

Open House #2 Summary

August 4, 2014
6:30PM – 8:00PM
Walker Art Center

Purpose of Meeting

- Summarize how previous public comments have been addressed
- Share results of additional analysis
- Solicit input on modified roadway design options

Materials and Participation

210 people signed in to the open house. A questionnaire was distributed, asking specific questions on preference between design options. 145 questionnaires and 24 general comment sheets were submitted.

Open house materials were organized into 5 stations, with displays illustrating the following:

- 1) Background and Layout Options
 - Need for project and project description
 - Previous comment themes
 - Option 1 and Option 2 layouts with callouts identifying features, a bulleted list of elements included, and traffic information
- 2) Groveland/Douglas Area
 - Groveland intersection improvements – concept and visual representations
 - Options A, B, C for Douglas median area
- 3) Vineland/Oak Grove area
 - Vineland intersection improvements – concept and visual representations
- 4) Next Steps
 - Schedule
 - Landscape/visual design considerations – concept layout identifying areas of opportunity for potential improvements
- 5) Comments
 - Opportunity to respond to questionnaire and provide any additional comments



Results of the questionnaire are summarized on the following page, along with next steps in the process.

Questionnaire Results

(exhibits and specific comments are available at www.hennepinlyndaleproject.com)

Option 1/Option 2

Which option do you prefer?

Option 1	10
Option 2	110
Another option	13
No response	12
Total number of responses	145

Douglas Median Area Options

Which option do you prefer for reconfiguration of the Douglas median area?

Option A	33
Option B	21
Option C	43
None of these options	17
No response	31
Total number of responses	145

Physical and Visual Quality

How do you think the combined existing walks, trails, and green space and the proposed additional space (shown in purple) should be used? (e.g., landscape, public art, street furnishings, or other enhancements)

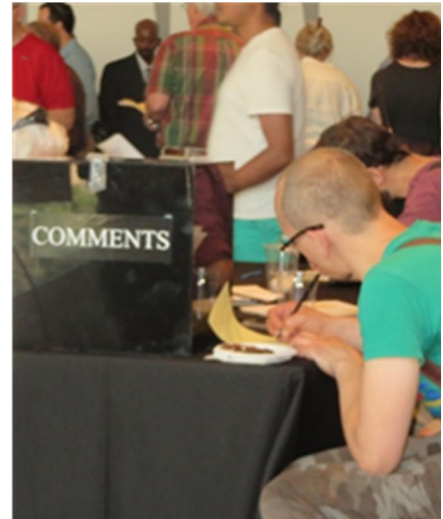
114 people responded to this question, often offering multiple ideas. Below are the most popular responses.

- Additional landscaping/green space, with focus on low maintenance (*most mentioned*)
- Separate bike/walk paths (*2nd most mentioned*)
- Street furnishings (benches, bike fixing stations, water fountains, etc)
- Better bus stops
- Public art
- No public art – too distracting, redundant with Sculpture Garden
- Improved bike/pedestrian-scale lighting and screening from roadway

To improve the visual quality of the corridor, what is your single greatest priority?

110 people responded to this question. Below are the most popular responses.

- More greening (*nearly half indicated this as their priority*)
- Better/slower traffic flow, scale back roadway
- Safety and wayfinding
- Pedestrian, bike, and transit friendly
- Public art
- Placemaking/identity



Next Steps

- Meeting materials, comment log, and survey results are posted on the project website at www.hennepinlyndaleproject.com
- Development of the final layout will proceed for approval by the Minneapolis City Council, followed by more detailed design and environmental review
- Options for landscape and visual quality improvements will be the focus of the next open house, scheduled for this winter