city asset with lots of open gathering space for the community. The community connection with neighbors is great and should remain intact. It creates the small-town charm and appeal. The fairs The investment in the physical school structures + infrastructure has helped w/ the physical appeal of Pittsburg (and Pride) The marina The Marina, the theater The vibe the city gives off The weather The weather, the breeze Tight knit community Vibrant, diverse community Waterfront Waterfront Waters views and pro-family Weather Weather, everything is acceptable Weather, Marina</p>		
Mobility	<p>BART BART BART Bus service Buses, Rides</p>	<p>4 way stop at Cumberland is dangerous Anti-pedestrian culture/walkability City traffic</p>	<p>Better looking streets Better traffic management Bike lanes Clean streets Clean streets</p>

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Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
	Trails Trails Transportation	Communicating with own residents that dependence on the automobile for long distance ends in a dead end Congestion Coordinate the traffic lights Current e-bart location Dangerous streets Keeping clear the intersections Less highway traffic Need to beautify major streets (trees and flowers) Outdated roads Road repairs Roads - potholes Safe pedestrian, bike, continuous flow Some roads need to be paved and refined Streets covered with trash Traffic Traffic Traffic Traffic Traffic Traffic Traffic Traffic Traffic - speeders Traffic (extra lanes to increase flow) Traffic + Development Traffic congestion Traffic congestion Traffic control Traffic jam Traffic on Buchanan Road Traffic on Railroad Ave./ BART Traffic through Pittsburg, commute is a significant issue, as a resident it can take 70+ minutes just to get out of Pittsburg Traffic, Traffic: Circulation is not meeting the communicates needs Traffic!! It sucks. Traffic. Trails improvement	Clean up the streets Cleaner streets Controlled and regulated traffic flow Coordinating the traffic lights E-bart location closer to LMC Improved streets and bike lanes Less homes - too much traffic already Lighted crosswalks along Leland Like to see e-BART move farther down to Brentwood and beyond Lots of urban trails More dedicated turn lanes More speed limit signs More traffic calming More trails More transportation options More walking, biking and community interaction New high school will lessen the traffic Newly paved roads Orderly traffic Pittsburg is a bikeable community that is safe and has a very positive reputation Separate bike paths, allow electric bikes Shuttle on Railroad Avenue Traffic flow improvements Walkable neighborhoods Walkable/bikeable Walking amenities Walking paths on city streets Walking paths on city streets

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Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
City Government	<p>Great city meetings and updates Responsive city agencies Responsive officials The responsiveness of the city policy makers and staff to the needs & wants of the residents. The fired responsibility of our city. Don't spend more than we take in. There is a sense of history. Acknowledge the past, even as we move forward. Value Most Value- we have a Marina → downtown, value → theater, art and performance venue, value → involvement w/ community</p>	<p>Updating the streets City council, nepotism, pre-planned back door deals Community engagement Engagement in the community is limited Lack of civic engagement from citizens More community engagement, More community engagement Pittsburg can't say no to Seeno Residents are ignored The PERS debacle and City budget impacts related to benefits Unfunded mandates</p>	<p>Better notification of city events - all should know without having to drive by a billboard and BART that doesn't always work City Council that listens to citizens City to listen to citizens Marketing, advanced notice, communication More inclusive of all community members (marginalized community members) More involvement by residents Open minded council members</p>
Public Safety	<p>Low Crime More police in the streets Pittsburg PD (+/-), Police presence</p>	<p>Auto-break-ins Crime Crime Crime Crime Crime Crime Crime element at shopping centers Crime in some areas Crime on bike trails Crime prevention Don't like that crime is going on Drugs Handling postal box break-ins I feel unsafe sometimes when I walk home Keeping residents safe Less violence and gang related activity Less violence and more participation Marijuana smoking at the marina needs attention Panhandlers People doing donuts + the police don't do anything even when vehicle info is provided. Perception of crime: Reality, Safety.</p>	<p>Better trained police force Community policing Crime and panhandling in Safeway shopping center on Bailey Keep our fire departments open and fully staffed Leave a safe town to the next generation Less crime where you feel safe to go to the store at night More police monitoring of parks - Buchanan Park has a lot of strange people and the children walk alone. Reduced crime Safe place Safety</p>

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Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
		Police enforcement - lots of break ins Safety (car break ins) Seriously deter crime on the streets Stolen cars There are a lot of men on the streets that I don't like, and on the school playgrounds and in the parks	
Community Cleanliness and Maintenance	I like the clean streets and parks Keeping Pittsburg clean and neat	A lot of trash Cleanliness Garbage around the city Keeping Pittsburg free of litters – papers, plastics, furniture like couches, bottles and so on and so forth Litter Litter Litter Litter Litter Litter Litter/debris problems. Property upkeep Trash all over Trash	Better clean up efforts Clean streets Clean streets Clean streets Clean streets Clean streets Clean up parks Clean up the city Cleaner restrooms in the parks Cleanliness No dumping Remodel/upgrade everything from the marina to the freeway
Homelessness		Growing homeless population Growth of homelessness Homeless Homeless Homeless Homeless in downtown Homeless panhandling Homeless people / need a solution Homeless shelters Homeless- no east county shelter Homelessness Homelessness Homelessness Homelessness Homelessness Homelessness Homelessness Homelessness Homelessness	Better resources and support for homeless Better services and solutions for our homeless population Homeless outreach/shelters Homeless shelters built More homeless outreach More homeless outreach More services for homeless and clean food for them at shelters No homeless Public restrooms for homeless Shelter for homeless, especially during cold, wet winter Too many homeless people when I walk home Would like shelters for the homeless

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Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
		Homelessness problems Not any or enough services for the homeless	
Recreation	Additions of parks and dog parks All the 26 parks are an asset you need to keep improving them Buchanan Park City park Dog park Dog park on Buchanan Golf course Local parks Maintain the lake and update the playground in Buchanan Park More sports complex for families Our parks and so many community events Parks Parks Parks Parks Parks Parks Public parks Small world park	More parks Movies at the park Park safety Public parks Skateboard park	A waterpark Amusement parks Arcade Bathroom at all parks Better parks and little league fields Build activity areas around Kirker Creek in Buchanan Park Events and activities for youth Expanded parks Golf course turn into picnic, bbq area, waterpark Marina - boat or waterfront access improvement More activities for all ages More activities in the park More parks More parks More parks More parks More parks More parks and recreation for kids More public pools More recreational activities for community New, large recreational center and fields Parks Parks with community pools and activities Recreation Recreation for kids of all ages, especially teens Repair/update restroom facilities Safe and accessible parks and trails Skate park for the youth Skate parks to keep kids from getting in trouble or hurt by riding on the streets Skateboard parks Skating rink and family activities Swim club Swimming pool Tennis club

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Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
			Update parks Upgrade and repair parks and play structures and bathrooms Water park Water park Water park Waterpark Waterpark Waterparks and fast food options We need waterparks Wide park Youth activities
Youth and Education	High school Kids camps LMC LMC LMC LMC Los Medanos More schools New school buildings Schools	Bringing great schools Bringing high school Education Education Education: enough schools for population growth How to upgrade the educational opportunities for high school Involvement with teens, events to guide them in making good decisions Lack of after school events & tutoring Lack of schools Low rated schools More afterschool programs More kids' recreation, like pound 1 More recreation avenue for kids since we have to so far out Not enough activities for young people 3-17 years of age Performance of schools School safety Schools Schools - you got 4 middle schools and only 1 high school Schools need improvement The schools need air conditioning There isn't a lot of vigilance in the elementary schools There isn't air conditioning in the school Youth empowerment	A new high school will lessen the traffic - better for teachers After school programs for families Another public high school Another public high school Better programs for youth Better schools, two languages for all Education (improvements building wise) Great schools Greater adult education services Highlands Elementary School - no parking, no safe crosswalks, too much traffic, children are not safe More activities for young people 3-17 years of age More jobs for youth More of the same at Los Medanos College More schools Outreach program for children Pittsburg's schools rate 10 at greatschools.com Schools Second high school Strong schools and reputation of schools that propel student success and attract families to live here Youth center offering technical training for parents in the morning and youth after school

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Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
		Youth opportunities x work and distract	Youth opportunities and youth input
Community Services	Public services- Schools, Library Senior center Senior services Veteran organizations and community		Better public services Family programs Family programs More activities in the park More healthcare facilities More public works programs More resources for low income underserved folks New library downtown One number to call for city complaints Residential and commercial compost bin collection Retiring all city workers and hiring new innovative employees
Open Space	Acts as a buffer between communities, you know where you are, cities don't run together Green space (brown), the pretty hills backdrop Hills Hills and Water Hillside, waterfront	Protect open space	Keep greenspace Maintain beauty of hillsides Maintain the urban limit line
Sustainability	Clean Water Landfill (safe way to dispose trash, soil/compost for sale) Water Zero Styrofoam laws	Air quality and pollution-related health effects Being more eco-friendly Better conservation policies Bring in greener, less polluting [businesses and industry]. Clean air Clean air around freeway Environmental justice Environmental justice Habitat restoration Habitat restoration Habitat restoration + environmental justice Keller Canyon Clean-up odor Noise ordinances not enforced in neighborhoods Pollution Sea level rise The factory-emits pollution! Transition to renewable energy - will create jobs in the State	City-subsidized solar Cleaner air Factory GONE in 20 years- or renewed so it emits clean air into the atmosphere Full reclamation of brownfields Recycled water everywhere Reduce dependency on fossil fuels Renewable energy (electric turbines inside water mains)

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Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
		and requires action from local government. Zero plastics	
Shopping	Farmer's market Farmers market Farmers market Shopping areas	Antioch mall is too small, not enough stores Attracting higher end retail & restaurants to old town Bigger-better farmer's markets Bringing grocery store/restaurants to the area Lack of retail Lack of shopping More shopping Need more food Shopping Shopping Shopping center Too many fast food restaurants	A mall A mall A thriving destination city for shopping and dining Better grocery stores Better shopping Better stores Downtown shopping Family friendly shopping Full shopping centers Grocery store near old town Grocery stores Higher end restaurants/shops Major brand-name shopping centers Major grocery store Mall - a big one Malls More affordable shopping More book stores More healthy food venues on Railroad Avenue More stores More stores More stores for kids Name brand grocery store (please don't bring another "las montanas" type store) Quality restaurants Restaurants that deliver (chinese, etc.) Retail Shopping center Shopping centers Trader joes Year-round farmers markets
Economic Development	Affordable Living (Compared to neighboring cities) Deep water port Local business Local business Local business community Local businesses Local owners Power Calpine Revenue seems to grow based on new housing	ARCO gas station location Attract sustainable business to create green, clean, safe employment. Attracting new businesses Creating jobs Downtown area- keeping retail growing and full Economic drought Employment in the region is very important.	All support local businesses, especially the City, when hosting events Attract 25- to 40-year-old working people Better jobs Big businesses with offices so residents don't have to commute – bring in Chevron, AT&T Business growth

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Topic Area	Assets	Challenges	Vision
	The movies	Fill the vacancies in downtown area How to increase Old Town traffic, Job opportunities Keeping new venues and restaurants Lack of active downtown Lack of destination amenities Lack of truly life sustaining/salaried jobs Local jobs Low foot traffic downtown Low paying jobs Need for jobs Not enough jobs Not enough thriving businesses downtown, since there are not enough, business money is being spent outside the city Not enough viable businesses downtown The old town is highly underutilized. There are too many closed storefronts and businesses are struggling to stay open There are very few jobs in Pittsburg, the community leaves Pittsburg to go to work	Businesses/shops Economic growth Entertainment Getting more people downtown Good jobs to housing balance Good paying jobs for residents High end commercial development Job centers at both BART stations More job opportunities More jobs Professional offices Revitalization of our downtown Thriving business community that offers services and resources that the entire community can benefit from – residents don't have to leave Pittsburg Vibrant downtown with lots of community events Vibrant economic downtown Waterfront that attracts visitors Workspacing
Housing	Affordable Home purchase Affordable housing (compared to other cities)	Affordable housing Affordable housing Affordable housing Concentration of income levels Cost of housing/housing issues Housing Housing Housing Housing for current residents Market rate housing alternatives More middle-income housing downtown to support retail downtown Old, expensive houses Rents are getting higher The state (ABAG) taking over the planning of our housing	Affordable housing Affordable housing Affordable housing Affordable housing Better senior housing Co-op housing Homeownership Housing navigators Less apartment complexes Mixed incomes in neighborhoods Mixed use development More affordable housing More affordable housing More single-family ownership Zoning to include tiny home development and home ownership

ATTACHMENT B

ENVISION PITTSBURG SURVEY RESULTS



PITTSBURG
CALIFORNIA

Envision Pittsburg Survey

June 17, 2019, 10:28 AM

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Topic Registration Type: No registration

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Summary Of Responses

Topic Registration Type: No registration

As of June 17, 2019, 10:28 AM, this forum had:	Topic Start
Attendees: 242	May 14, 2019, 2:11 PM
Responses: 127	
Hours of Public Comment: 6.4	

QUESTION 1

Do you live in Pittsburg?

		%	Count
Yes, I live in the City		71.7%	91
No, I live outside the City		28.3%	36

QUESTION 2

How long have you lived in Pittsburg or the Pittsburg area?

		%	Count
Less than 2 years		2.4%	3
2-5 years		10.2%	13
6-10 years		9.4%	12
11-15 years		5.5%	7
15+ years		52.8%	67
I don't live in Pittsburg or the Pittsburg area		19.7%	25

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QUESTION 3

Do you?

		%	Count
Own your own home		67.7%	86
Rent your home		6.3%	8
Live with family or friends		6.3%	8
I don't live in Pittsburg		19.7%	25

QUESTION 4

Do you work in Pittsburg?

		%	Count
Yes, I own my own business		3.1%	4
Yes, I work for someone else		45.7%	58
No, I am a student		1.6%	2
No, I am retired		21.3%	27
No, I don't work in Pittsburg		28.3%	36







QUESTION 5

What do you love most about Pittsburg? (check all that apply)

		%	Count
Parks and recreation		28.3%	36
Location		52.0%	66
Safety		17.3%	22

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		%	Count
Quiet atmosphere		27.6%	35
Schools		21.3%	27
Community events		29.1%	37
Neighbors/community members		40.2%	51
Visual quality/the way it looks		15.0%	19
Other		26.8%	34

QUESTION 6

How would you rate the quality of life in Pittsburg?

		%	Count
Excellent		3.9%	5
Good		55.9%	71
Fair		35.4%	45
Poor		4.7%	6

QUESTION 7

Please explain your answer above.

Answered	127
Skipped	0

all also area areas better community could crime downtown events feel from good life like live lot more much need needs nice other people pittsburg quality s safety school see shopping SO still t they think too traffic up work

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QUESTION 8

How do you feel about the way Pittsburg has changed over time?

		%	Count
Very satisfied		22.0%	28
Somewhat satisfied		56.7%	72
Somewhat dissatisfied		15.0%	19
Very dissatisfied		6.3%	8

QUESTION 9

Please explain your answer above.

Answered	127
Skipped	0

all also area areas **been better** businesses **community do don** downtown feel from **great housing** improvements **like** lot more
much need needs new now people **pittsburg** restaurants **S** schools see seen **so some t** town **traffic up** used way **years**

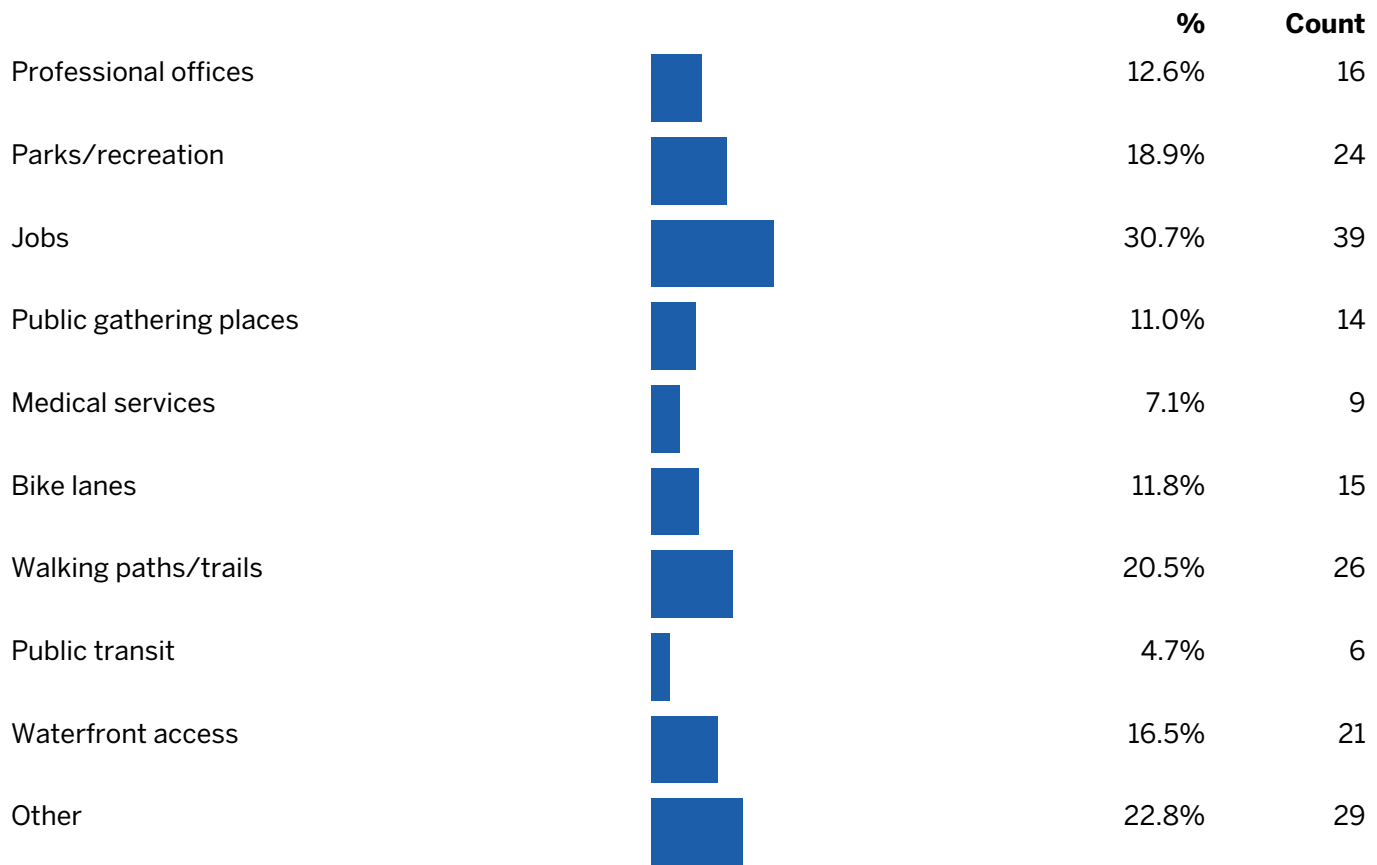
QUESTION 10

**What would you like to see more of in Pittsburg?
(pick up to three)**

		%	Count
Shops		34.6%	44
Restaurants		40.2%	51
Entertainment/cultural facilities		33.1%	42
Variety of housing choices		21.3%	27

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QUESTION 11

Please rate your level of satisfaction on a scale from 1 to 5 with the following:

Pittsburg as a place to live



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		%	Count
N/A - No Opinion		11.0%	14

Pittsburg as a place to work

		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		21.3%	27
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		18.1%	23
3 - Mixed		20.5%	26
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		10.2%	13
5 - Very Dissatisfied		7.9%	10
N/A - No Opinion		22.0%	28

Pittsburg as a place to shop

		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		3.9%	5
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		13.4%	17
3 - Mixed		22.0%	28
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		29.1%	37
5 - Very Dissatisfied		28.3%	36
N/A - No Opinion		3.1%	4

Pittsburg as a place to bring your out of town friends and family to visit






		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		7.1%	9

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		%	Count
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		11.8%	15
3 - Mixed		38.6%	49
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		19.7%	25
5 - Very Dissatisfied		18.1%	23
N/A - No Opinion		4.7%	6

Pittsburg's physical appearance

		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		6.3%	8
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		29.9%	38
3 - Mixed		31.5%	40
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		22.8%	29
5 - Very Dissatisfied		9.4%	12







Traffic flow in and through the City (internal to the City of Pittsburg)

		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		4.7%	6
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		21.3%	27
3 - Mixed		26.0%	33
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		22.8%	29
5 - Very Dissatisfied		23.6%	30
N/A - No Opinion		1.6%	2







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Traffic along the freeway or around freeway on/off ramps

		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		3.1%	4
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		15.7%	20
3 - Mixed		24.4%	31
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		26.8%	34
5 - Very Dissatisfied		28.3%	36
N/A - No Opinion		1.6%	2

Maintenance of streets




		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		5.5%	7
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		26.8%	34
3 - Mixed		29.9%	38
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		17.3%	22
5 - Very Dissatisfied		18.9%	24
N/A - No Opinion		1.6%	2

Fire services







		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		26.8%	34
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		36.2%	46
3 - Mixed		10.2%	13

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		%	Count
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		2.4%	3
5 - Very Dissatisfied		1.6%	2
N/A - No Opinion		22.8%	29

Emergency medical services

		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		22.8%	29
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		31.5%	40
3 - Mixed		14.2%	18
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		3.1%	4
5 - Very Dissatisfied		4.7%	6
N/A - No Opinion		23.6%	30







Police services

		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		23.6%	30
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		39.4%	50
3 - Mixed		11.8%	15
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		11.0%	14
5 - Very Dissatisfied		5.5%	7
N/A - No Opinion		8.7%	11







Activities for youth

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		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		5.5%	7
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		21.3%	27
3 - Mixed		28.3%	36
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		11.8%	15
5 - Very Dissatisfied		15.0%	19
N/A - No Opinion		18.1%	23

Activities for seniors



		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		3.9%	5
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		19.7%	25
3 - Mixed		24.4%	31
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		6.3%	8
5 - Very Dissatisfied		7.9%	10
N/A - No Opinion		37.8%	48

Community gatherings and events







		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		8.7%	11
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		33.1%	42
3 - Mixed		29.1%	37
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		11.0%	14

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		%	Count
5 - Very Dissatisfied		8.7%	11
N/A - No Opinion		9.4%	12

Existing parks and recreation facilities

		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		9.4%	12
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		40.2%	51
3 - Mixed		23.6%	30
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		14.2%	18
5 - Very Dissatisfied		7.1%	9
N/A - No Opinion		5.5%	7

Infrastructure services (water, sewer, solid waste, etc.)

		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		12.6%	16
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		35.4%	45
3 - Mixed		21.3%	27
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		9.4%	12
5 - Very Dissatisfied		7.9%	10
N/A - No Opinion		13.4%	17

City's use of technology to communicate with residents

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		%	Count
1 - Very Satisfied		12.6%	16
2 - Somewhat Satisfied		26.8%	34
3 - Mixed		29.9%	38
4 - Somewhat Dissatisfied		8.7%	11
5 - Very Dissatisfied		7.1%	9
N/A - No Opinion		15.0%	19

QUESTION 12

Rank the priority of the General Plan addressing the following development-related issues on a scale of 1 to 5.

Economic growth/job creation

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		62.2%	79
2 - Important		26.8%	34
3 - Somewhat Important		6.3%	8
4 - Low Importance		3.9%	5
5 - Not Important		0.8%	1

Attract more shops and restaurants






		%	Count
1 - Very Important		44.9%	57
2 - Important		31.5%	40

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		%	Count
3 - Somewhat Important		15.7%	20
4 - Low Importance		5.5%	7
5 - Not Important		2.4%	3

Expand housing choices

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		25.2%	32
2 - Important		25.2%	32
3 - Somewhat Important		29.1%	37
4 - Low Importance		14.2%	18
5 - Not Important		6.3%	8

Improve existing housing/neighborhoods



		%	Count
1 - Very Important		58.3%	74
2 - Important		33.1%	42
3 - Somewhat Important		7.1%	9
4 - Low Importance		1.6%	2

Improve the overall road system

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		50.4%	64
2 - Important		29.1%	37

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		%	Count
3 - Somewhat Important		17.3%	22
4 - Low Importance		2.4%	3
5 - Not Important		0.8%	1

Make walking/biking around the community easier

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		38.6%	49
2 - Important		25.2%	32
3 - Somewhat Important		22.8%	29
4 - Low Importance		10.2%	13
5 - Not Important		3.1%	4

Improve access to public transportation

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		26.8%	34
2 - Important		37.8%	48
3 - Somewhat Important		24.4%	31
4 - Low Importance		7.9%	10
5 - Not Important		3.1%	4

Increase amount of parks/open space facilities

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		29.1%	37

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		%	Count
2 - Important		31.5%	40
3 - Somewhat Important		26.8%	34
4 - Low Importance		9.4%	12
5 - Not Important		3.1%	4

Maintain the City's financial sustainability

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		66.1%	84
2 - Important		20.5%	26
3 - Somewhat Important		11.8%	15
4 - Low Importance		0.8%	1
5 - Not Important		0.8%	1

Maintain a high level of quality recreation, leisure, and social programs and facilities

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		44.9%	57
2 - Important		33.1%	42
3 - Somewhat Important		16.5%	21
4 - Low Importance		4.7%	6
5 - Not Important		0.8%	1

Make local efforts to address climate change

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		%	Count
1 - Very Important		37.0%	47
2 - Important		26.8%	34
3 - Somewhat Important		22.0%	28
4 - Low Importance		10.2%	13
5 - Not Important		3.9%	5

Maintain safety and security of Pittsburg's neighborhoods

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		85.0%	108
2 - Important		12.6%	16
3 - Somewhat Important		2.4%	3

Flood control

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		27.6%	35
2 - Important		37.0%	47
3 - Somewhat Important		18.1%	23
4 - Low Importance		11.8%	15
5 - Not Important		5.5%	7

Water quality/pollution prevention

		%	Count
1 - Very Important		67.7%	86











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		%	Count
2 - Important		25.2%	32
3 - Somewhat Important		4.7%	6
4 - Low Importance		2.4%	3

QUESTION 13

**What types of jobs or industries should Pittsburg focus on attracting?
(pick up to three)**

		%	Count
Retail and sales		37.3%	47
Healthcare/medical and community services		43.7%	55
Professional - accountants, lawyers, etc.		21.4%	27
Manufacturing		18.3%	23
Logistics/warehousing		10.3%	13
Hi-tech jobs - biotech, computers, etc.		61.1%	77
Service industries and trades - construction, electricians, plumbing, etc.		31.0%	39
'Green' industries		46.0%	58
Energy production		11.1%	14
Other		4.0%	5

QUESTION 14

How easy is it to move in and around Pittsburg using:

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Car

		%	Count
Easy		43.7%	55
Acceptable		44.4%	56
Difficult		11.9%	15

Bike

		%	Count
Easy		11.1%	14
Acceptable		55.6%	70
Difficult		33.3%	42

Walk

		%	Count
Easy		17.5%	22
Acceptable		50.0%	63
Difficult		32.5%	41

Bus

		%	Count
Easy		11.9%	15
Acceptable		61.9%	78
Difficult		26.2%	33

QUESTION 15

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What specific intersections or roadways do you feel need special attention in regards to traffic, congestion or safety?

Answered	106
Skipped	21

4 all also **ave avenue** bailey buchanan **california cars congestion** cross drive every exit freeway **from harbor highway** hwy leland light **loveridge** marco morning **near needs off pass railroad** rd road s **san school street** too traffic turn w willow

QUESTION 16






The following guiding principles have been drafted for the General Plan Update based on input from past community workshops.

Please tell us which of these you'd like see prioritized in the General Plan by allocating zero or more dots per principle. Note you have a budget of 9 dots.

		%	Count
Provide a high quality of life for citizens		13.8%	158
Maintain a diverse and inclusive community		6.6%	76
Provide adequate retail and services in the City so residents can shop and meet all their needs locally		11.5%	131
Provide residential growth opportunities that include a range of housing types and income levels, including affordable housing		5.9%	68
Create new recreational opportunities for all ages, including after school activities, sports complex, skate park, water park, and multi-generational activity centers		7.8%	89
Enhance gathering places, schools, and parks in neighborhoods and throughout the community and ensure such places are well-maintained and monitored to ensure safety		7.2%	82
Increase bicycle, pedestrian, and transit opportunities in order to reduce commute times and auto-reliance		4.7%	54

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		%	Count
Provide more cultural and recreational opportunities		2.4%	27
Preserve open space features, including the Pittsburg Marina/ waterfront and the hillsides south of the community		7.5%	86
Provide comprehensive, high-quality services to the community, including public health and safety services		5.2%	60
Manage industrial areas, including respecting the City's industrial history and reclaiming brownfields where possible		1.7%	19
Revitalize and enhance the Downtown/Old Town		5.9%	68
Encourage and support business growth to increase employment options, including high-paying and skilled jobs, and reduce commutes		10.2%	117
Reduce homelessness through ensuring shelter and supportive services are available		8.2%	94

QUESTION 17

Thinking about the future of Pittsburg, what three words or phrases best describe how you would like to see the community in 2040?

Answered	100
Skipped	27

affordable all beautiful **better clean** community crime destination **diverse downtown** friendly future go great green
 growth **healthy high** hills **housing** inclusive **jobs** less life live maintained **more one people pittsburg place** quality **safe**
 safety **school** tech **thriving** up **vibrant** work

QUESTION 18

Your age group is:

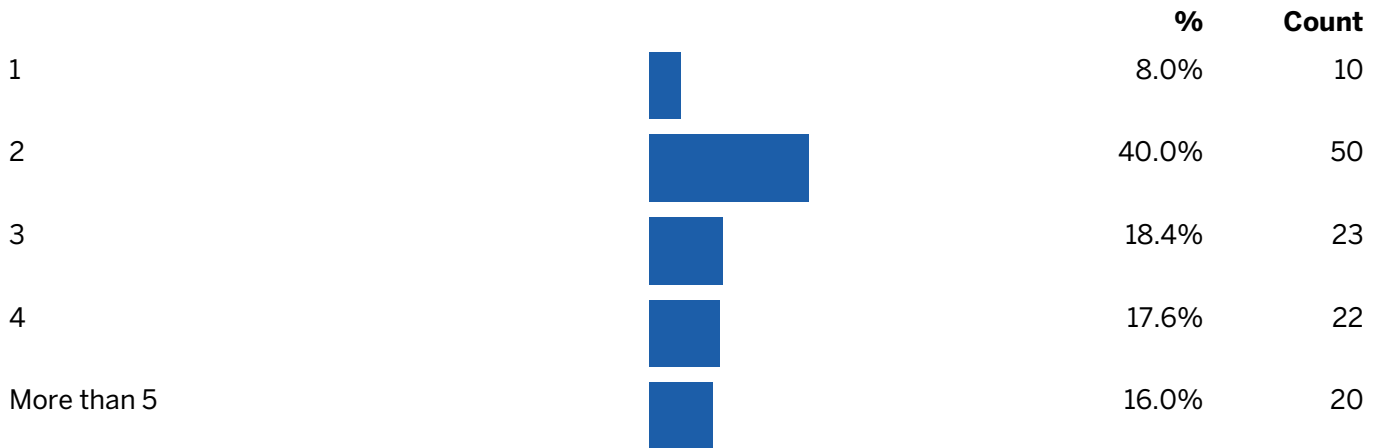
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QUESTION 19

How many people live in your household?



QUESTION 20

Is there anything else you would like to share with the City regarding its General Plan Update?

Answered	72
Skipped	55

all also area attract **community** create **downtown** go **good** great high housing **keep like** live look **make** more need out
 park people **pittsburg** place please residents S **school see so** some t than they up us very **want** work **your**

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5. What do you love most about Pittsburg? "Other" responses.

5. What do you love most about Pittsburg? "Other" responses:
Other - The Old Town Marina District. The immense potential it has to become a viable destination
Other - Nada, es barato vivir en este Pueblo. Uno se aguanta de ver tanta basura, violencia, crímenes, tráfico, gente pidiendo dinero por todas partes, mal servicio al cliente en todas partes y <i>(English translation: Nothing, it is cheap to live in this Town. You endure seeing so much garbage, violence, crimes, traffic, people asking for money everywhere, bad customer service everywhere)</i>
Other - Reminds me of my childhood growing up in Anderson, IN. As well, BART was a huge draw
Other - The trees, plants, and animals that live in the city.
Other - Historic features, downtown feeling quaint, string lights, marina
Other - Los Medanos College
Other - DOW WETLANDS
Other - Affordability / Great neighbors
Other - The downtown area.
Other - Surrounding hills and proximity to the river.
Other - our diversity
Other - I like that some new restaurants have opened that have multi culture foods, and better
Other - Small town feel
Other - Nothing.
Other - Special bonds people have with each other that grew up in Pittsburg.
Other - All of the above.
Other - price
Other - Since I only work here, I love the opportunity to do so.
Other - It provides employment
Other - History, diversity
Other - The Marina. And the fact it is still being created; hopefully into fully collaborative, sharing,
Other - Proximity to San Francisco and access to BART making real estate here a relatively better investment to commute to major metros in the bay area for work.
Other - Family immigrated here and has been here since it became Pittsburg.
Other - The Change for a better city these years. An the growth.
Other - It's by the water but the water is polluted by the nearby factorys
Other - Food BBQ, LUMPIES
Other - The Marina area and Park area on Railroad & Small World Park
Other - Housing value.
Other - diversity of the community
Other - Diversity
Other - good city to do business in
Other - Options to use alternative modes of transportation: BART, bus, bike, walk, scooter.
Other - Sorry I'm not able to check any of the reason above. :(

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7. Please explain your answer above.

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I really like the sense of community and the potential of Pittsburg. I think there needs to be greater thought leadership to raise the quality of the city and it's reputation. It actually has lower crime than almost all of the surrounding cities, yet it has a reputation of crime and blight. This prevents the attraction of resources that would further elevate the city (businesses, families with resources and interest in improving the schools, etc.).

Not many amenities for people who live on West side of Pittsburg (San Marco, Vista Del Mar, Toscana, etc.), but we pay highest property taxes.

has pretty much everything you need

Missing middle-class shopping in downtown area. Personal life is OK. Needs more shops to wander in and buy. Could use a Trader Joe, Sprouts/WholeFoods to anchor a downtown shopping center near the water with Starbucks/cafes/restaurants with water view instead of all sports fields.

No me ajusta para vivir en otra parte. Se que lo feo de vivir en Pittsburg va al conjunto de lo que se paga por vivienda. Desafortunadamente, asi seguira. Tengo aqui viviendo 20 anos y nada a cambiado. Quisiera que por lo menos los parques estuvieran limpios y que una escuela fuera buena. Me resigno porque aqui vivo y pues todo es feo, de baja calidad.

(English translation: It doesn't fit me to live elsewhere. I know that the ugly thing about living in Pittsburg goes to the whole of what is paid for housing. Unfortunately, this will continue. I have been living here for 20 years and nothing has changed. I want at least the parks to be clean and a school to be good. I resign myself because here I live and then everything is ugly, of low quality.)

1. Poor retail. Seems most of the businesses - including grocery stores -- are targeting those seeking discounts, off-brand or cheaper prices. Have to go to SE Antioch or Concord for better quality.

2. Focal points - ie, shopping, parks, services, are too far to walk comfortably from residential areas. Perhaps more smaller, neighborhood services ie. laundries, dry cleaners, 7-11 type stores, focal points might be better than big shopping centers.

2a. Include mixed-use housing at near abandoned old shopping centers, above retail or in development at old Ford dealership or used car lot and adjacent parcels at Bliss & Railroad

2b. Housing needed in parcels near Northgate shopping center (Winco, Home Depot, Island Pacific)

3. Public transit is designed for commuters, not to connect focal points (See No. 2). How about a free shuttle up and down Railroad Ave. or Harbor for local riders?

4. Planners shouldn't cave to developers wishes to develop hillsides.

5. Riverfront still under-utilized and not conducive to strolling and viewing of river; need more water- oriented businesses just to have eyes on the riverfront.

6. Has the city ever taken a survey of doctors servicing our residents? I bet there aren't more than a dozen with offices in town. We have to travel to Antioch or Concord for medical needs. Are there any incentives the city can offer to have doctors locate in town?

Pittsburg has an opportunity to be a really great area in the Bay Area. I'm hopeful for it! More investment which will hopefully reduce some of the blight.

The price of items from food, clothes , shopping is at a good price point.

Safety has become much better in the city. It can still improve but i feel that this is still a crutch.

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7. Please explain your answer above.

<p>While I like my neighborhood and neighbors, I have to drive to Brentwood or Antioch to do most of my shopping. The lower end of Railroad looks nice but the rest is so rundown. No good grocery store. So many areas of Pittsburg look neglected.</p>
<p>While we live in a quite area (Oakhills area), there is still lots to be done in terms of: safety, vehicle thefts, vandalism, neighbors not taking care of their front yard maintenance (some homes due to lack of maintenance, appear to be vacant and only attracts vandalism etc) Via our neighborhood watch members, we are focusing on encouraging our neighbors to maintain a better front yard appearance. In terms of City street maintenance, we need to do a better job in keeping our streets free of litter and better roads " our tax dollars" should be used for this purpose more.</p>
<p>I like the neighbors and diversity, but the traffic is terrible. Also, I feel that the City Council does not care for the needs of all residents of the city.</p>
<p>There is clearly an issue with transients. They are sleep in our downtown area and throughout the city in high traffic areas. It's embarrassing to have guest over and have them see this time after time.</p>
<p>Quality of life in Pittsburg is ok, but it could be much much better. There is a lot we could do to improve the air quality, healthy food availability, and walkability. We also need to look at recreational activities and facilities and job opportunities within the city.</p>
<p>I feel that Pittsburg has so much undiscovered potential. We are excited to own a home here, though I wish some city precautions could be taken for safety. Street lights on 9th and 10th Street, parks clear of vagabonds, drug and prostitution really cracked down on-it's oblivious. We are willing to beautify our sphere of community (our home and block) but basic safety measures seem to be lacking.</p>
<p>I like living in Pittsburg. There are issues that keep me from saying I love it here.</p>
<p>There are too many instances of unkept yards/ houses and unkept public areas (e.g. Homeless encampments) in Pittsburg. Pittsburg needs to reflect more of a we'll kept/ clean city that you would not be ashamed to bring friends and family to.</p>
<p>Need more community events downtown</p>
<p>As a non-resident I can only speak about the recreation. I love the parks and events. As a worker here I am treated excellently.</p>
<p>Quality of life has improved over the years.</p>
<p>It's not excellent cause air quality And cause too much traffic on main streets</p>
<p>Need some improvement, more people need to maintain there yards, streets need to be cleaned more often. Police need to patrol for speeders.</p>
<p>I think the city of pittsburg look very promising, I see more people participating in community events and City government in recent years have done what they said they were going to do.</p>
<p>I live near the corner of Leland and bailey. It's pretty run down, i rarely use the shopping center there. The Safeway is the worst and the rest of the shops are marginal. How many dollar stores does on small strip mall need? Maybe on but certainly not two.</p>
<p>Actually, it is pretty good...at times.</p>
<p>I think the quality of life in Pittsburg is fair, because it's not as nice and quiet as it used to be.</p>

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7. Please explain your answer above.

Fair rating due to the closure of the golf course and abandonment of some property. Conditions of roadways are well below average, W. Leland Rd. as a prime example. The plus is the renovation of old downtown.

I have lived here all my 51 years (all my life). It has always been a family city in my opinion. Not many people are unknown now. I feel Pittsburg is going down hill.

1. The roads are bad
 2. Trash on the streets
 3. Unkempt fields
 4. Dirty parking lots (shopping areas)
 5. The police not controlling people doing donuts and crash into people's homes
 6. Code enforcement is not making residents clean up yards, cut back over grown trees, and stopping cars from parking in front yards. We do not live on farms.
 7. Homeless encampments are growing. Pittsburg need to have strict regulations. Our community it too smal to allow this to happen here. The majority of these people are taking bart to Pittsburg to set up camp. Our city can not allow this to continue. It's really out if control.
 8. Pittsburg is infested with raccoons. Why hasn't the city tried to help residents find a way to get it under control?
 9. Buchanan Park bathrooms are completely in need of gutting and updating. You pay to rent sections but you can't you the restrooms because of the condition.
- It's not to late to get our city back to where it should be. The standard of quality needs to be improved. I feel it a beautiful city when taken care of, not in it's current state.

There are areas in Pittsburg that are affluent and there are many areas/neighborhoods that are struggling financially. Providing education through non-profit advocates (churches) by empowering them with resources and vocal support will help.

Pittsburg is one of the most affordable cities in the Bay Area. We are close to BART. The city is diverse. Most of my neighbors are kind and watch out for one another.

It's expensive to live here. Some areas are dirty and trashy. A lot of homeless people walking down our street. Most of them druggies. It's sad. We have alarm and cameras.

Neighborhoods need improvement

It can be better. Need better infrastructure planning & implementation before building more living spaces and adding businesses. Can also improve/increase Police community involvement to maintain/better community peace & security.

The influx of new homes has overcrowded our streets, schools and community and there has been many changes in this community because of that. I don't like having to shop for items and find that most stores, including grocery stores are having to lock up items to deter theft.

I think if there were more good paying jobs here, and better affordable housing for families, I could rate it excellent.

All seems ok, not sure what type of information you are needing.

It has improved so much sine we moved here in 1985. Crime is still an issue but I feel safe walking most areas of town.

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7. Please explain your answer above.

<p>We need to address more community services: Physical health, more family programs, increase the quality in education, more employment, city safety, and keep promoting more care for our environment.</p>
<p>People seem to like living here but there isn't enough work in Pittsburg and the work available doesn't pay much.</p>
<p>Pittsburg is a nice city, but several improvements need to be made and not let Seeno take over the city and direct the direction of the city</p>
<p>For me personally it's excellent. For those with lower income and children in school I'd say Fair to Good. The schools while improving have a way to go. Retail is not great and many of us travel out of City to shop. Grocery stores need to be upgraded visually and need more grocery stores.</p>
<p>Overall, I find Pittsburg an attractive place to live</p>
<p>I do not feel there are any local resources IE. shelters, programs for the homeless. No police substations.</p>
<p>There is not enough entertainment for our youth or adults. There is also not enough quality shops. When I shop for clothing for myself or family members, I always have to end up going to Concord, Brentwood, or Oakley.</p>
<p>Lot of obesity in the city. Not enough guns in the city. Nearest one (planet fitness) has a car break-in every other night. I used to work there when they first opened. The issue hasn't stopped.</p>
<p>It was excellent until traffic on Buchanan, eastleland, and summerville roads have become NY city driving. The road conditions is getting more and more like SF. :-(</p>
<p>Good</p>
<p>Don't want the rent and home prices sky rocketing just because it's the Bay Area suburbs.</p>
<p>In general it is good, but there are certain places I would not go to at night without fearing for my safety. Since I work in Pittsburg but don't live here, I am not here at night time, so it is not a problem</p>
<p>There is a LOT that needs to be cleaned up in Pittsburg, literally and figuratively.</p>
<p>Too much garbage all over the place. Some businesses do not keep their lots free of litter, people hanging out in front. The homeless and druggies are an issue. Maintenance on the public road ways are lacking. If you drive down railroad, you think it's ghetto ish until you get to the small downtown area that looks almost like a ghost town due to the empty storefronts.</p>
<p>Gangs are still around here.</p>
<p>Small town setting enjoyment of amenities</p>
<p>High Crime but I feel the school district is definitely better than most.</p>
<p>There is not enough police patrolling the streets. Police need to be on school sites even elementary to promote positive outlooks to police and respecting authority. If it is calm and safe at school sites an officer could help out in other ways at the school to develop positive relationships. We need officers to be able to come into classrooms more.</p>
<p>I think Pittsburg is a diamond in the rough. We have been given an unfavorable opinion by others for so many years. There was a time when Realtors would not show Pittsburg houses for sale to potential buyers. Very sad. Our schools are excellent and now there have been families who will try to enroll from other districts. Can't say enough great things about the PHS Band!!</p>

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7. Please explain your answer above.

There needs to be more jobs at a higher rate of pay. The housing market is horrible. The price of homes is ridiculous and rent is even worse.

I feel like my neighborhood is pretty safe and quiet, and I'm close to Pittsburg Center BART. There's community events I look forward to, like the Xmas parade, and there's always something going on in the park near me on the weekends.

I work at Pittsburg Adult School. I like the quality of the facility I work in. It is clean and in good condition. It makes my quality of life, while I work here, a good one.

Our city is in the middle of Antioch, Brentwood, Oakley and Concord which have become main cities and created traffic through out Pittsburg. We have no other main roads to move around our city and even though it has given more money to the city I as a resident of Pittsburg have NOT seen our roads being repaired (patch,yes!), bumps being placed on roads that drivers take to cut freeway traffic, our parks being free of homeless or provide our homeless with a safe place to stay instead of the parks and off Railroad Avenue. I live off Power avenue and now the new school is being build is creating a traffic on Power Avenue, which we take everyday to get to the High School and my work. Planning is a great thing to make our city safe and we the people who live in this city need more access roads so the traffic that comes through now can minimize and our roads to be safe for our school children.

I have lived here all my life. I was raised in Pittsburg. I graduated from Pittsburg High and now I am employed there. I feel our city needs much improvement.

I love Pittsburg because it is a small community where people know each other.

I work at a school so I see students and their families every day. Many are very happy to live here and the community where my school is located is very much a tight knit area.

nice quite bushiness easy to get to

Pittsburg has been able to maintain a small town community feel over the years. It feels familiar to someone who grew up here, moved away and returned.

Improvement on crimes and drugs problems.

Improvement on BART and HWY 4.

Affordable housing.

Beautiful hills.

It's a step up from Vallejo. You have your stuff together. Respect.

Still gang issues and tough areas.

Compared to other East Bay communities such as Walnut Creek, Danville, Pleasant Hill the schools have a lower rating, the homes are less desirable, the businesses are less upscale, the streets, parks, general looks are less.

I teach in Pittsburg, a lot of the students are very poor and talk about how their neighborhoods are not safe.

I feel that Pittsburg can be better. Investment into the schools and other public services would make our city better. I think having more things to keep our dollars in Pittsburg could help too.

I lived in Pittsburg for three years and saw a lot of crime in my area (Woodland Hills Apt). I also work in Pittsburg so I'm here M-F for a majority of the day and see a need for more police visibility.

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7. Please explain your answer above.

I live in senior housing, and I appreciate the convenience of transit. I love living close to community events. I'd really like to see small vendors selling hot dogs, popcorn, etc. (simple things). I think the "PHD" band is the best ever. They draw a really good group of people, and their music is "AWSOME". Management with professional people skills and better organization in planning events. Don't take my word for it, just look at past events (Culinary Crawl) et c.

It is a good quality of life.

very nice

There is a lot of poverty and crime.

Nice neighborhoods, variety of fast food restaurants, but more quality eateries would be nice.

It has a lot of potential. There is room to grow and improve. There could be a lot more involvement from citizens.

Community makes an effort in organizing community events

There seem to be pockets of human connection however mostly people commuting or doing own projects; even in neighborhoods. It's quiet enough & land surrounding beautiful however downtown lacking community gathering; not seeing community groups actively participating in re-creating new ideas for people. That inter-connection amongst all ages & unique ideas to support "all" people living here & a clean, respected environment.

I enjoy my neighborhood but would love to have more business closer to home and not have to go to neighboring cities. Also improve or parks and community locations.

Too polluted; gainful employment is too far and we do not have enough, affordable public transportation; not enough grocery stores. Too many heavy polluting companies are camping around and nobody is policing them. Keller Canyon is getting bigger and bigger, scary to think that they may build another gas pipeline! What happened with the radioactive waste brought from Hunters Point?

The City of Pittsburg has a valuable location in central/eastern Contra Costa County which makes it an easy place to live commute to San Francisco, Oakland and central Contra Costa. However, it would be an excellent place to live if there were more job, recreational, shopping and entertainment opportunity throughout all of Pittsburg. Currently, the west side of Pittsburg relies heavily on shopping and entertainment opportunity in Concord (and west of) because it's more convenient to run errands west of Pittsburg since I already commute from there.

Increasing crime and homelessness. Police (the one I dealt with) indifferent and unresponsive (no callback from responding officer) to so called "petty crime" like hit and run of vehicle. No crime is petty when you are the victim.

The downtown is terrific! The new BART station is perfectly located and will generate new development in the area. The schools are definitely up and coming and the city is very responsive to the concerns of community members. The only downside is highway 4 and the commute!

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7. Please explain your answer above.

Location is great for commuting, however public safety needs to be addressed. The blight towards downtown (industrial areas) are a bit off putting. Economically speaking, the city must diversify its commercial usage and attract thriving industries if it is to survive another recession (think location quotients). Also incorporate west pittsburg/bay point to get rid of crime and other kinds of blight to stimulate economic activity and make pittsburg prosper; pittsburg can definitely capitalize on this since relative to Tracy, Brentwood, concord, etc., Pittsburg with its affordable housing can become a great place to live if you work in San Francisco and surrounding areas which can greatly enhance tax revenues for the city as population and thereby other types of commercial demand increase.

Pittsburg has made many improvements, there is now the issue with increased traffic as many new families moved to this area. There are many areas that have been left and vacated that haven't been put to good use or even updated. Pittsburg also needs to help the homeless that has increased, and has also increased the safety of all.

There is still lots of improvement to be made, but heading the right direction. For example the cleaning An maintenance of our streets some of them still look in bad conditions An trashy. An crime eventhough it's getting better this years there is still more to be improved to feel safe in our city.

So many people commute long hours which makes life hard

The city needs to better support the public schools.

I'm constantly walking home surrounded by litter and garbage. My lungs hurt from the air probly due to the factorys and car congestion. Most land is barren and empty where there could be native plant and animal life habitats. And our teachers aren't working with a contract. And space that could be put to efficient use like a garden to help support people who already live here is used to build new houses.

Downtown looks great. Finally "cleaned-up" downtown. Starting to see more events & activities.

It is acceptable, however, there is a lot of room for improvement.

I have noticed that along the medians in and around the city It could improve on the way that the grass and weeds are keep clear and the need for open lots to be cleaned up
The chain-linked fences should be removed so as not to trap trash and replaced with wooden fences to provide a better appeal.

Traffic, crime, affordable housing

actually between good and fair. It can use better restaurants And higher end shopping, a Trader Joe's would be nice. You Definitely need better advertising for events it's extremely sad when you have the first Fridays and other events with a low turnout even the seafood Festival was not up to par last year. Maybe making around Railroad like Burbon Street In the Louisiana with local musicians as well as continue the lit trees that are on Railroad down and around 3rd street for the businesses there.

Hard to rate as I don't live here.

City seems to be left behind, when compared to development in Concord, Antioch, and Brentwood. Lacks shopping, restaurants, of the quality of the other cities I mentioned.

Fair as far as I feel safe in my neighborhood although I do feel that I am starting to see more homelessness. I would like to work in Pittsburg and not commute all the way to San Francisco because of job opportunities and better pay. I would also like to be able to attend more community events and spend my money within Pittsburg but there are hardly any events and any nice strip malls where my family and I can go shop, eat and hangout.

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7. Please explain your answer above.

<p>The community, in general, is wonderful. However, Pittsburg needs to continue to work on improving it's appearance. The downtown area is lovely. However, getting there is not. I think people are discouraged from going downtown because of the roads to get there. For example, one way to reach the down town area is on Railroad Ave. Business, in general, on the Kirker Pass side are in disarray. There are many homeless folks, many of which are pan handling. It discourages folks from wanting to travel that route. It discredits the revitalization that has been done in the down town area.</p>
<p>Fairly quiet neighborhoods; Landscaping and parks are adequate.</p>
<p>Now we have a lot homeless and section 8</p>
<p>I don't spend much time here because when I want to go out to eat or shopping I have to leave Pittsburgh because they don't have any decent restaurants or any decent shopping all they have is fast food .</p>
<p>I believe their would be a higher quality of life if there were more things for young children in teens to do recreationally.</p>
<p>We need to travel out of Pittsburg for a better restaurant and shopping selection. Police and fire services are great.</p>
<p>The City seems to be a safe place to live, but it needs to be cleaned up more.</p>
<p>diverse and lots of options for cultural activities</p>
<p>Nice downtown rehab but unfortunately no thought has been given as to how to draw citizens to the area</p>
<p>There are more break ins and burglaries than I would like in Pittsburg. I worry about gangs and gunshots. Heroin, coke and speed seem to be a problem.</p>
<p>I don't live here:) Basing it on what I see and hear</p>
<p>Good high school and community college.</p>
<p>There are pockets of areas that need development.</p>
<p>"Rents are getting so high, it's getting to expensive to live here.</p>
<p>Need more parks. The closed golf course on W. Leland should be made into a park or recreation area, not a data center.</p>
<p>I enjoy the location of Pittsburg, the BART makes the entire bay area accessible, the people of Pittsburg are diverse and there are many great people to meet. Pittsburg is not as dangerous as people may think it is, it has it's rough parts but the people there are great souls.</p>
<p>I love the people and the community feeling, but we often have to travel outside the city for leisure activities. The cost of living has increased for long time residents</p>
<p>The city could clamp down on the blight in the city.</p>
<p>Reasonably well planned and managed</p>
<p>Good location, many improvements over the past 20 years, always room for improvement</p>
<p>NA</p>
<p>We're way better than Antioch or Bay Point, but still too many rapes, killings, murders.</p>
<p>I thought it was a good moved to here but as my kid gets older and I see the quality of the school, that is unsafe to be on the streets, there is no adequate housing for all people, they don't maintain well the roads or some areas of the City are duty I get disappointed every day as I see and heard about the crimes around the City.</p>

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7. Please explain your answer above.

Quality of life is good, but there is always room for improvement!

There could be improvements made around improving quality of parks and recreation, store variety (especially grocery), walkability, neighborhood safety, visual quality, and safety. Good schools, good location

The City puts on a variety of fun events. The downtown area is nice (except for the vacant buildings). There is a good sense of community. There's access to necessary grocery stores (at least where I live). However, I would like there to be more places to go to. ie. Concord has a downtown that people from different cities actively go to- it has a nightlife, bars and karaoke and a variety of restaurants; I feel like people who go to downtown Pittsburg are only those that live here.

Life seems good here.

We still lack a lot of amenities that other cities already enjoy. Specifically, there's better shopping and entertainment options in neighboring towns like Concord. There's also a problem with drivers in town. They drive way too fast and don't respect bicyclists, pedestrians, and other drivers. I get that they're frustrated with traffic and general congestion, but we need to emphasize life and safety!

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Again: I really like the sense of community and the potential of Pittsburg. I think there needs to be greater thought leadership to raise the quality of the city and it's reputation. It actually has lower crime than almost all of the surrounding cities, yet it has a reputation of crime and blight. This prevents the attraction of resources that would further elevate the city (businesses, families with resources and interest in improving the schools, etc.). I have watched the very slow and sometimes faltering development of Old Town for over 15 years and wonder why it struggles to emerge when cities like near by Martinez have been able to attract sustained development (higher end restaurants, etc.) in a short period of time. Pittsburg's Old Town is a jewel that could be transformed into a destination bringing attraction and revenue to the city. People from local cities would patronize Pittsburg businesses rather than travel to Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek, Martinez, Lafayette, etc.

Development is unbelievably slow. Often receive many promises and no action. Development projects drag on and on, sometimes for years.

community got nicer

Unfortunately, we haven't done enough. Probably the redevelopment fund stopped the progress, but we must continue.

No a cambiado, sigue igual o quizas peor. Las calles sucias, los estacionamientos de las tiendas llenos de basura

(English translation: It hasn't changed, it stays the same or maybe worse. Dirty streets, parking lots full of garbage)

I'm just a grumpy old guy. I miss the small-town feel I grew up with. I don't like the commuter culture that works against that. But I love the diversity of the people and the perspectives new people bring. There must be a way to encourage newcomers to feel like this is their town, too, not a temporary waystation to somewhere better.

I cannot really say for sure since I moved here last year from El Sobrante. The stats on forums and websites seem outdated to what I visually see, but I can tell that data used to be true and Pittsburg is currently recovering from that data.

Crime is down. House prices is up. The down side is to much dumping areas and the homeless issues right now.

Like the answer above. Also, just not at San Marco, we need to advertise Pittsburg as a home owner city (like Concord and Clayton) and reduce assisted living situations.

Lower Railroad is a huge improvement since I moved here nearly 40 years ago. I see more nice parks and neighborhoods but the older section of town needs a lot of work.

See above

I like the diversity in leadership in some respects. However, I feel there needs to be more diversity in permanent city staff. I like the development of downtown, but we need to make sure that our infrastructure is corrected to account for traffic. It is also important that we use undeveloped land properly.

We continue to grow, but need to expand activities and services for our children and LIMIT low income housing.

I have seen some improvements throughout the years. I feel that it has been a slow movement towards making the city more attractive. I would like to see a faster approach because it feels like the

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urbanization of our city is outpacing the efforts to improve the quality of life.
My husband grew up in concord (40 years) we lived there for 11, I'm from LA and we just bought our first home. He tells me about where Pittsburg has been so clearly there has been a lot of hard work to bring it to wear it is (downtown looking great) but I hope that someday there could be more pride in saying "I bought a house in Pittsburg" somewhat like Oakland has turned around the stigma of saying "I live in Oakland". It's our hope Pittsburg is headed that way and that it has been a real hidden gem (once more loitering and littering is cleaned up)
Pittsburg had a bad reputation when I was a kid in the 80s. I thought I would never live in Pittsburg, but when I had seen the changes 10 years ago. I knew I wanted to be here.
See comments on previous question.
growing to fast. Don't think we can stop that though
I see the development happening and I think it is a good change. Hopefully it will attract the right people that will contribute to the community in a positive way.
There are more restaurants.
I did not like when The street Frontage rd got closed Now Leland After Bart now more people doing drugs on streets or sidewalks or shopping centers
There is starting to be a lot of homeless people, there is a lot of wreck less drivers, speeding drivers with in the city. If you travel on Crestview Drive (off of Leland) you will see all the black rubber marks on the roads from cars doing side shows. At every stop sign and in between. Crest need speed bumps, city need to control before it gets out off hand.
I like the progress I see so far better progress since the 1st 10 years I lived here. Streets look better and we have more restaurants then before.
Down town is beautiful
We had hoped the redevelopment downtown would attract more businesses but, understand it is a process. We would like to see more community gardens develop to provide healthy organic food and create a better sense of community. We have supported the businesses downtown and the farmers market but, we need healthier choices which our demographics may not support. We have considered moving, after thirty-six years, to a city in which we could strive.
Our neighborhood streets are clogged with cars and big trucks. Not enough working people in neighborhoods. I don't feel safe knowing non-working people are hanging out outside as I go to work.
See answer above
Pittsburg needs the raise the bar on the rules and regulations of Pittsburg. I have lived here my entire life. It's dirty, overgrown, unkempt, over populated and under controlled.
Downtown looks very nice after many years of investment. I am also glad that Pittsburg made the right efforts to get the BART stop in-spite of not being ready with the best infrastructure. More intentional and aggressive moves to bring the right businesses to the area with help.
Pittsburg used to be quite corrupt, I am told. I am glad that seems to have changed.
I've lived here all my life and it's gone down hill.
I think it's great that improvements have been made to our transportation system, but our neighborhoods need improvement and we need more housing options.
Progress is definitely noticeable. We need to address issues regarding homelessness and mental disabilities plaguing the streets of Pittsburg from BayPoint & Antioch.
Growth is happening too quickly

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<p>I feel like it has kept it's integrity as a city, done okay financially, is safer now, with the schools trying much harder for our kids.</p>
<p>the downtown has improved visually, just wish more people were drawn to the area so it was more active.</p>
<p>Seeno is no longer running the city. New people and views on boards. City is committed to making our city a destination site, reducing industry and adding housing and shops.</p>
<p>Our quality of life is changing after living all these years in Pittsburg, I noticed more challenges that are not being addressed: homelessness in the area, cleanliness- we need more cameras or supervision, higher fines for those individuals that dump their pails of garbage in the city. Our high school is the best, but overpopulated, not the best way to form better citizens-</p>
<p>I've seen improvement in transportation and I like the downtown/Marina area renovations.</p>
<p>Pittsburg is evolving and I can tell the City is trying to improve the city with several public events, making downtown more desirable including several other public areas.</p>
<p>I like the cultural events and the revitalizing of Old Town. The increased traffic is definitely awful. I do not want to see the hills marred by housing and quality of life decreased by more traffic. Railroad Book Depot is a City gem.</p>
<p>I wish Pittsburg would enjoy more of the prosperity that rest of the region enjoys.</p>
<p>All of positive changes have only happened north of Leland rd.No improvements or business structures south of Leland for the exception of gas stations, liquor stores, and storage facilities on Railroad Ave. eye soars.</p>
<p>Although there has been some improvements over the years, there are still several improvements that need to take place including safety of our youth at specific crosswalks, addition of entertainment for youth and adults, addition of shopping malls (like the Veranda in Concord), and addition of a new high school!</p>
<p>I'm moving my organization to Pittsburg but I told them I wouldn't suggest it if they asked me in 2006, as an example.</p>
<p>Not keeping up with the building of homes, because of greed for money by the city counsel. Roadways are not good anymore, and no employment opportunities to match the surrounding areas.</p>
<p>More housing is needed for us to grow as a city</p>
<p>Keep taking away things for the kids and community to do here locally.</p>
<p>I understand it is a tough balancing act between creating more affordable housing and maintaining open space. However, since I have been in the bay area since 1971 I have seen a whole lot of change and I miss the open space and the orchards. Also, the traffic used to be much more predictable but now you can get stuck in traffic anytime.</p>
<p>It's come a long way and downtown is SO much better, but there is still many other areas that need help. Parks, schools, neighborhoods, grocery stores. We need a real grocery store instead of dirty, poorly run, discount stores.</p>
<p>I like how the older buildings have been refreshed and some new areas are popping up. BUT I don't think that we should allow the larger buildings that will not provide jobs and be an eyesore be allowed. We are a small town with a lot of history and I think that would all overtake what Pittsburg really means to the residents. Too much housing with not enough room for traffic and no schools to handle all those new families.</p>
<p>Seems to be getting better</p>

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Growth in Pittsburg, remember in the 60's today very pleased
wasn't sure how to answer i don't live in pittsburg
People are getting away with too much and taking advantage of the system
I like all the new improvements, but I feel we have more homeless people here than I remember. We should find a way to help them. I do not however approve of all the proposed low-rent affordable housing being planned. An even share among all the Contra Costa County cities should be possible. We do not want to be a dumping ground. Some of that is from BART?
There used to be more things for kids to do in the summer. Now there isn't many summer programs to keep them busy. The summer camp was great for the kids.
I like the new park in downtown, and I've definitely seen improvement in safety with new crosswalks, bike paths, street lighting, etc.
I haven't really seen much of a change in the last 8 years that I have worked in the area. But I must say, that there is less of a presence of the homeless wondering the streets. I'm assuming that the city is better at controlling this issue better. I do appreciate that good affordable housing has been provided on Loveridge across from Stoneman Elementary School. I understand that it was much needed.
We have let Seeno builders build on our hills and created more housing which the city can't catch up for the traffic flow it has created. Our School district needs to plan for another High School for our children's safety. Having 4500 kids and staff in one place is not safe. How many times just this year we have had phone calls, emails and our students coming home with crazy stories about threats to our only high school. Seeno can build another one with the approval of the city so before more housing is created.
Downtown Pittsburg Marina by now should be somewhat like the warf in Monterey. There should be shops and entertainment for us residence and it also it can produce a revenue for the city if tourist begin to come.
I came to Pittsburg in 1990 and I have been able to see the improvements around the city.
I began working here 5 years ago and have seen a lot of effort go into making the town cleaner, safer, and more welcoming.
Been coming here to work for less than a year
Unhappy with the amount of traffic on Railroad and the fact that they are squeezing in homes in any empty lot that can be developed is only going to make it harder to navigate. You can tell the city is trying but it can be it's own worst enemy. There is a lack of cohesiveness in getting the word out on events. The social media presence needs to be stronger when it comes to advertising
Positive.
Whatever you did worked, I hear stories but it's been relatively great.
The schools are at capacity--very few districts have 34 students per class at the elementary level. Very high number when research unequivocally supports class-size reduction as a way to improve education.
In the 1960s, Pittsburg was a cute little town with carefully maintained homes, businesses and schools - this has changed so that many neighborhoods are not inviting. The best thing that has happened lately is that BART now comes all the way into Pittsburg and beyond.
I have seen the city try to do more events for the community.
I see Pittsburg is growing, adding apartment complexes and new stores. But I question how are we going to accommodate all the new people on the safe infrastructure? How are we keeping our dollars

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in the city?
It has improved somewhat since I lived here.
I lived here over 30 years ago, and it has grown exceptionally well. The transit is great. It used to be just the P bus. For me, this is a big advance.
I like the way Pittsburg is working towards to future.
very good
There has been an effort to improve the city; asthetically, as well as safety.
Great new schools, new housing, nice appearance on Railroad Avenue.
I don't the city is run and controlled as much by the same group of people as it was in the 80's and 90's Im 38 years old and lived downtown now called old town. It has improved for the best which shows the city has invested wisely in improving when you compare to Antioch downtown.
Important that roads, neighborhoods, affordable housing & beautiful built downtown; however, also important to be conscious that housing needs to be LEED built; solar upgrades; trees planted; healthy food restaurants esp. downtown; more bikes, less cars; health & exercise promoted to all citizens; awareness of mobile tech 5G towers that have no health & safety studies (other CA towns, even countries are halting until clear studies are made transparent to protect the public) & awareness of pesticides, toxins, towards a healthy environment for your citizens. Pittsburg has a chance to stand out in the future as a clean, healthy town to live.
No new business. Lots of empty lots. Areas that are not paid attention to and become an eye sore. And unsafe to walk in.
Not enough attention to environmental issues. According to The Bay Area Air Quality Management District, Pittsburg is in the 15% of communities in the Bay Area that are most affected by air pollution. Additionally, the California Office of Environmental Hazard Assessment, found that Central Pittsburg, is in the top 10% of California communities experiencing adverse health effects due to multiple sources of pollution.
Pittsburg has focused too much on single-family residential growth when it should be providing more zoning more housing and commercial opportunities along transited corridors or near transit stops such as BART. While the investments in downtown are great, Pittsburg is a linear/long linear city and it should prioritize jobs, shopping, entertainment along the western, central/downtown, and eastern edges of the city to provide convenient options for all.
Better downtown area, but deteriorating areas with businesses leaving and no new tenants. Loud blaring music from neighbors who are inconsiderate of neighbors. Too many idiots doing rings with their cars.
I have worked in Pittsburg for 20 years and observed tremendous change....all for the best. The professionalism of city staff, the police department and school district has continued to develop and improve over time. Pittsburg truly is one of the best cities in the bay area. I am very proud of the city and the efforts of many community members and organizations to improve the quality of life for all.
Since buying a house out in san marco subdivision, some things have improved like BART, however many other things must also improve as well. Bay Point being incorporated would be a definite plus, safety on hwy 4 would be a plus, better mobility to BART stations would be a great plus, more restaurants and other stores in the proximity of downtown would be great (look at what Brentwood is doing, more or less looks like a success story). Also try to implement license plate readers and other high tech to deter crime and to have a more proactive police department, as the many number of officers per capita in this city is obviously in-effective with what they are equipped for.

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<p>Pittsburg has changed, but it stopped with the beautification of downtown and now BART has come in, there needs to be continual updated up and down Pittsburg through out different areas. It hasn't been done.</p>
<p>I am happy the way Pittsburg is evolving in every aspect. Our city has lots of potential to become desirable as Walnut Creek, Danville, San Ramon etc... why not?</p>
<p>Too much housing</p>
<p>I have seen downtown Pittsburg become an attractive area to businesses and customers.</p>
<p>You have done up the entrance of pittsburg off the freeway bit fail to have out town look welcoming or comfortable. Its barren and covered in concrete</p>
<p>see above comment.</p>
<p>It's getting better, however, there is a lot of room for improvement.</p>
<p>I have noticed that along the medians in and around the city It could improve on the way that the grass and weeds are keep clear and the need for open lots to be cleaned up The chain-linked fences should be removed so as not to trap trash and replaced with wooden fences to provide a better appeal.</p>
<p>I am new to the area, so I don't really know.</p>
<p>I believe you are on the right track you just need some new blood and creative people the marina Railroad Area could be so much more. In Los Angeles they have a sushi place with conveyors Called Krua, they are packed. Sushi is \$2.75 per plate that would do great by the water. Some of the businesses in railroad don't put in the effort and you can't just have all highend restaurants because the demographic area is mixed and I can't support it. Also some facelift work on Alanta and Harbor.</p>
<p>Pittsburg used to have a poor reputation and that seems to be changing.</p>
<p>Development very slow. Much slower than promised when I purchased home in Vista Del Mar. Been here since 2014. All developments seems to be in prolonged planning phases. Years away from any positive progress.</p>
<p>The change that I have noticed most is that there seems to be more homes being built but nowhere for its residents to enjoy their weekends. (Nice parks, outdoor malls, restaurants)</p>
<p>I do not have a historical perspective that would allow me to answer.</p>
<p>Railroad avenue is a main thoroughfare but looks rundown. Problems with homeless has increased. Grocery carts throughout neighborhoods and streets need maintenance.</p>
<p>Some places are been remodeled</p>
<p>When I first moved here we had a golf course we had a movie theater we had a bowling alley now we don't have any of those things there is actually more restaurants when I first came here now there's not hardly except for fast food and noodle places</p>
<p>I have not been in the area long enough. However, it seems the schools are overcrowding and there is nothing for young people to do outside of school</p>
<p>Pittsburg has been proactive in dealing with homeless and gangs. Parks are well maintained</p>
<p>When I first moved here in 1972 it was a place people didn't understand why you would live here. But over the years so much improvements have been done to the City like Old Town, etc.</p>
<p>has grown and still has a small town feel</p>
<p>City still fighting an "image" issue</p>
<p>I feel a little safer in my neighborhood than I used to some years ago but I worry about things that go</p>

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on at supermarkets and their parking lots. I worry that I could get caught up in something that does not involve me at all.
I have seen some nice changes to downtown
Over the short period I have been in the area I have seen improvements.
I think that it is economically growing, however, traffic has gotten worse (not that this is only in Pittsburg).
Pittsburg has grown into a lovely place with some of the best schools in the county
Pittsburg should not be building into the hills. There should be no destruction of hill habitat. Pittsburg should avoid the influence of Seeno Homes.
I like the upgrades to downtown and the police/fire response times are great. I feel that the only thing I am worried about is the huge influx of condo's and apts to the Bay Point area and how it will affect traffic as well as the hills.
Crime has went down, the overall aesthetic has improved. The community feeling has slightly diminished over the years.
Not taking care of the streets.
In a few years there is noticeably more traffic on Buchanan and of course, Highway 4. Too many big brands crowding out smaller, home grow, family owned businesses; restaurants, markets, of course the hardware, pharmacy, car dealership corporations. Need more quality affordable housing as well as local light industry.
Great job on the downtown waterfront area. New residential areas are very nice and elevated the value of everything around it. Needs more jobs
Movement toward Smart City status is needed. The city officials 'look' like the city residents - this is very good, especially for the kids. They need good role models.
Pittsburg used to be the dregs of the East County. BUT NOT ANY MORE. Now, houses here are more expensive than Antioch. In fact, we've swapped places with Antioch in the hierarchy or quality of life.
I wish streets will be cleaner and better condition, that schools get better rating, that the community work together with the City but I don't see it and the improvement in downtown look nice but there are a lot other areas that need attention. Better public transportation system for those that don't drive so they can rely on it and feel safe standing at a bus stop.
Pittsburg has had soo many positive changes over the last 20-30 years!
Increased safety. Nice downtown area. Making progress in park conditions- still can improve and community centers
Although I've lived here just a short time, I've heard stories about how it used to be, and it sounds like it's greatly improved.
It seems to be improving
From what I hear, Pittsburg used to have a really big crime problem. That's not the case today and our crime levels are comparable to Walnut Creek and Pleasant Hill. We still need a lot of work in different areas, but we've consistently gotten better of the years and we should keep that momentum.

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10. What would you like to see more of in Pittsburg? "Other " responses.

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Other - Activate water fountains/displays

Other - I would have checked all of them if permitted.

Other - An ACTUAL grocery store

Other - Really only 3? I would love to see more bike lanes, walking paths, improved trails, and places to spend my money within the city.

Other - Younger couples buying houses here

Other - a nice water park like Antioch

Other - Safety

Other - Refurbish/repave the main roadways

Other - Other options for restaurants. We are too many Mexican restaurants we need a variety of choices. More upscale!

Other - Dog park / Decent grocery store

Other - Regular grocery store! Raley's! Other - vibrant 100% used downtown

Other - New High School

Other - A NICE grocery store, please!

Other - don't have a third choice i dont

Other - Private schools or charter schools to provide options in education

Other - another High School or several.

Other - Large supermarket in downtown Pittsburg. We are forced to go to corner stores with inflated prices and unhealthy processed food.

Other - Visible police presence in neighborhoods.

Other - No more factorys

Other - I see how Antioch has grown with great shops. Pittsburg needs to move it up several notches.

Other - Book stores/ community center for youth

Other - A quality grocery store where you do not need to have a security guard. Long with jobs to help meet the needs of home prices.

Other - Less strip malls - more quality shopping. For example, a nice supermarket, a nice deli, a Kohl's type department store

Other - Golf course that you got rid of Other - Recreation center

Other - more employment opportunities for students/adults with disabilities Other - Facilities and plans for electric and autonomous vehicles

13. What types of jobs or industries should Pittsburg focus on attracting? "Other" responses.

Other - Pittsburg Mall similar to Sun Vally Mall

Other - More police

Other - Small businesses

Other - Entrepreneurial & Coop Businesses

Other - education

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15. What specific intersections or roadways do you feel need special attention?

<p>15. What specific intersections or roadways do you feel need special attention in regards to traffic, congestion or safety?</p>
<p>The Harbor offramp of highway 4, Railroad Ave south of highway 4</p>
<p>San Marco and Leland. Railroad is a nightmare (always)</p>
<p>walk and bike</p>
<p>Harbor and Railroad during student release. Freeway entrance Railroad to 4E and 4W exiting</p>
<p>Railroad & Hwy 4, Leland & Railroad, Leland & Harbor, Stoneman and Harbor</p>
<p>Railroad Avenue needs to be widened, and Leland Ave needs to be beautified.</p>
<p>Leland and railroad. Morning and afternoon</p>
<p>Railroad and Leland is horrible. Alvarado and railroad light usually starts the back up. Better solution needed there</p>
<p>W. Leland and Oakpoint; The traffic signals is not working as required. It takes four traffic lights to allow traffic to flow into a left turn from Oakhills to W. Leland. Many times cars have to make a right turn and then a U turn to accomplish the left turn. Please monitor</p>
<p>Railroad! with almost every street beginning with Leland down to School Street. Also along Leland to Bailey and on to Willow Pass Road. Widen Willow Pass Road!!</p>
<p>Railroad and California</p>
<p>Intersections - Railroad and Leland and Loveridge and Leland (too many cars speeding and running red lights). Actually, speeding is a problem throughout the city. All cross streets to The Railroad Bart Station need immediate attention (safety hazard because of people and cars not yielding). There are way too many parked cars on Alturas Ave. These vehicles make it a safety hazards for children and parents walking to and from school.</p>
<p>Around freeway entrances and exits. Kirkerpass and Bailey should stay maintained and clean (as entrances to the city). 10th and 9th should feel more safe in the evenings(lighting, patrol), as that is where most visitors will land.</p>
<p>Congestion: Railroad Avenue where Leland, Bliss, and freeway on/off ramp cross. Safety: The entire length of W. Leland.</p>
<p>Stoneman off of Loveridge is in rough shape; it hasn't been repaved in quite a while. Leland near the golf course is in rough shape as well.</p>
<p>Railroad, California, Harbor</p>
<p>I use the Railroad Leland intersection every day. Bad instersection. Bad potholes on Leland.</p>
<p>W Leland, railroad and exit hwy4 harbor</p>
<p>Crestview Drive for safety (a lot of speeders pass on Crestview), also run stop signs, Railroad for congestion,</p>
<p>N/A</p>
<p>San Marco on ramp to highway 4</p>
<p>Railroad and highway 4</p>
<p>Railroad Ave and Leland RD</p>

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15. What specific intersections or roadways do you feel need special attention?

Crestview Drive & West Leland
Highway 4
School zones
Railroad
Willow Pass Road, Leland Road, Railroad Ave, Hwy 4
Railroad (around schools), Willow Pass Rd
roads that surround our local school specifically and commuter roads such as Kirker Pass, Railroad, Buchanan, Leland, California
Railroad between Leland and School Street needs widening.
Leland needs cross walks with lights. My children attend Rancho and I don't feel they are safe crossing the road. People drive too fast on that road.
Very concerned about charter school going on Harbor. From Buchanan there are at least 4 schools to navigate. Traffic is already bad north of fwy. This is bad planning.
Leland- freeway exit, California Avenue & Carion Ct exit, no light and it's a curve
Railroad Ave.
Baily Road and san marco. And Railroad is pretty busy as well as the exit off harbor going towards Baypoint
Don't know
Railroad (between Hwy 4 and Atlantic), Buchanan during morning and afternoon rush hour
kirker pass
School Street and Railroad (every day I drop off my kids to school and have witnessed several near misses every week because although the flashing yellow lights are on, cars do NOT slow down which puts our youth at risk every day!)
William Way and Leland should be severed.
Buchanan - East Leland - Sommersvile Rd
Railroad avenue and Leland is nasty in the morning and evening during commute time. Actually from Railroad and Leland all the way to the freeway is nasty.
Railroad Ave, Buchanan are traffic nightmares. Leland needs to be fixed it's uneven and cracked.
All. Of. Railroad. Nightmare
portions of railroad avenue
Railroad and Leland
Buchanon Road
Harbor and Leland--light turning left onto Leland--way too short in the morning commute
Railroad and Leland, Railroad and Hwy 4, Railroad and Bliss
The westbound onramp to Loveridge Rd. from Hwy. 4. It tends to back up in the morning when I come to work.
Railroad, Canal/ Power Ave, Buchanan Rd, traffic congestion.
Railroad
Last mile
Railroad between Jack in the Box and Bart

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At School Street and Harbor Street, please change the streetlights to blink once the green light is going to change. Please! This simple fix will greatly ease the morning and afternoon traffic.
Railroad & Highway 4
Railroad
west Leland road, has people who drive so fast and it's so dangerous.
Leland near Pittsburg High School and Harbor near the PHS; before and after school traffic is difficult near these areas, California Street as well.
Bliss, needs road repair
Railroad Ave.
the ramp on san marcos and willow pass in the morning (5 to 9am)
All off ramps and main connecting streets. The congestion/traffic is unacceptable.
Better parking downtown
Loveridge, Railroad
Bridge right after 10th st turns to willow pass need sidewalk. People walk on the street and the road is very narrow.
Railroad Ave. & Hwy. 4 cars speed; weave in & out of lanes; tailgate & rarely see police
W 10th heading into willow pass. The street that merges onto Railroad from the big park, and also that cross walk, maybe a light should be put in. Pittsburg/Antioch highway, the road conditions need to be fixed, also something should be done at the turn for Costco and the social security office
San Marco Blvd.
Railroad Avenue traffic sign synchronization near highway ramps.
Leland Avenue ... speeding is a concern
San Marco exits/entrances to hwy 4 and bailey road .
all of Railroad, Leland most of it, Leland and Loveridge at Walmart to freeway, Buchannan!
West Leland, San Marco blvd, Buchanan, Bailey rd, Kirker pass
Near Pittsburg Center BART , Railroad, Buchanan
Railroad(downtown), Willow Pass east of Bailey, Hanlon Road in front of Willow Cove Elementary
Have more than two exits and entrances
E. Leland & Range Rd., E. Leland & Railroad Ave., mainly where many cars take short cuts to get to the freeway.
California
Not sure
Marina Blvd needs Speed bumps. Cars drag race up and down the street due to the length and it's by the marina and it's a matter of time before a child is killed. On railroad by freeway exits something needs to be done with congestion
Railroad avenue
Loveridge and harbor
Leland and rail road
Railroad
Leland around Railroad, Railroad to freeway from Leland, Harbor exit from Hwy 4
I believe all signal light areas should be better patrolled, due to right light runners.

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15. What specific intersections or roadways do you feel need special attention?

any and all around schools
N/A
Leland and Railroad all the way up to highway 4, Civic and Railroad to Highway 4, Buchanan both directions
railroad and hiway 4
San Marco and West Leland
Railroad and Castlewood. It is hard to cross railroad. Traffic making a left on railroad show no curtiousy and cut me off every morning.
Railroad Av, School Av, better traffic planning
Highway 4
Railroad always congested, Leland and Will Pass occasionally congested. No easy walking routes.
Railroad from Lelandf to SR4 also build the Bucannan bypass.
Railroad, Buchanan
Harbor Street @ Ventura; California Avenue @ Harbor Street; Harbor Street @ BNSF railroad over-crossing; Willow Pass Road @ Range Road @ North Parkside Drive; Loveridge Road @ California Avenue; California Avenue @ eastbound Highway 4 (Harbor Street) off-ramp);
Bailey on-ramp to freeway, Willow Cove & Tenth Street Rd. maintenance, other small street by Mall need attention too.
all major north/south thouroughfares need special attention, as there are limited locations to cross the freeway, which can add to traffic congestion around town
All railroad interseptions. Leland & W Leland
3rd Street and Cumberland, it's difficult to see cross traffic and pedestrians as close as the cars park to the corner.
Railroad Avenue off-ramp, California Avenue
In order of priority: Railroad Avenue; Willow Pass/North Parkside Dr.; Leland Rd.

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17. Future of Pittsburg

17. Thinking about the future of Pittsburg, what three words or phrases best describe how you would like to see the community in 2040?

A destination for dining, shopping, and leisure
Diverse; Ethnically, culturally, economically, educationally Green, safe, vibrant

Progressive Diverse
Financially Sound

updated clean
new

safe beautiful
vibrant

Inclusive & diverse High quality of life
Love where you live

Beautiful and maintained; less blight
Arts, Culture, and Architecture; Exterior/interior library renovation Bike paths, especially waterfront

No crime
High playing jobs Clean

Higher per household income average / more college educated residents Growth to quality retailers and jobs
Safer streets

More upscale Railroad Ave
Keep the hills free of development More shops

Safe beautiful
financially stable

Diverse and Inclusive. Diverse housing options.
Quality road infrastructure.

Breathable and Healthy atmosphere Welcoming and Diverse community
Self sustaining

Safe & clean urban community Protected historic downtown destination
Active lifestyle indoor & outdoor opportunities

Green and Clean Sustainable
Healthy

Proud, not ashamed, to live in Pittsburg.

safer
cleaner

Healthy Wealthy
Thriving

No potholes. More local jobs. Affordable housing.

Educated Prosperity
Happy and healthy community

Beautiful, safe

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Clean and green Safe and well maintained Community
Inclusive and safe
Clean Quiet Fun
I won't be here
Clean Entertainment Thriving
Thriving Business People
Thriving Attractive Diverse
I doubt we'll be living in CA!!!
Environmentally Conscious Energy Self-Sustaining City Technologically Up-to-date
small quaint maintained
Green Friendly Healthy & Vibrant Downtown that attracts visitors All citizens have a safe and affordable place to live
I would like to see a skatepark in Pittsburg so my son doesnt have to make arrangements to go to another city to skate. This is an inconvenience as I would prefer he is doing something healthy outdoors.
more quality of life for everyone less crime and poverty make the high school a better place or build a new one
Thriving, Productive, a nice place to live and work
No health disparity by ethnicity More open space A city that is know as a great place to live and raise a family.
Prosperous Safe Preserve hills / open space
More Businesses, clean
Prioritizing of Education with new high school Thriving and prosperous Diverse
Smart City Steel Town to Platinum City "Let's go out to Pittsburg tonight"
Better quality of life Better infrastructure Better social events for the multi culture city we have become
compasionate ---- clean safe
clean successful accommodating
Safer

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Better traffic- e.i- RAILROAD More high paying jobs
Growth Jobs Safety
Financially stable. Crime decrease due to Community outreach programs Clean up unauthorized dumping sites and implement programs that would eliminate this problem
People wanting to live here and have their children go to school here and be safe at school and in their
a nice place to live good schools enough safety
thriving, vibrant downtown safe and affordable a city that respects its past while looking to the future that comes with climate change
Access to less expensive healthcare services Less crime due to poverty by providing local job opportunities for entry level work Home options for a variety of resident income levels
inclusive community diverse affordable and safe for my future grandkids
More restaurants besides mexican ones. A steak house would be good. Trees, weeds, and city cleaned up on regular basis. Right now trees are overgrown and weeds are all over. I can go on but I am sure you get the idea More beautiful and classier
improve multicultural safety
growing vibrant presevation
no coment
economic growth booming downtown small town feel
Made more restrictions on Seeno famil(ies) to further develop properties in Pittsburg. LET some one else to have a chance to bring in some diversities.
Travel Destination Work Opportunity Tech Hub
Diverse High school of the future green, clean, friendly, united
safe prosperous attractive
community building safe
More shops, restaurants, growth.
Water system, cleaned up, better
safety diversity happy
nice view on the hills

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Safe Clean Productive
Great job opportunities Clean and prestige community Family friendly activities
More participation in activities by more of our residents. The more people participating the more successful it will be.
Get rid of factories and manufacturing polluting our air
self sufficient resources green building, clean foods, water community collaboration & engagement
Goals to attract sustainable business to create green, clean, safe employment Preservation of open spaces No more Housing If there is not no more gainful employment in the city
Affordable Diverse Jobs
Ensure the City maintains a positive budget and continue to ensure pension obligations are fully addressed Hire the best and the brightest people (and pay them accordingly) Develop the BART station area around Railroad wisely with a focus on high density development to encourage walking and biking
High Tech Opportunity Smart City
Desirable Safety Homeless free
The best schools Great place to find high paying jobs Safe parks and recreation activities for kids
Future Healthy Diverse
Renewable energy Native (animal/plant) sanctuary Setting an example
Feeling SAFE in Pittsburg when one wants to walk or bike ride. Wanting to see Pittsburg thrive & NOT build a Tec Park where the golf course was located. We LOVE our hills & DO NOT want to see buildings or any more traffic. The Tech Park should be placed in an area other than our neighborhoods!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Having more & more events happening downtown.
Upscale, diverse community Sense of pride Where you want to live because it offers everything & is beautiful.
Modern Progressive Diverse
thriving desirable great place to work
Thriving Safe Clean and Green
Safe bedroom community Visually appealing

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Attractive shops
Better life Quality of school Safe place
Restaurants Shopping Clean up the town
Safe, clean, inviting
Neighbourhoods better maintained to give a better view of the City. Have unused vehicles taken away from houses or deserted. active police force
Safe With excellent schools Economically thriving
affordable living
One large park, without combustible engines.
Healthy Truthful Safe
Healthy, thriving, welcoming community Delta recreation area, family and senior friendly facilities Green and tech industry hub
dynamic waterfront destination variety of housing choices revitalized older neighborhoods
A Smart City On the front end of innovation With much shorter commute times, through both increasing high-wage jobs here and the use of autonomous vehicles on the freeways.
Alternative Modes of Transportation Mix of Market rate and low-income housing in all multi-family housing developments Reduced dependence on the automobile for local transportation
Clean and Safe City Quality Schools Inclusive
more jobs more trees/beautification of existing parks/trails maintain diversity & strong sense of community
healthy and safe community accessibility to all modes of safe transportation (walking/biking/cars/bus/BART) quality employment, education & recreation for all ages
Thriving/Lively Happy Attractive
Walkable, Bikeable, Healthy Diverse, Inclusive, Equitable Sustainable, Climate Resilient

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Hire an exceptional marketing firm to change the reputation of the city to become a destination for businesses, leisure, shopping, dining, and living.
Make it happen (development plans), sooner than later. Please
parks
I love the Marina area and would like to see it attracting quality life style to increase ownership and complimenting existing owners and social clubs. A suggested 5-star seafood type restaurant on the Marina with banquet facilities sounds like a good idea. Scott's, Dead Fish, Smith's Landing or similar would be a drawing card to upgrade the area and attract more out-of-towners.
Deveras hagan algo (<i>English translation: You should do something</i>)
Let's make it happen!
Make Pittsburg better, not worse!!!
Keep up the great work. Appreciate the workshops. Pittsburg has changed a lot since I was a kid growing up in Concord. I invested in the city because I believe that the changes are happening, so keep us on the right path.
Thank you for allowing this venue to express our concerns. I want to see our tax dollars going to the most important issues that will ultimately create a safer and beautiful city of Pittsburg for all.
We absolutely need to attract a chain grocery store for our citizens. It is absurd that anyone should drive to a different city to shop for groceries.
Please encourage more community participation and provide the space for community input. Lastly, keep the health of our planet in mind.
We are so glad they city is active in improving Pittsburg and feel we landed a hidden gem buying a home downtown. We'd love to see East 8th/9th/10th streets shone some TLC like the west parts of downtown (street lights/trees/improved sidewalks) and maybe some incentives for historic houses to be updated properly or flipped. There should be a code against homes looking more like "squatting" situations. Also, city regulators on liter and feces clean up (library area, downtown). Updated library is a must!!! Use the old bank building downtown. Bring out some younger families downtown by doing so (the little library by the freeway isn't a good location access and safety wise - libraries and parks go hand in hand when it comes to kids and after school usage) Walnut Creek and Brentwood are our favorites.
Please put in grocery stores like Trader Joe's or Whole Foods. There are too many markets that are not very good quality and limited choices in types of food. We need more markets that provide organic and healthy food choices.
It would be nice to not have to see a church literally on every corner. It is very telling if a community has more churches and liquor stores than anything, people are in crisis.
It would also be nice to see more recycling and garbage cans on the city streets.
I see the resent changes and I am liking what I see.
Please take care of the potholes on Leland.
Eliminate refined carbohydrates that kids at school are consuming to avoid future learning and behavior problems
Thank you for doing this survey and for the extra efforts put into reaching out to for input on the city's

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planning.
This is a comment I would like to share; We have too much congestion now and every city seems to want more tax revenue by building more housing. Create individual sustainable area to enable residents to work within the areas they live. I appreciate the efforts by the City to help all residents feel part of the City of Pittsburg.
Repave W. Leland Rd from Railroad Av. to Bailey Rd.
Let's get cleaned up. Don't overlook things, hold people accountable for trashing our city. No littering, no throwing cigarettes out the window, enforce maintenance of over grown yards and trees, and clean up the homeless encampments.
Keep the best interest of all of the city, not just a small select few. There are too many voices out there, listen to God's voice - He always has everyone's best interest in mind.
I would love to see all of these things, but I do not want my property taxes to increase. How will all of this be funded? Are there reviews of existing services underway?
Not at this time!
I would like to see a bridge over Hwy 4 connecting Range Road so we can have another way to access Rancho Medanos Middle School. We already have the road, all we need is a bridge connecting both. It makes no sense for the community of west Pittsburg to have to go around to Bailey Road and Railroad Ave to get to that side of town. That bridge would be a good way to reduce traffic on Railroad Ave and Bailey Road.
Make sure infrastructure planning is part of any build/growth for the city. Police Force, Medical Support, Roads & transportation, sustainable energy/electrical power supply, and community involvement & communication are all essential to our city's success.
Clean up our streets and repair the roads (pot holes), clear vacant buildings
The golf course shut-down was a shame. This could be a draw were it enhanced. I hope the open space will go toward open land use for residents.
Please ensure that a skatepark is created in the city as we are the only city without one. There are too many bad things kids could be doing out there, and a place where they can be active would better the children of Pittsburg.
Please use infill housing rather than expansion. Do not put everything on Railroad and Harbor. Traffic is horrible most times of day.
Please make improving quality of life a priority.
There are many worthy additions & enhancements to our city, and limited resources to accomplish them. It's important to attract and retain businesses and higher income residents to provide the tax revenues needed to continue improving Pittsburg, a challenge for all of us. Thanks for providing a vehicle for my views.
the city council needs to adhere the the city's citizens.
WE HAVE A LARGE SPANISH COMMUNITY. THIS SAME ELECTRONIC SURVEY MUST BE OFFERED IN SPANISH IF YOU TRULY WAND INPUT OF ALL RESIDENTS. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THAT HAPPEN WITHIN THIS MONTH.
As a 3rd Gen Pittsburg native, My team is moving to Pitt from Oakland and we are going to do what we can to market the city in a better light and help young designers learn about the options of working with design and technology #BRIDGEGOOD
I would like to see another high school and college in the city. And a very much improved school district

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communication system in place. The one in use now makes the Flintstones look like modern times.
parks are very important for peace of mind
Embracing the General Plan to continue improve the City of Pittsburg
no
I would like to keep the Bocce Ball courts at Highlands Park. I would like to keep the Downtown Park with baseball diamonds and soccer fields. I do not want a ton of affordable housing. We have enough now.
I think we should be paying attention to the housing crisis that is effecting much of the Bay Area, and making smart plans about density of housing near our BART stations and other transit hubs. I would also love to see our Farmer's Market expand- I went to college in Olympia, Washington, which had a great Th-Sun market that ran April through December. Their model included spots for local businesses. Nurseries, a few clothing stalls, soaps and other types of places filled in between stands selling produce, dairy, and meat. I also wish we had Movies in the Park more often- I'd go to the park near me as often as once a month in warm months, not just the one time in the summer it's offered in that park. More changes I want to see- is there a place where neighborhood meeting notes go that is accessible online? Or at least what was getting presented? The meetings tend to take place when I'm either at work or sleeping. Speaking of which, is there some reason that all the "volunteer with/for your community" opportunities only seem to happen in the morning? I'm generally not up until 10 on weekends, and not really ready to get out of the house until noon, so I miss out on doing things like volunteer park clean ups. I'd be happy to help from 1-4 sometimes, though!
I teach adults who have a low level of education and need jobs that fit their needs that are local. Many rely on bus transportation. Many have some learning disabilities. Please support adult schools that cater to those individuals' needs in your community.
If you don't live in this city than take what your city has changed to improve your living standards in your own community than apply that here in our city of Pittsburg. We need planners who experience our own difficulties every day so the proper measures are taken to make our City of Pittsburg a safe, well planned community.
You need to make these changes sooner than 2040.
not at this time
Don't develop the Pittsburg Hills. Please.
I really want to stress installing the blink indicator on the traffic lights on School Street and Harbor Street.
I know this is a small thing, but does anyone ever look at how filthy the postal mailboxes are?(Atlantic Plaza). Please look at it. I've watched it for more than 6 months. Not a person working there has any interest of how filthy those mailboxes are.
no
Enough single family homes. Need more work opportunities.
Good job with managing your funds it really showed when Pittsburg was able to weather through the 2008 recession.
Your Plan needs to address & care for "all" people living here, & address regenerative circular city plans that are sustainable more than growth oriented
The City should focus on creating mixed-use neighborhoods within the existing City boundary and create job centers near BART or other high frequency public transit lines. Please create design guidelines/specific plans to foster classic retail districts in western/San Marco, central downtown, and

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eastern Pittsburg (for example: look at College Avenue or Piedmont Avenue in Oakland). The city of Pittsburg should stop growing as a predominantly single-family residential bedroom community with strip malls; instead it should focus on what attracts young families, empty nesters and retirees: they want to live, work, and shop in the same community. We're tired of commuting over the hill for everything! Pittsburg is a great community with great natural resources/assets: focus on protecting the hills and waterfront while designing around them to showcase their beauty. Consider annexing Bay Point to create a comprehensive plan for the Pittsburg/Bay Point area. Also, annex the Mt. Diablo Unified School district schools in Pittsburg into Pittsburg Unified school district - the high school students (many children of color) are unfairly burdened with commuting to Concord for high school. Also, upgrade the water system in San Marco - the more houses are built, the less water pressure!

I appreciate the opportunity to provide input!

Try your best to make this a smart city and attract talent of all kind to enhance the city gradually into something that will be the leader of the county and perhaps a competitor with comparative advantages in many different sectors to San Francisco and Oakland by 2040.

I want Pittsburg to be a desirable place to live in, an when we invite family an friends they can see the beauty of our city. An not see Homeless in every corner , graffiti, trashy streets, trashy shopping stores , more Police Present on our streets, an definitely a more safer city for all of us.

I believe we have the potential to be like Danville, San Ramon, Walnut Creek. Why not. I also believe we are heading the correct way. :clap:

Stop building houses.

Move the homeless out of Pittsburg

Focus on getting business that will pay high wages so residents can stop commuting 2 hours each way

We have an extreamly unessasary littering problem even more so around the our water (wetlands) its disheartening that our citizens would be so careless or that pittsburg doesnt enforce rules against it that are working.

I've reside in Pittsburg for many years, & yes I've seen some great changes, especially downtown. Safety is very important. We have heard/seen idiots doing "donuts" in the wee hours of the morning. I have asked many a times to have cameras placed, especially in the areas where Police get calls to. Dumping is a big issue in our area which is located at the end of Range Rd. We are tired of seeing our neighborhood as a dump. More importantly, we don't want to see this Tech Park go up at the Golf course. I moved here to Pittsburg because I love to see the hills. I don't want to see big traffic jams as I already have experienced. On a happier note, I so much enjoy seeing activities going on downtown & we really need more great restaurants & shops in good locations throughout Pittsburg. I see Antioch really thriving & I would rather support merchants here in Pittsburg.

Make it something special not just cookie cutter buildings, something unique that shows its age and all the culture so people will want to come and check us out and be proud to live. Not a bunch of buildings that look the same and that are painted the same. Fountains , green space, eclectic People are use to passing us by to get to Brentwood. We need to offer something different so they want to see us and shop her and live here. It's time to make us seen and maybe change the name (the word Pitts isn't that appealing lol) bring in color and life.

No

I would like for you to charge people who waste water (anonymous call)

I tried to put plus dots wasn't able to do it in all of the questions

Take more interet in the WHOLE city not just certain areas ie Bay Point

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Pittsburg High School is getting to be so big, student population wise. Is there a plan to create another high school? Or another campus, so that neither sports teams and the marching band are affected, if that is a concern.

Sad to see the golf course go.

More open space. Improve the delta.

Transparency and regular communication to all, regardless of language, ethnicity, income

whatever the plans ends up looking like it needs a healthy economic foundation build upon good jobs, good governmental fiscal management, and to the extent possible a low tax burden on the residents.

Keep up the good work.

Low income families need help to find affordable and decent place to live and avoid becoming homeless which leads to a lot others problems that affect children and consequently their behavior at schools and environment.

I've heard people talk about the lack of things to attract people to the City and its lack of nightlife.

I constantly hear that it's hard to keep your money in Pittsburg with the overall lack of shopping and entertainment options. I think this is very true! We need family friendly places that attract residents/visitors and generate more revenue for our community. We also need to financially partner with our school district. They're their own separate entity, but we need to spend city resources on education if we want to attract jobs and quality amenities. Once those kids graduate and earn higher wages, we need to attract them back into town to raise our buying power. That'll attract the businesses that we all want!