



Arlington Bridge Solutions  
**Community Workshop #2**  
Report & Results



# Presentation Outline

- Workshop Goal & Objectives
- Explanation of Workshop Exercises
- Results from Workshop Exercises
- Applicability of public input gathered from Workshop Exercises to the project & Collaborative Planning Process



# Goal

To gain informed community input about travel habits, needs and crossing opportunities that can be included in the project planning process

# Objectives

- Participants are given the background to participate knowledgeably
- Participants are satisfied with the opportunities to participate
- Get usable information that is on-topic and can further the planning process

# What did we do at the Workshop?



# Background Presentation

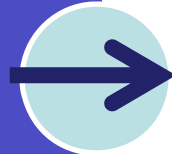
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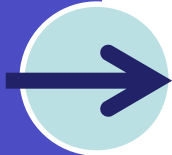
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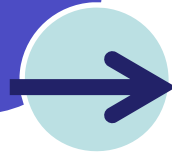
Project's Vision + Goals



Public Input to Date



Project Technical Information -  
*Bridge & Traffic*



Participation Guidelines

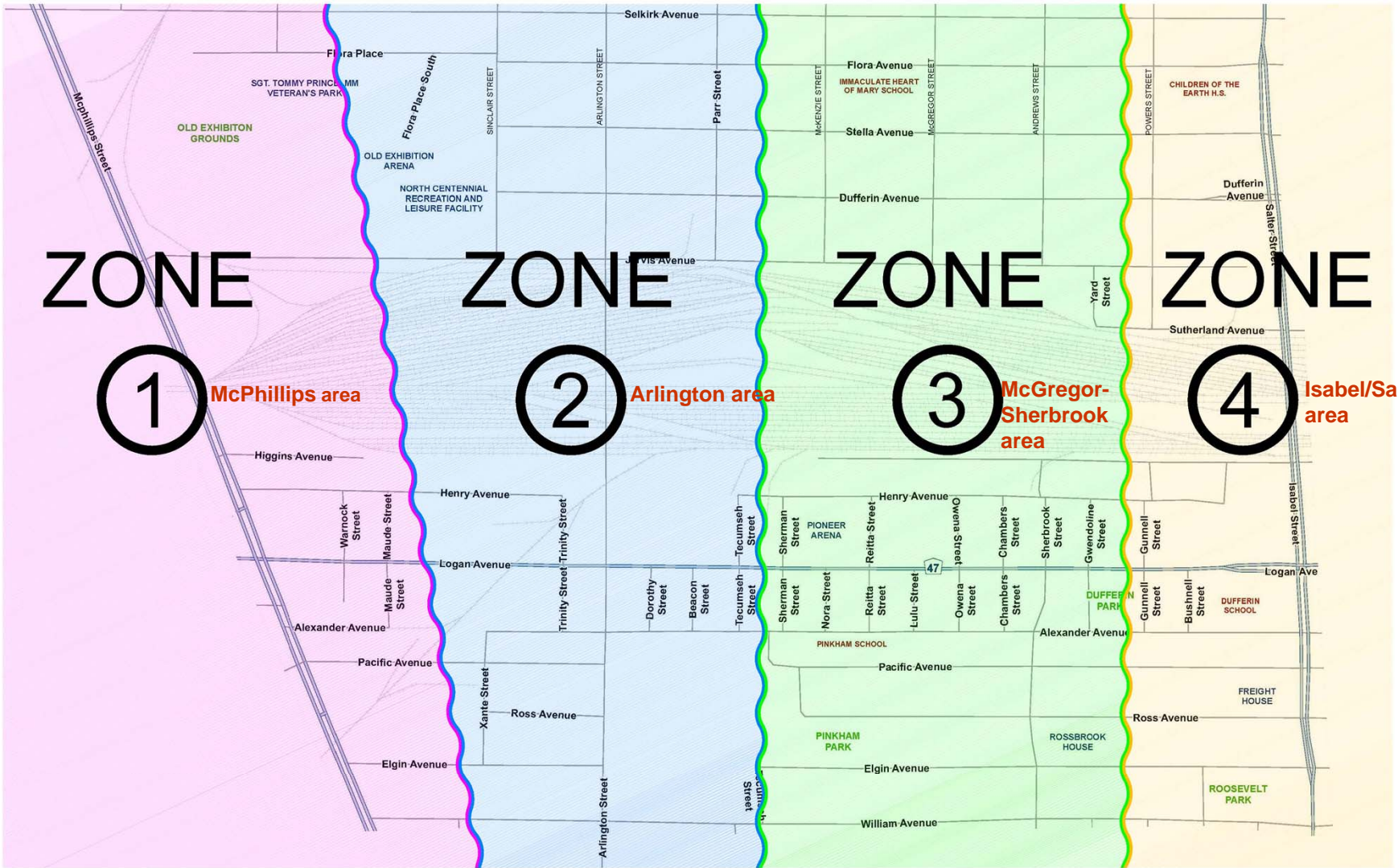
# Exercises – Activity 1a + 1b

## Preferred Crossing Zones \*

- This first exercise focused on community members' travel habits, mode of transportation and preferred crossing areas.
- Participants broke out into small groups to discuss and draw on maps:
  - Travel patterns and needs; mode of transportation AND
  - Where they picture crossing the CPR Yards in the future.

\* Next slide – zone map





ZONE

1

McPhillips area

ZONE

2

Arlington area

ZONE

3

McGregor-Sherbrook area

ZONE

4

Isabel/Salter area

# Zone Map



THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

# Exercises – Activity 2

## Table Topics:

- Next, community members' shared thoughts, ideas, needs, and wants on other topics supporting the project, its vision and goals.
- Participants broke out into small groups to discuss their preferred topic, in two rounds:
  - Aesthetics/Culture/Heritage
  - Safety/Security
  - Universal Accessibility
  - Community Gathering Place
  - Walking/Cycling Accommodation
  - Transit
  - Community Economic Development
  - Healthy Lives

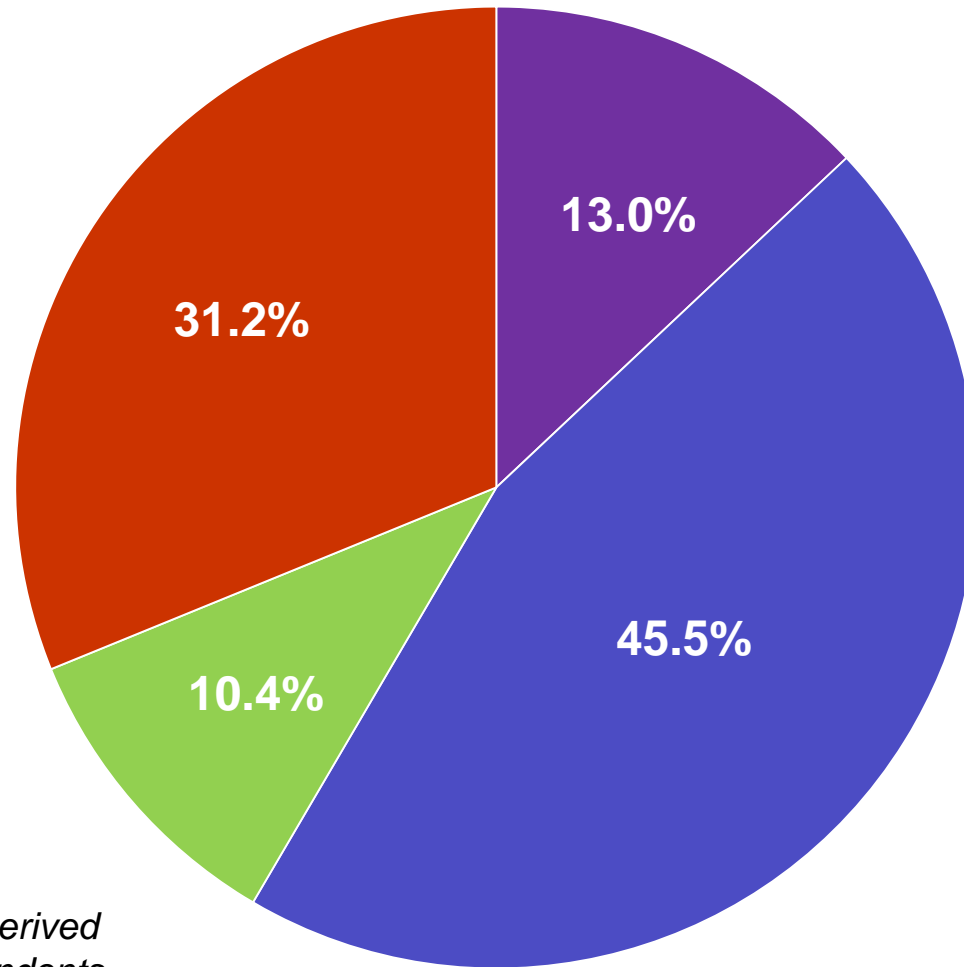


# Exercise 1a Results



# Results – Exercise 1

## Current Preferred Zone

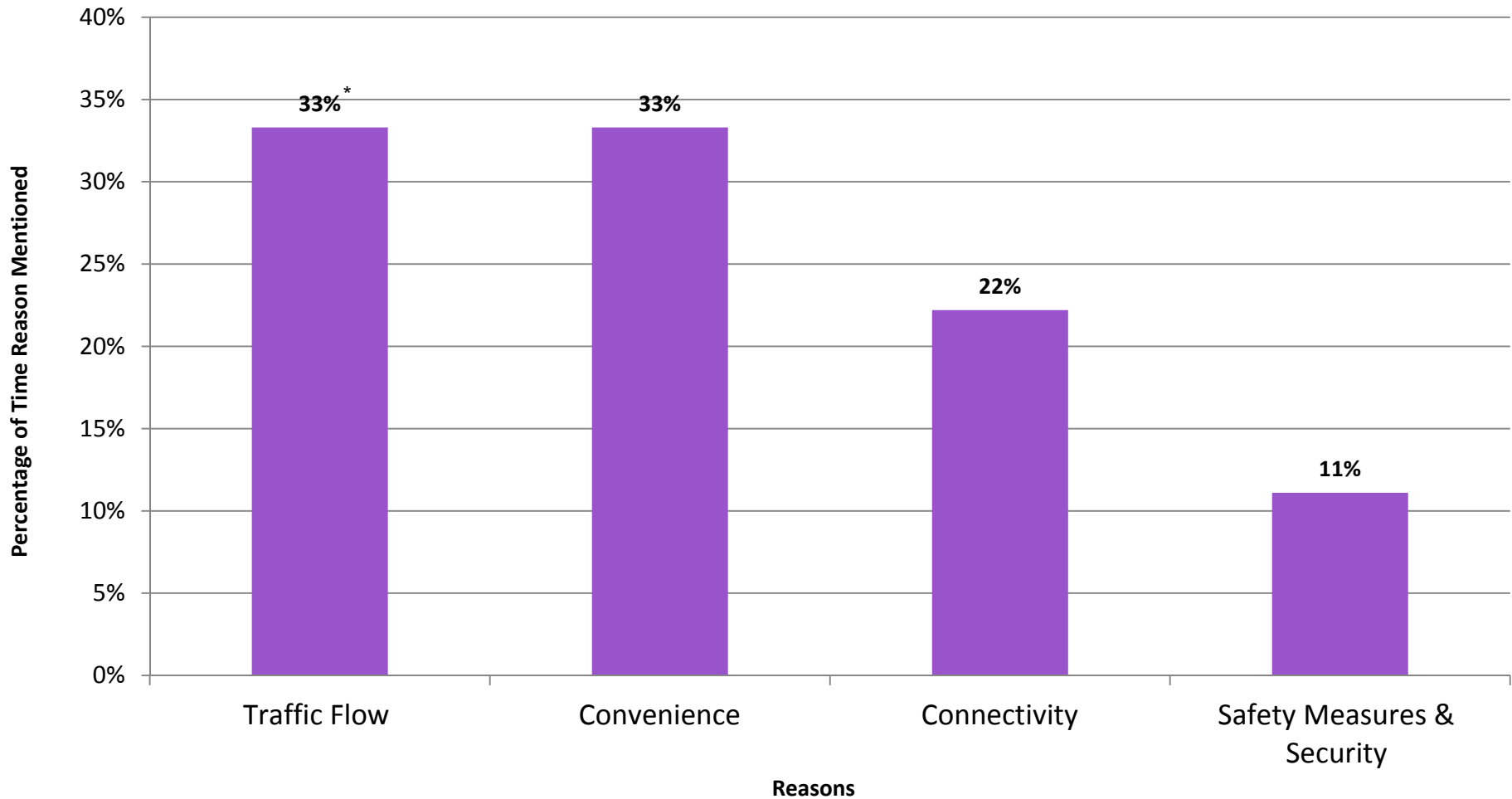
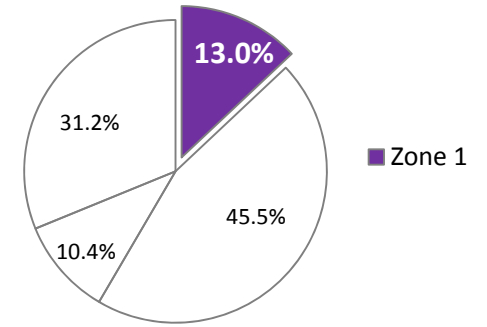


- Zone 1 McPhillips area
- Zone 2 Arlington area
- Zone 3 McGregor-Sherbrook area
- Zone 4 Isabel/Salter area

*\*Percentages derived from 77 respondents*

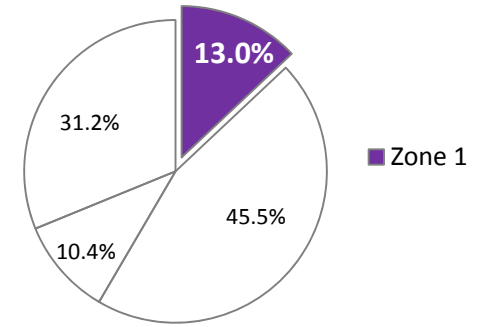
# Results Zone 1

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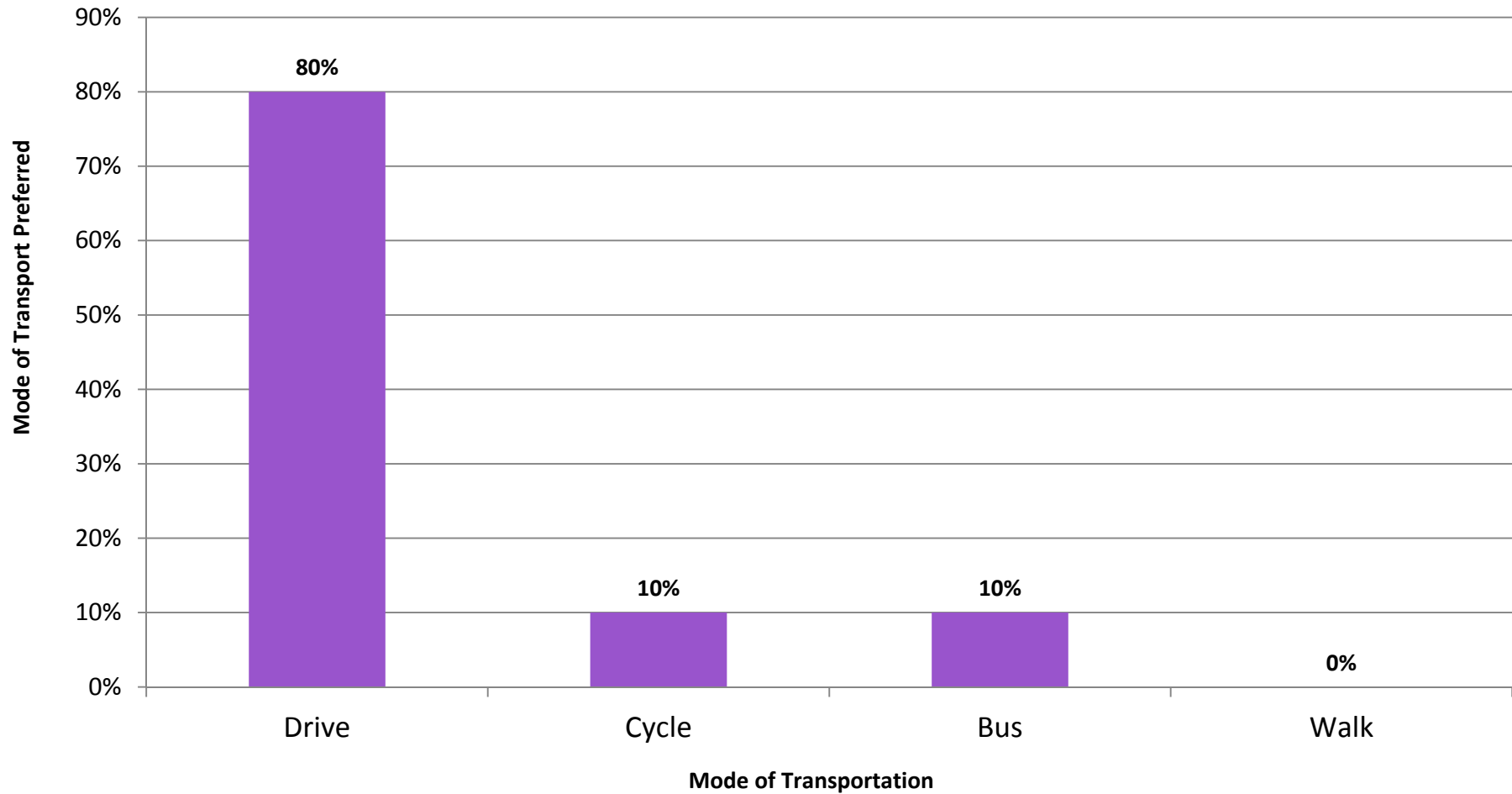


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# Results Zone 1

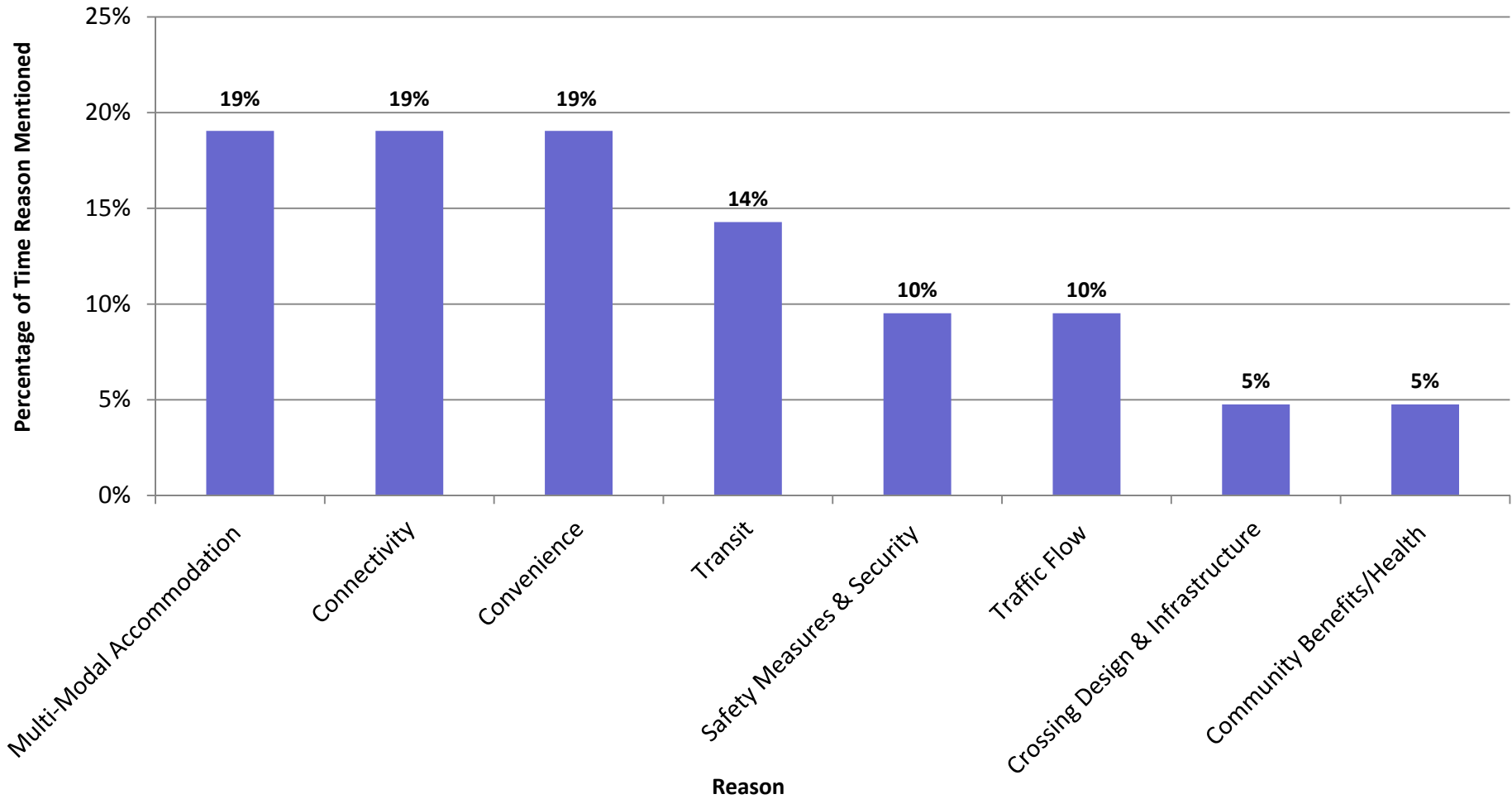
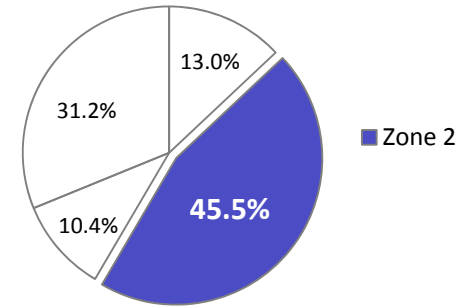


## Current Type of Transport Preferred for Zone 1

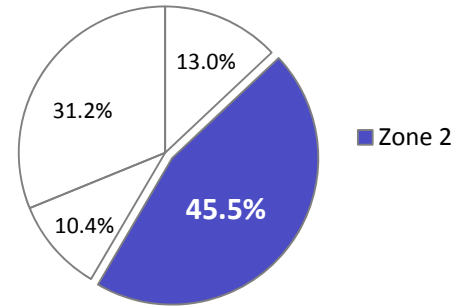


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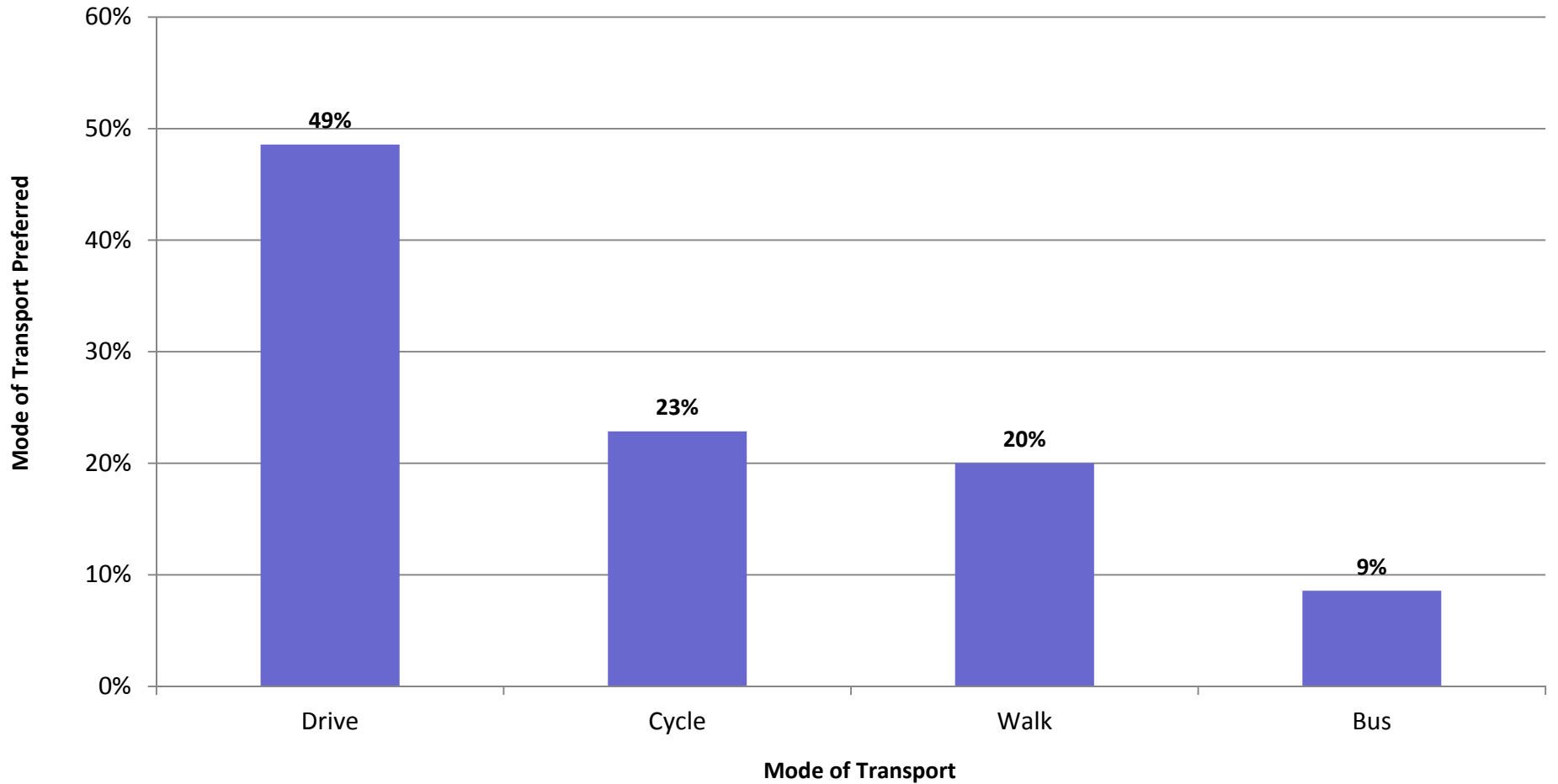
## Reasons for Choosing Zone 2 as Current Preferred Crossing



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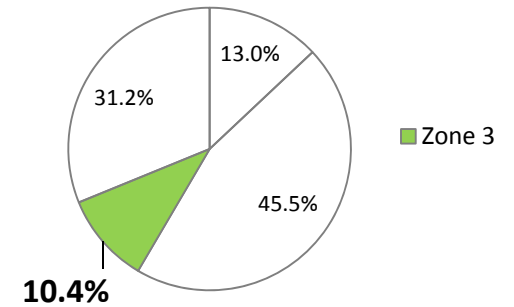


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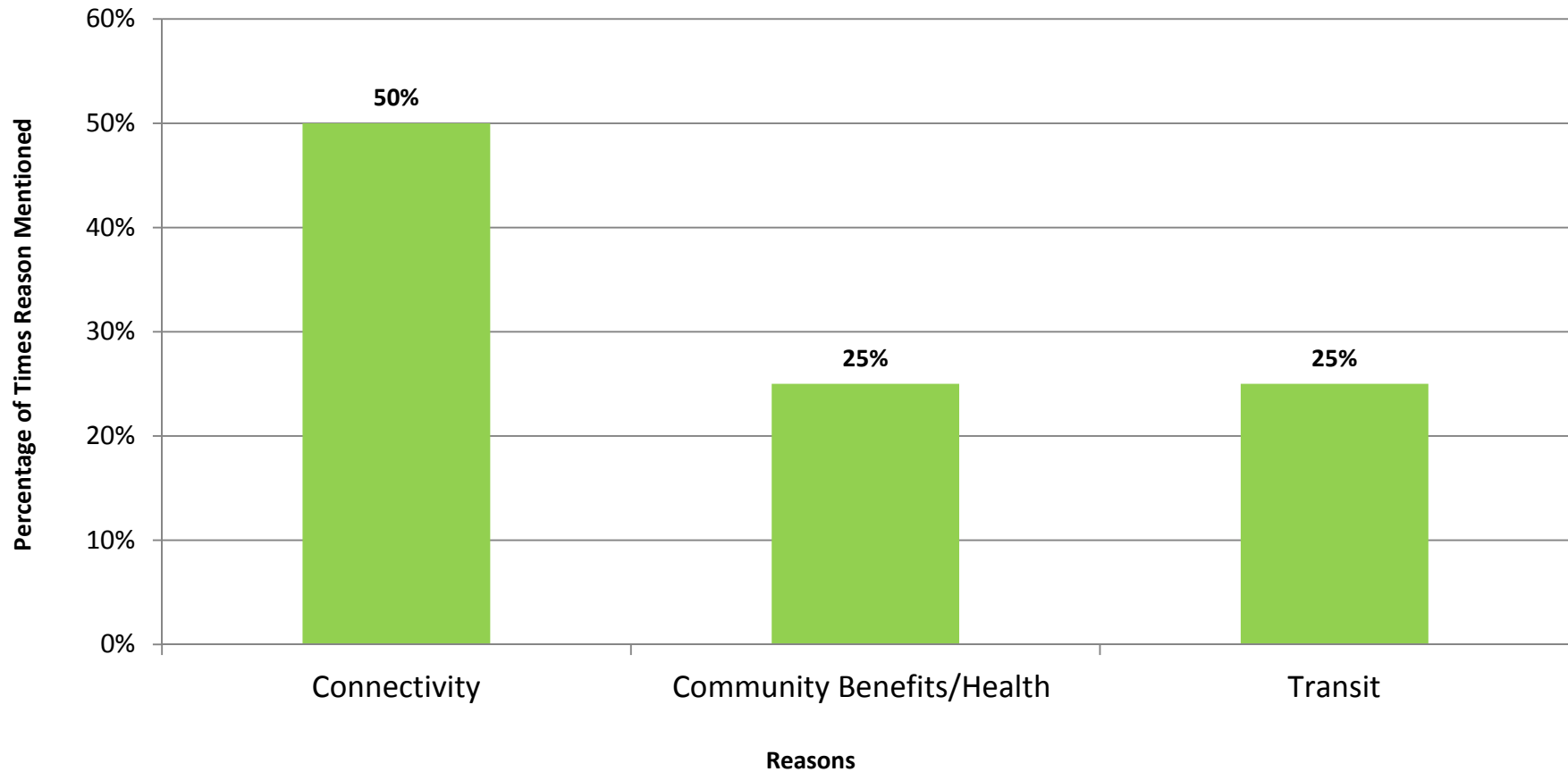


# Results Zone 3

*\*Zone 3 has no actual crossing but still mentioned as preferred current zone*

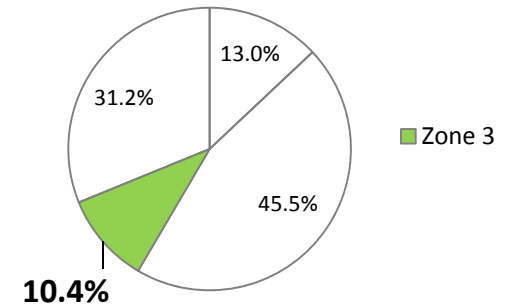


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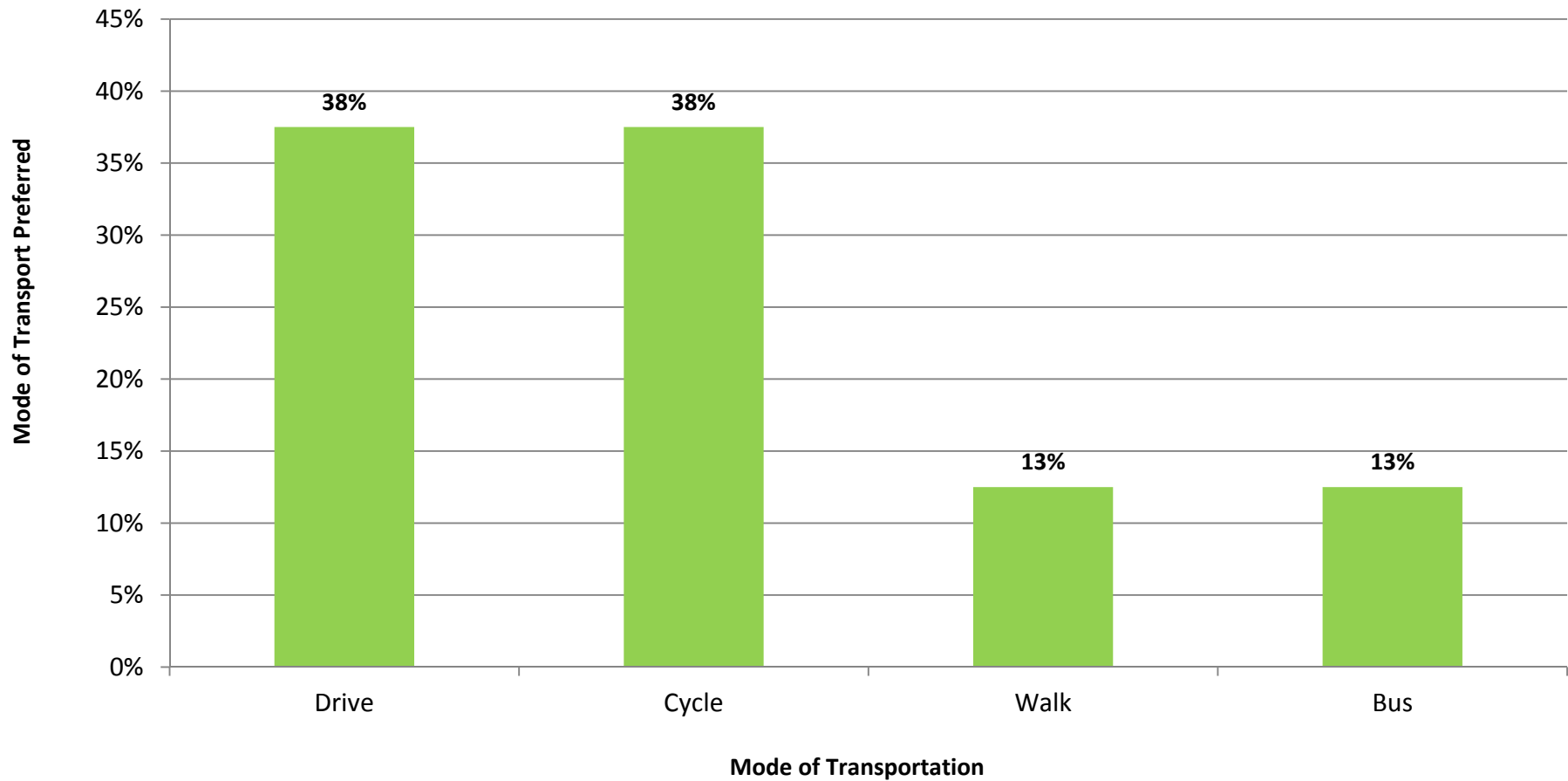


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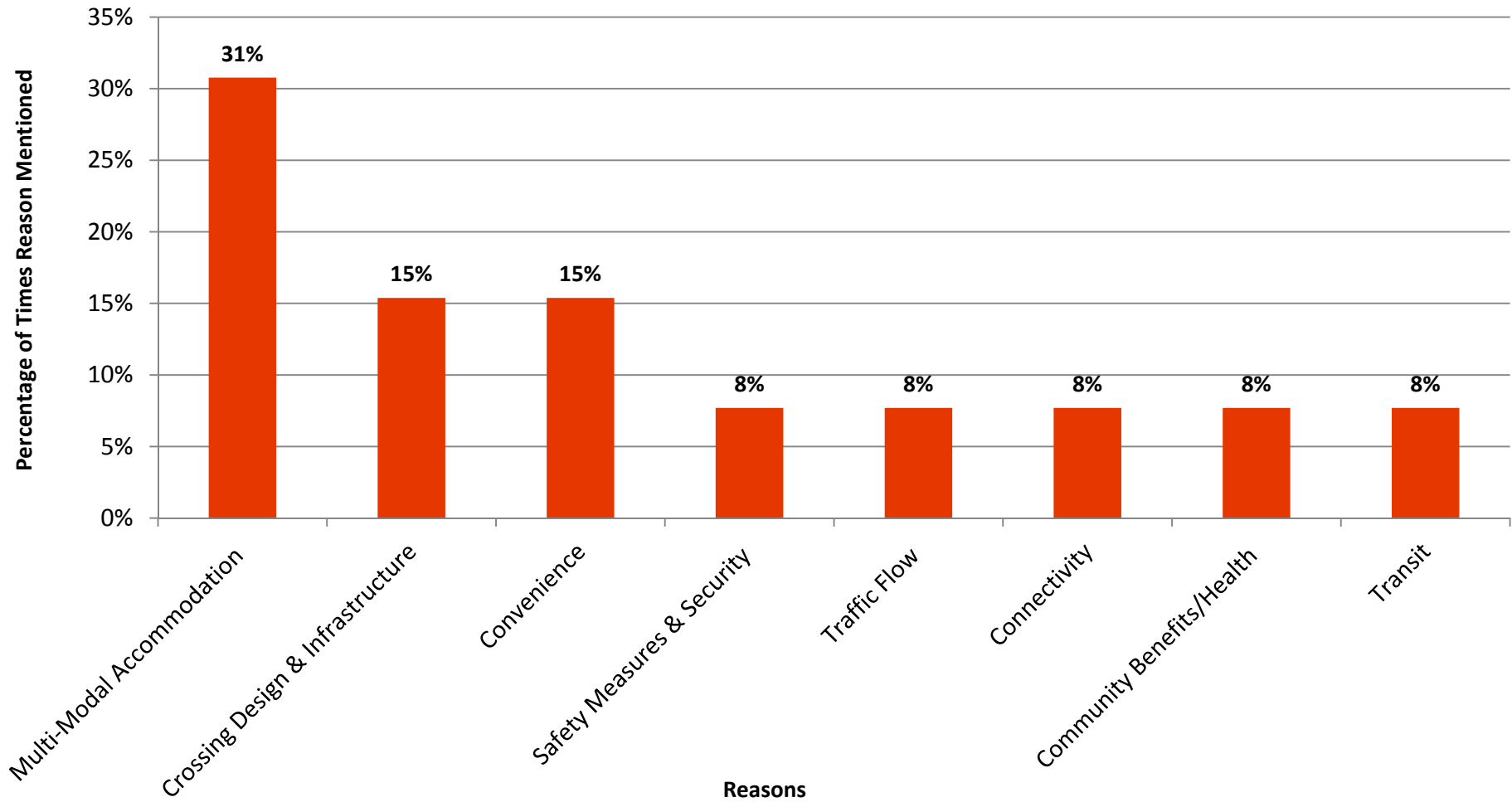
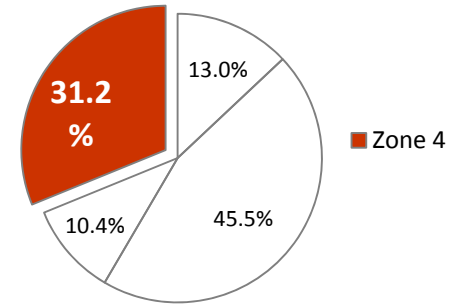
## Current Type of Transportation Preferred for Zone 3



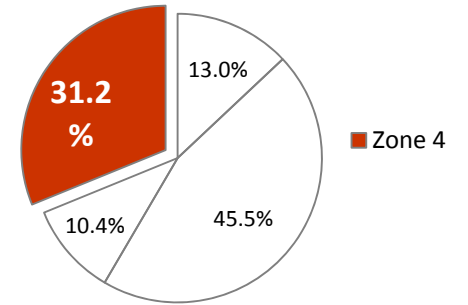


# Results Zone 4

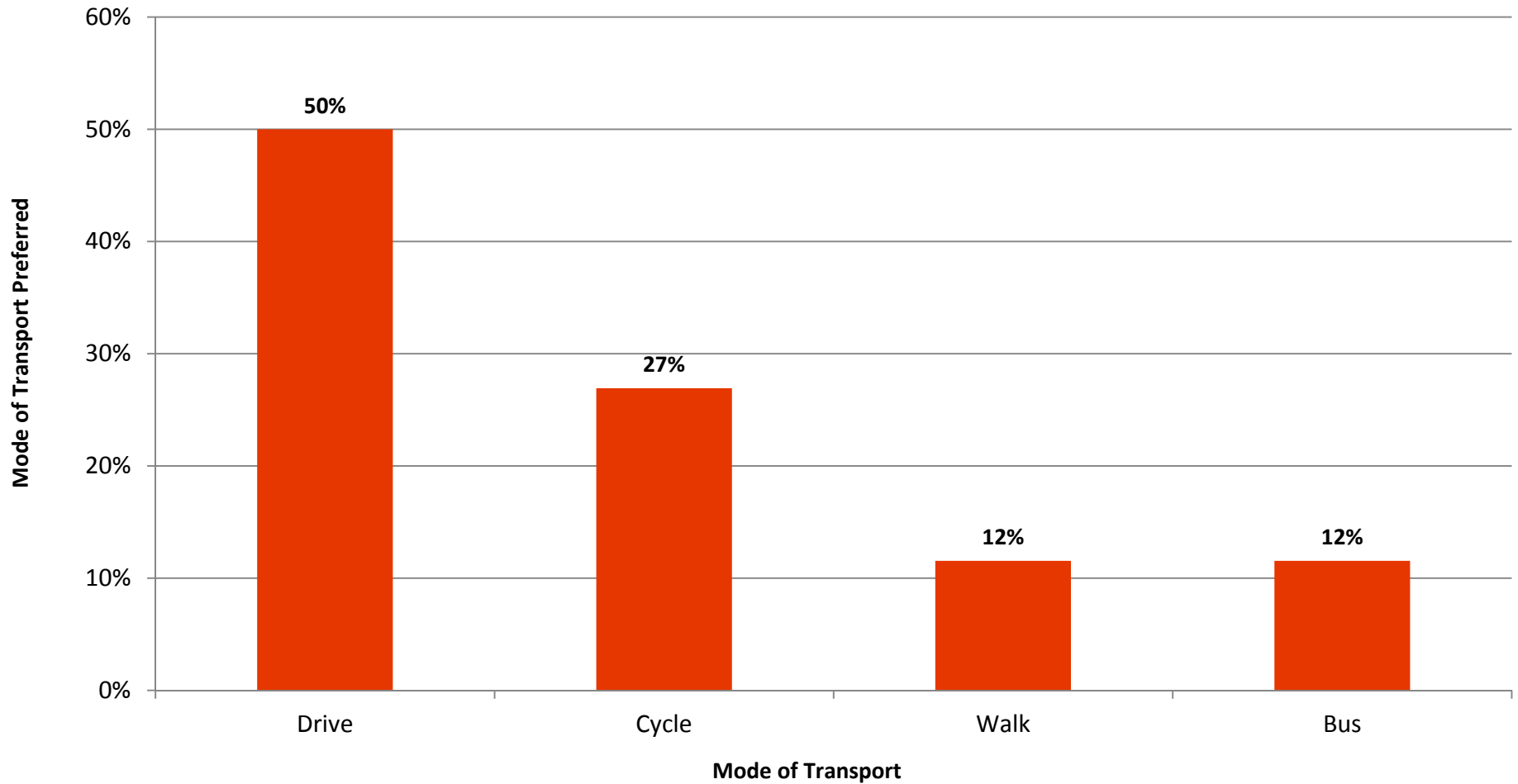
## Reasons for Choosing Zone 4 as Current Preferred Crossing



# Results Zone 4



## Current Type of Transportation Preferred for Zone 4



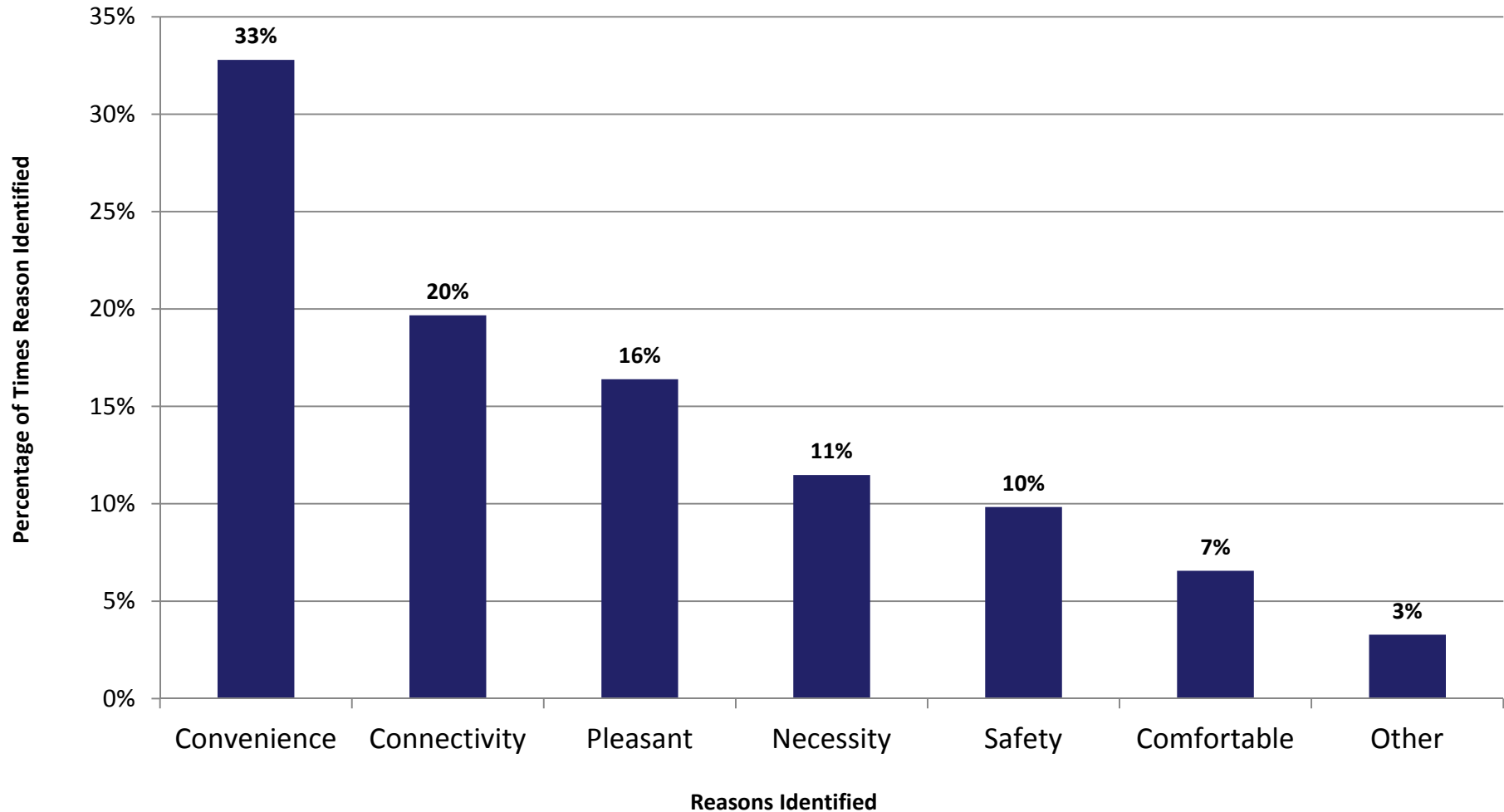
# Exercise 1b

## Results



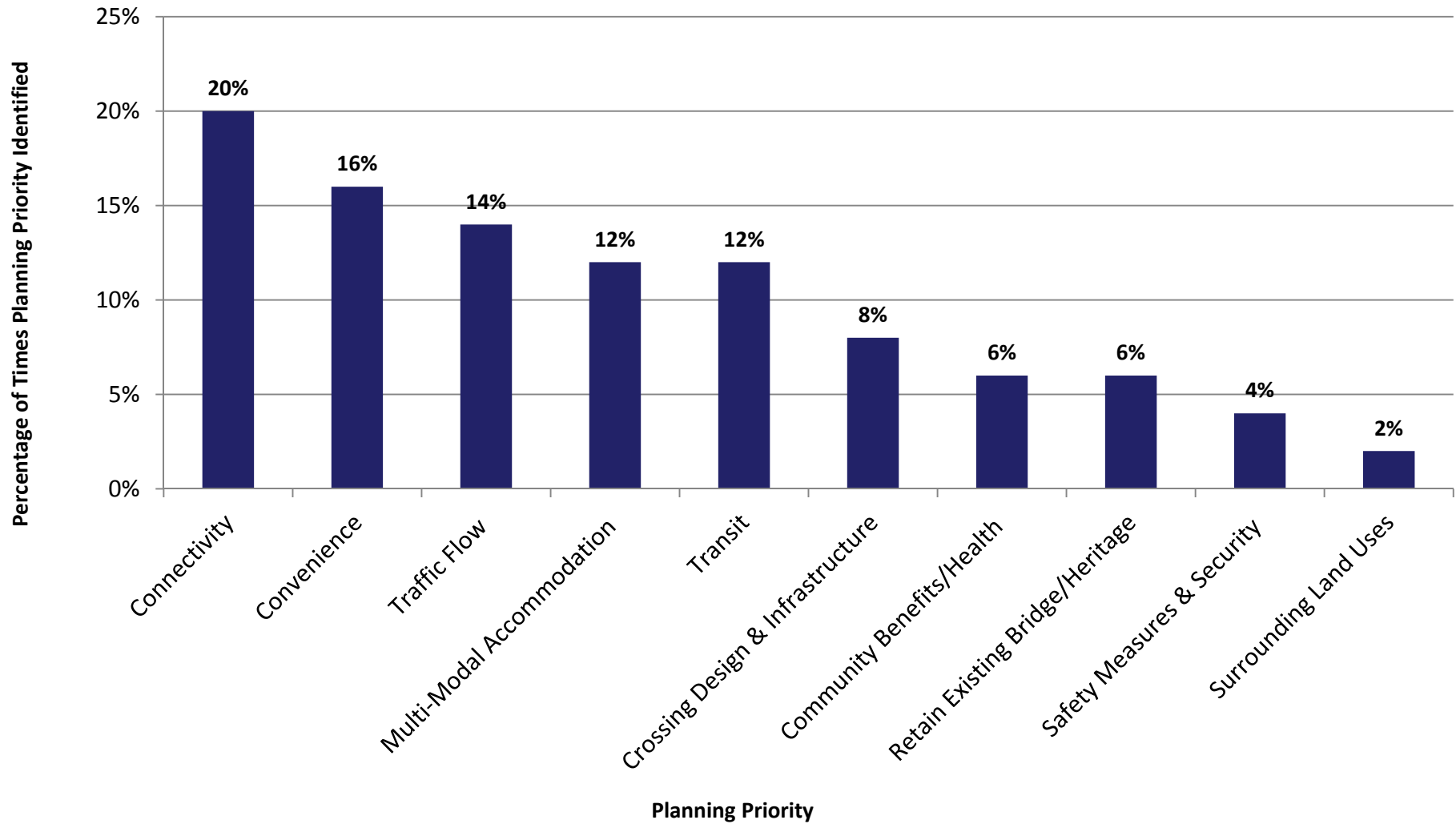
# Results – Exercise 1b

## Reasons Identified for Preferred Future Crossing



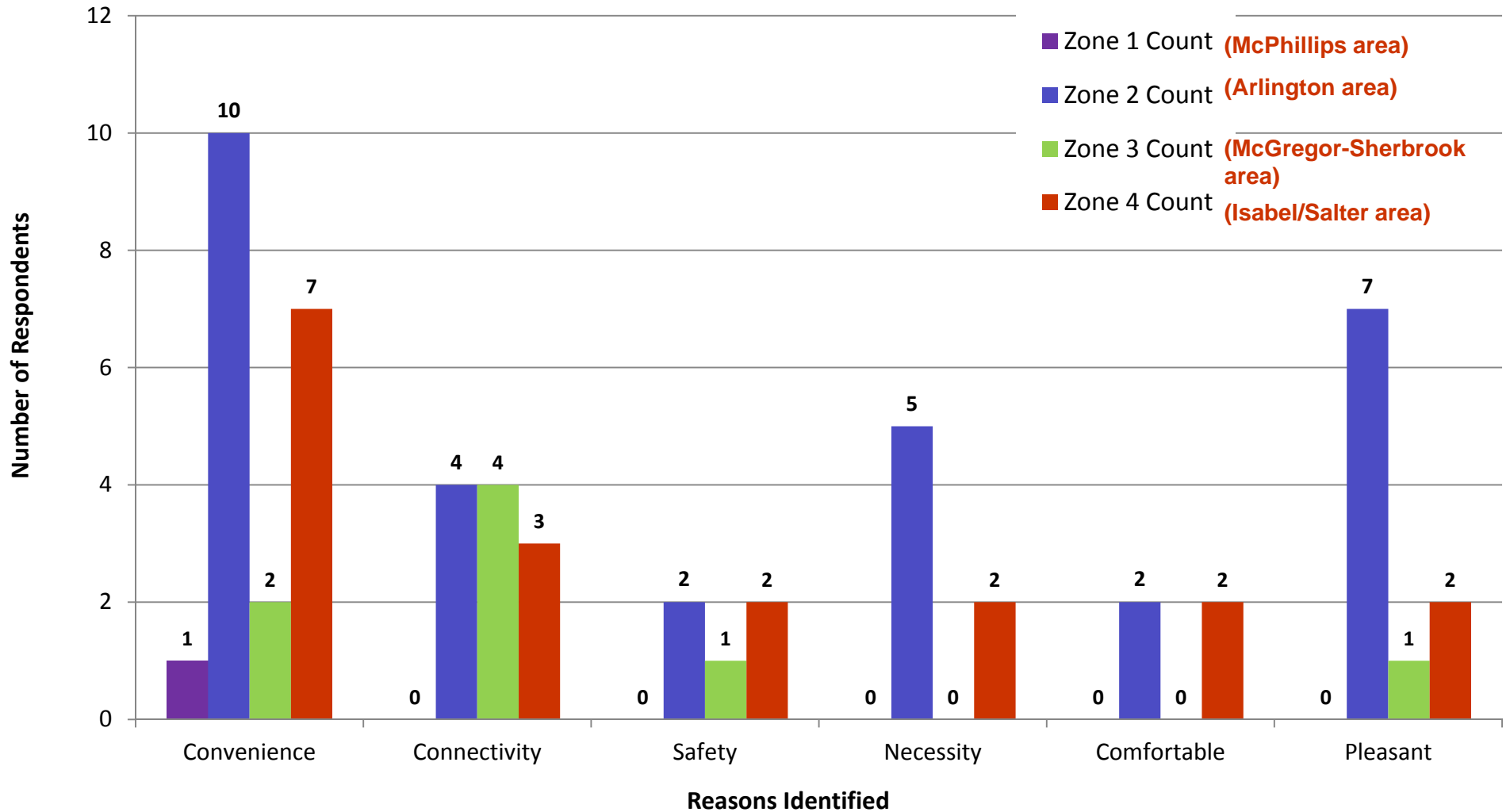
# Results – Activity 1b

## Planning Priorities Identified for a Preferred Future Crossing



# Results – Activity 1b

## Reasons for Participants' Preferred Future Crossing Zones (by Count)

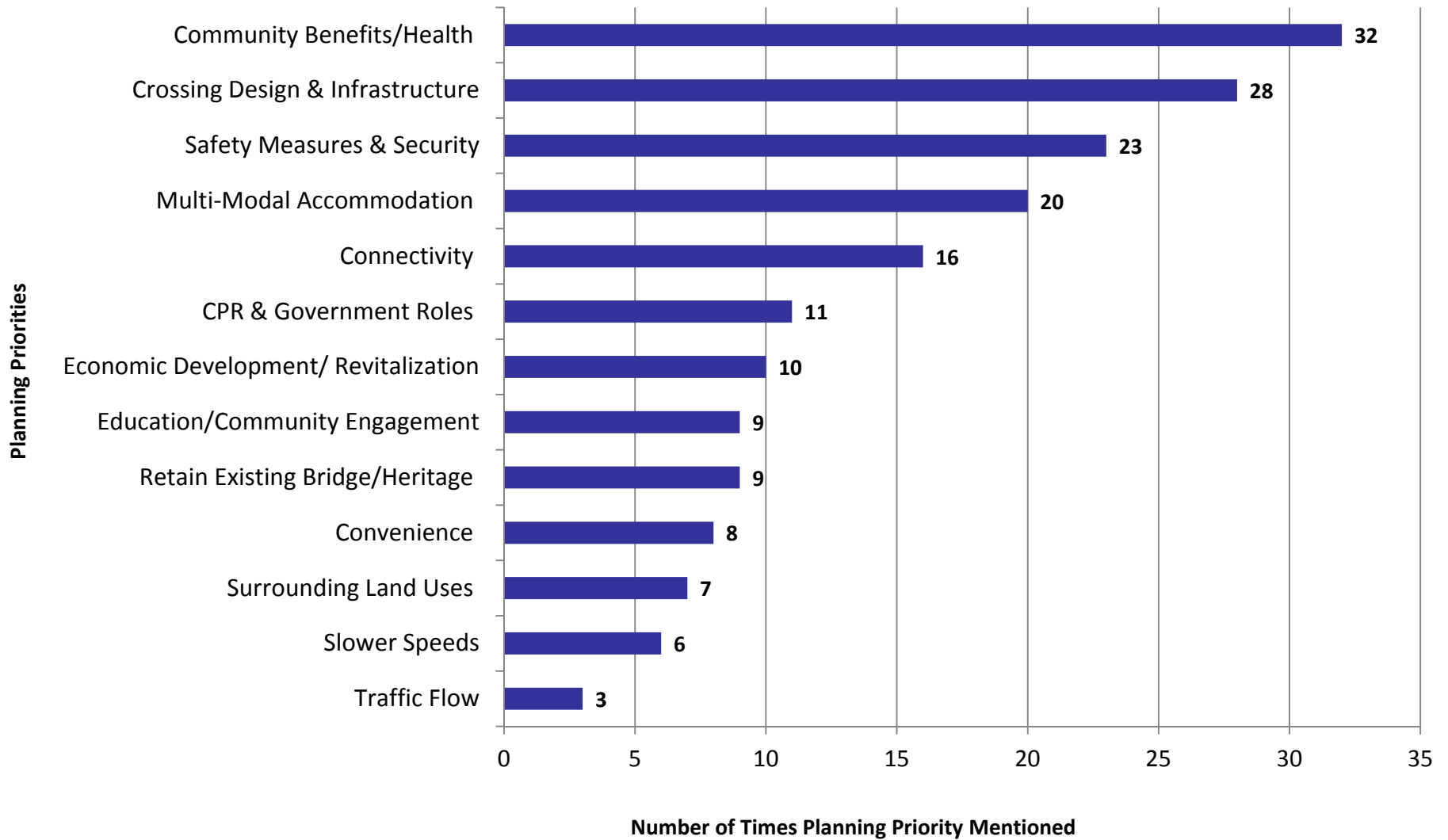


# Exercise 2 Results



# Results – Activity 2

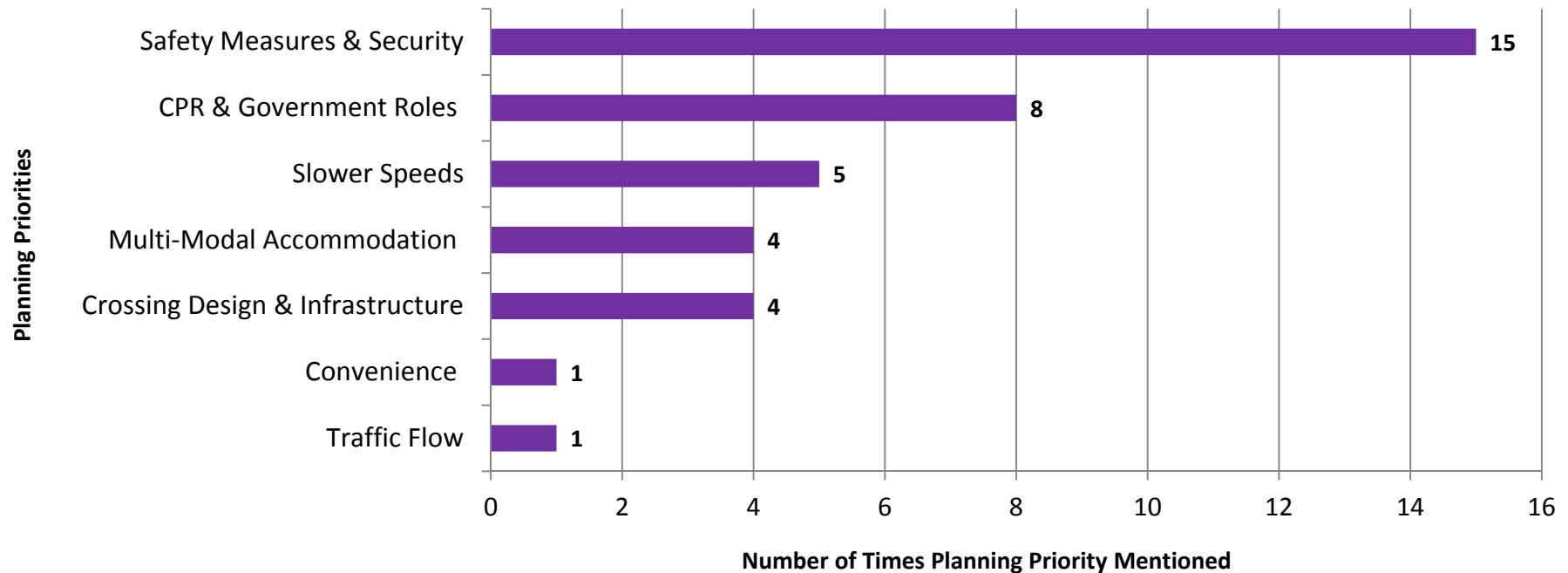
## Planning Priorities Identified in Table Topic Discussions





# Results – Activity 2

## Planning Priorities Mentioned for **Safety**

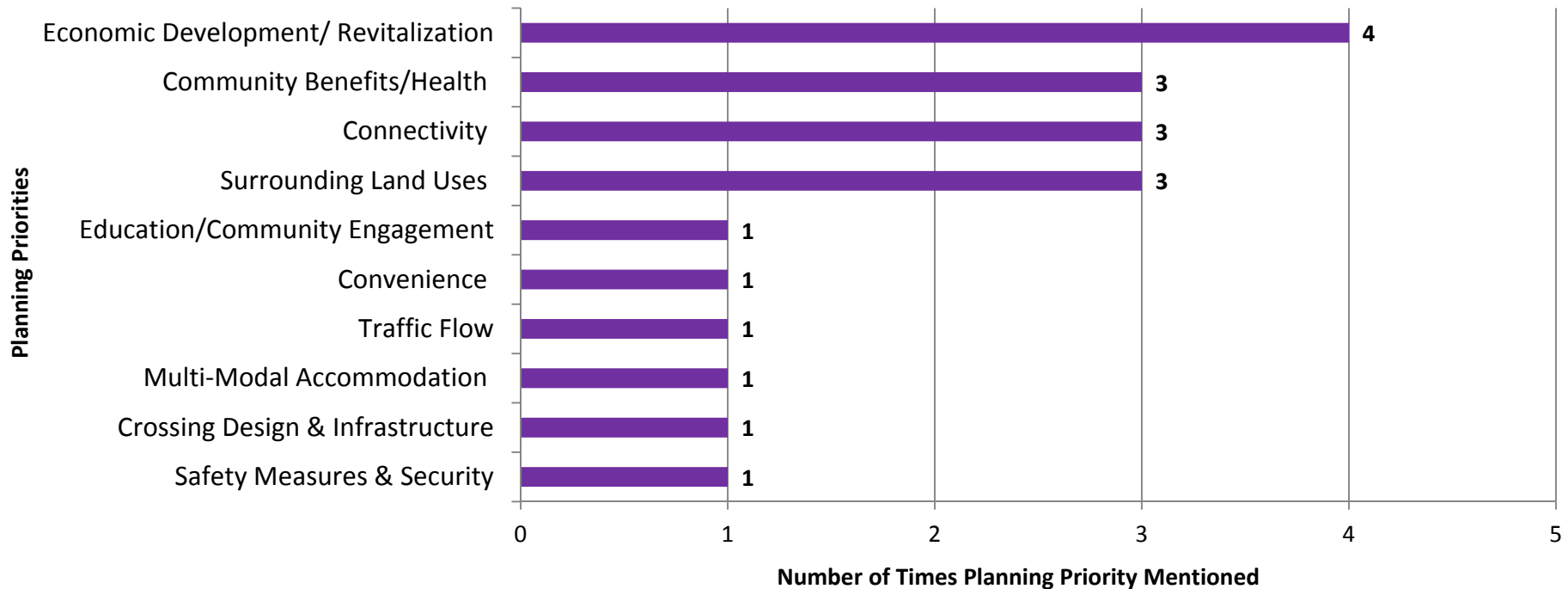


### ***Some participants' comments:***

- “Need people moving at slower speed to increase safety for everyone” – Slower Speeds
- “Lights and Cameras. Telephones/panic phones/panic buttons” – Safety Measures & Security
- “Safety needs to consider both over and under the bridge” – Safety Measures & Security
- “Issues of rail for malfunction” – CPR & Government Roles

# Results – Activity 2

## Planning Priorities Mentioned for Community Economic Development

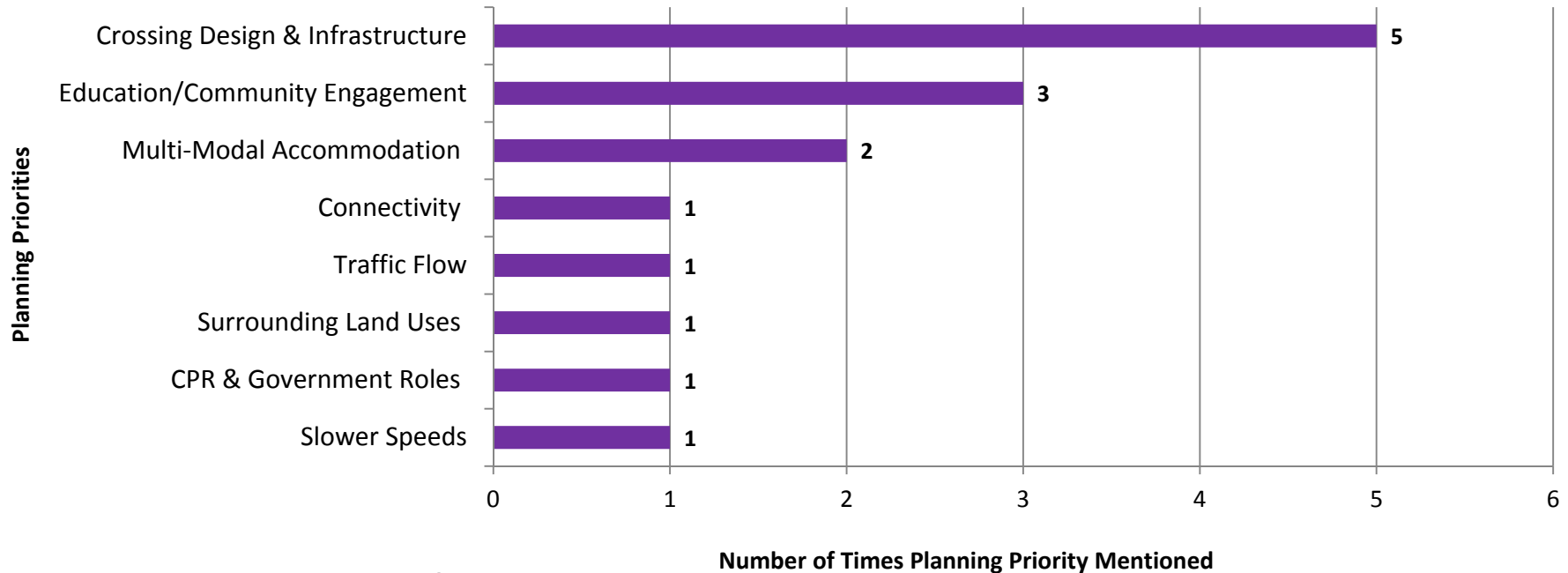


### ***Some participants' comments:***

- “Create CPR Yards as a destination, celebrate rail yards. Use rail yards in an interesting economic and commercial area (i.e., Boxcar Farmer’s Market).” – Economic Development/Revitalization
- “Linkage to major employment hubs (i.e., HSC)” – Connectivity
- “Improvement to bridge can help incentivize economic growth (within community).” – Economic Development/Revitalization
- “Bridge as a destination (ie. Provencher Pedestrian Bridge).” – Economic Development/Revitalization

# Results – Activity 2

## Planning Priorities Mentioned for Universal Accessibility

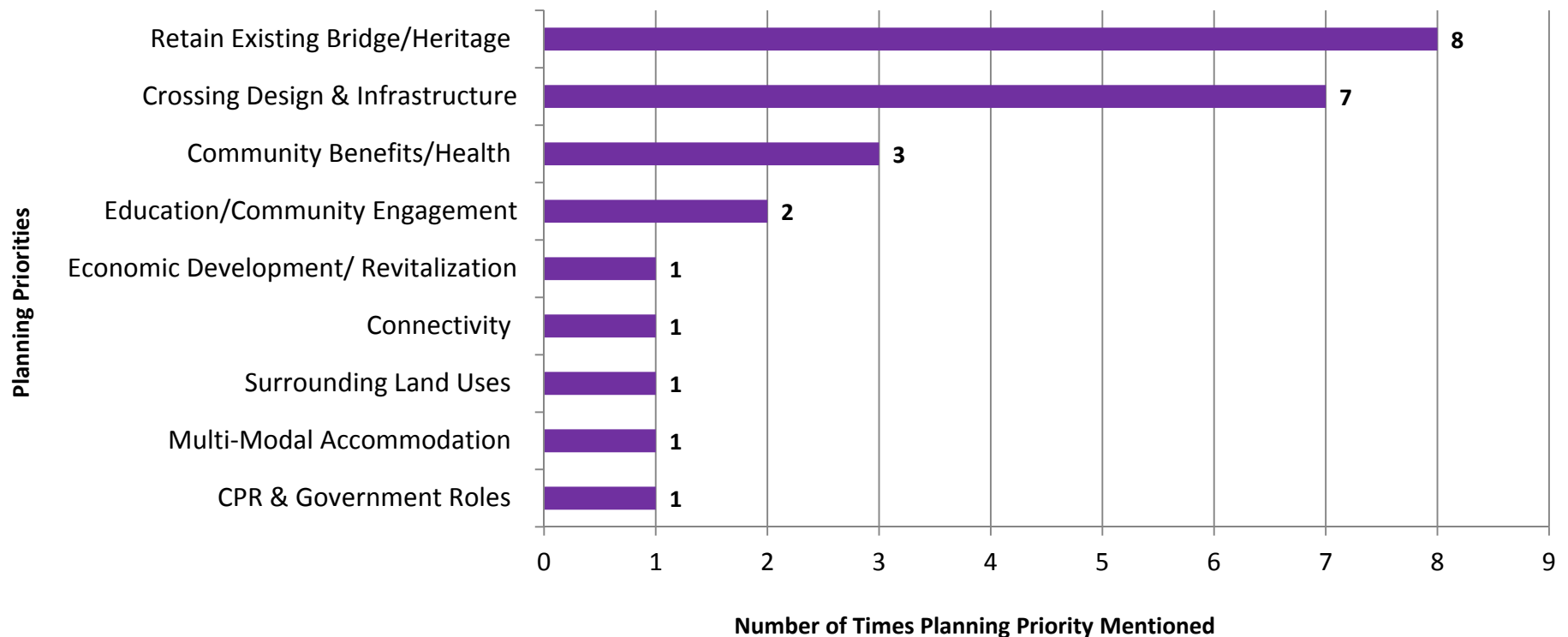


### ***Some participants' comments:***

- “Make sure WADS is part of planning process.” – Crossing Design & Infrastructure
- “Educate the public about importance of accessibility (especially in winter).” – Education/Community Engagement
- “Wider sidewalks for pedestrians.” – Multi-Modal Accommodations

# Results – Activity 2

## Planning Priorities Mentioned for Aesthetics/Culture/Heritage

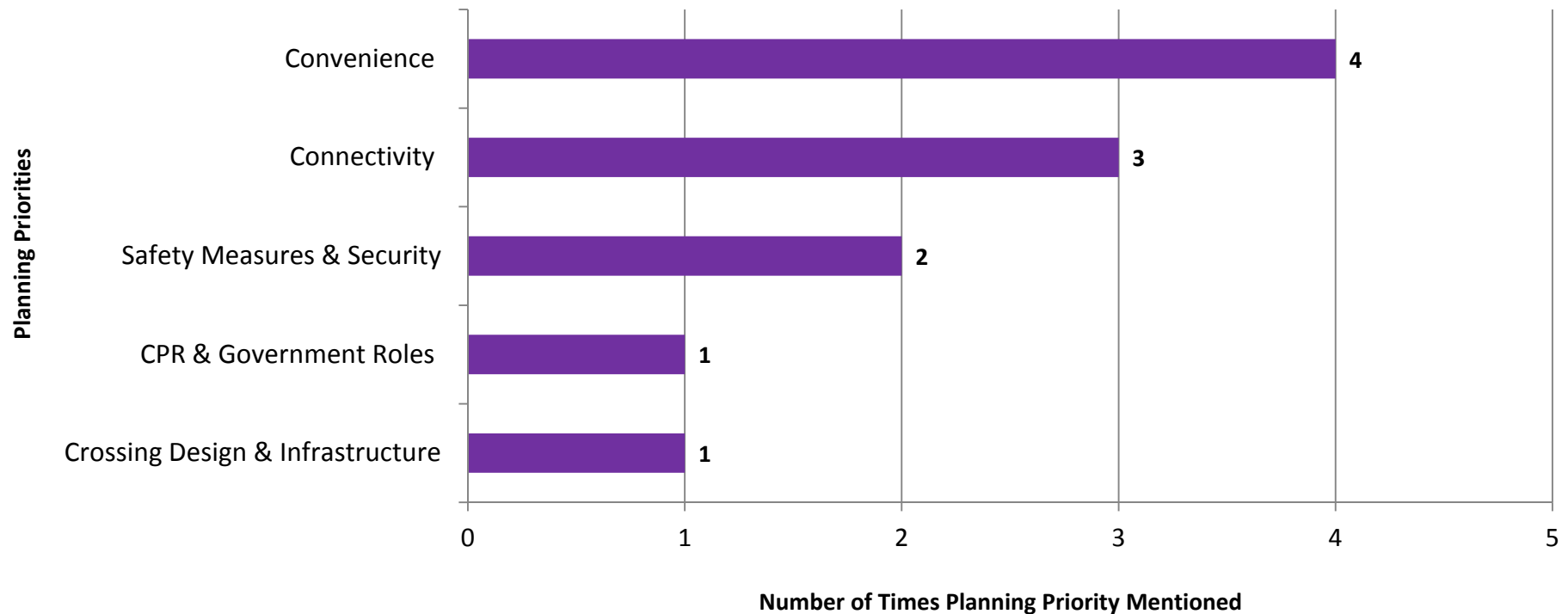


### ***Some participants' comments:***

- “Retain original structure ( . . . for active transportation).” – Retain Existing Bridge/Heritage
- “Echo original design.” – Crossing Design & Infrastructure
- “Emotional Value. ” – Community Benefits/Health

# Results – Activity 2

## Planning Priorities Mentioned for Transit

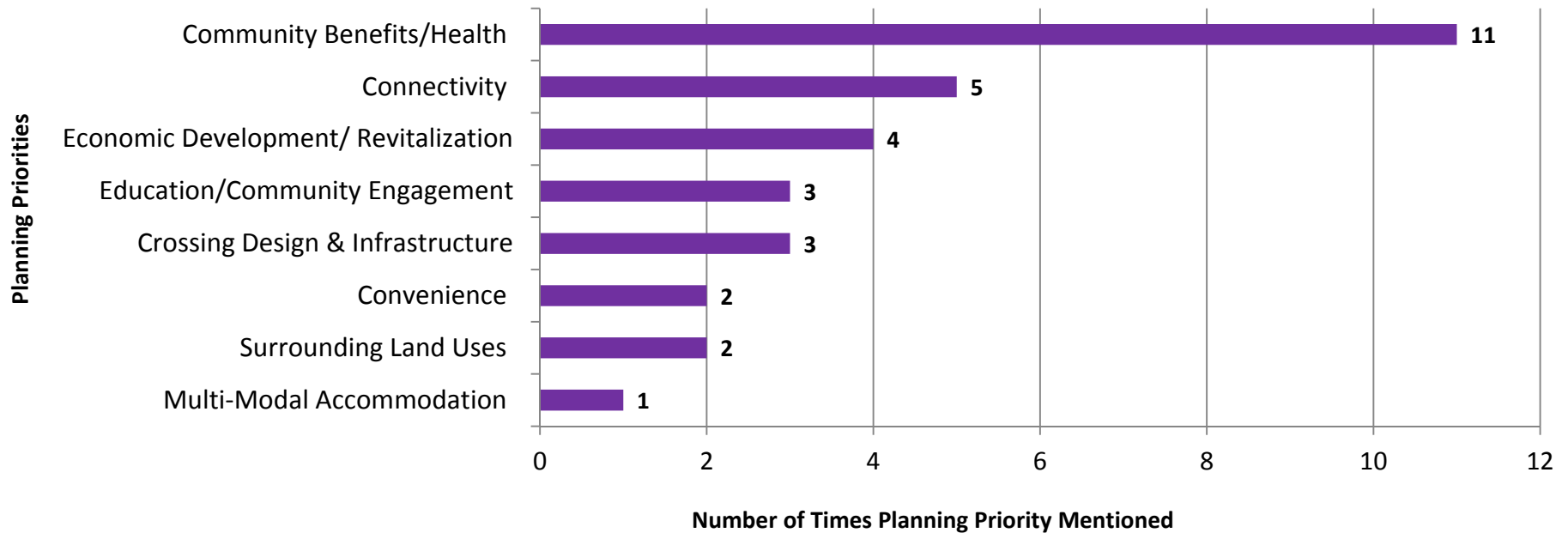


### ***Some participants' comments:***

- “Make sure bridge can accommodate transit and location for bus stops” – Crossing Design & Infrastructure
- “Transit services need to be convenient.” – Convenience
- “Bus routes need to provide better connections. ” – Connectivity

# Results – Activity 2

## Planning Priorities Mentioned for Community Gathering Spaces

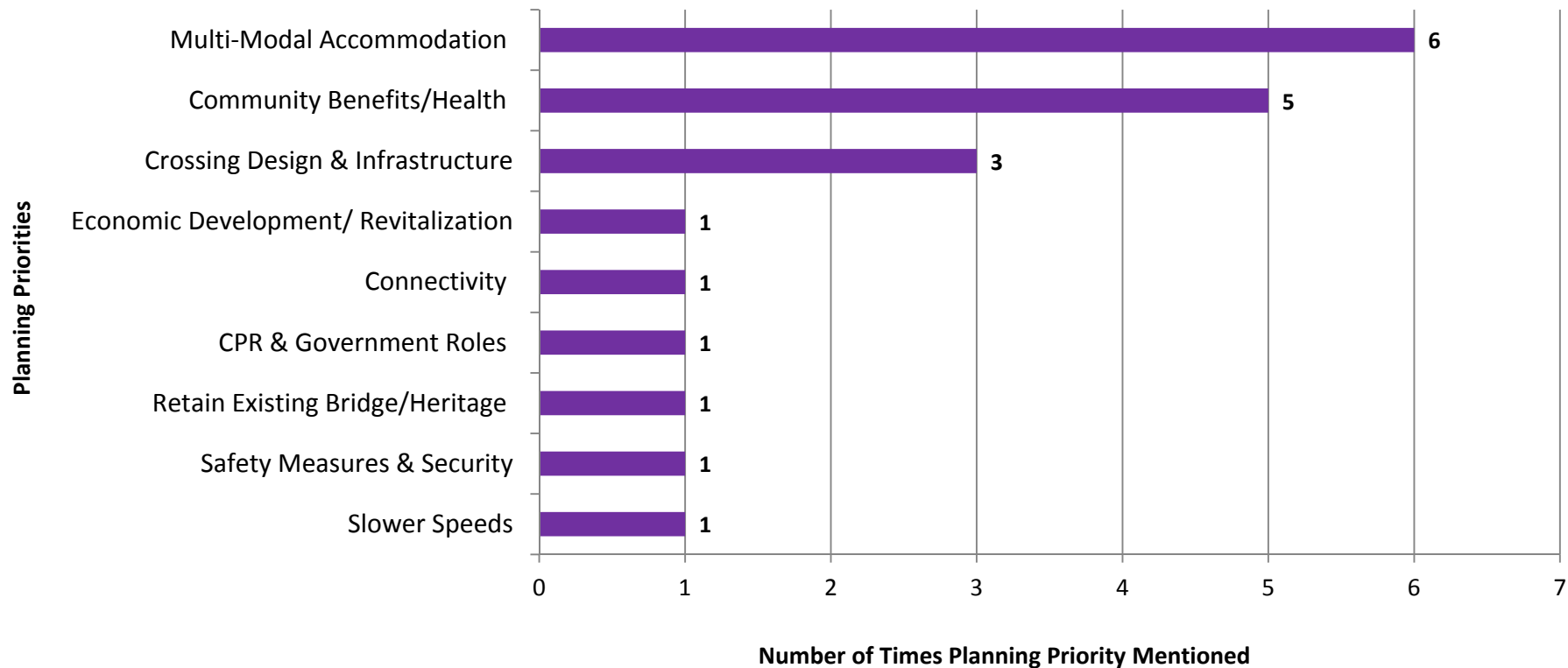


### ***Some participants' comments:***

- “A place to connect with neighbours.” – Community Benefits/Health
- “Food vendors on bridge (food trucks).” – Economic Development/Revitalization
- “Bringing people from outside the North End. ” – Connectivity
- “Can be a catalyst for change.” – Economic Development/Revitalization
- “Outdoor gym/recreation facilities (ie. Venice Beach).” – Community Benefits/Health
- “Tobogganing/waterslide.” – Community Benefits/Health

# Results – Activity 2

## Planning Priorities Mentioned for Walking/Cycling

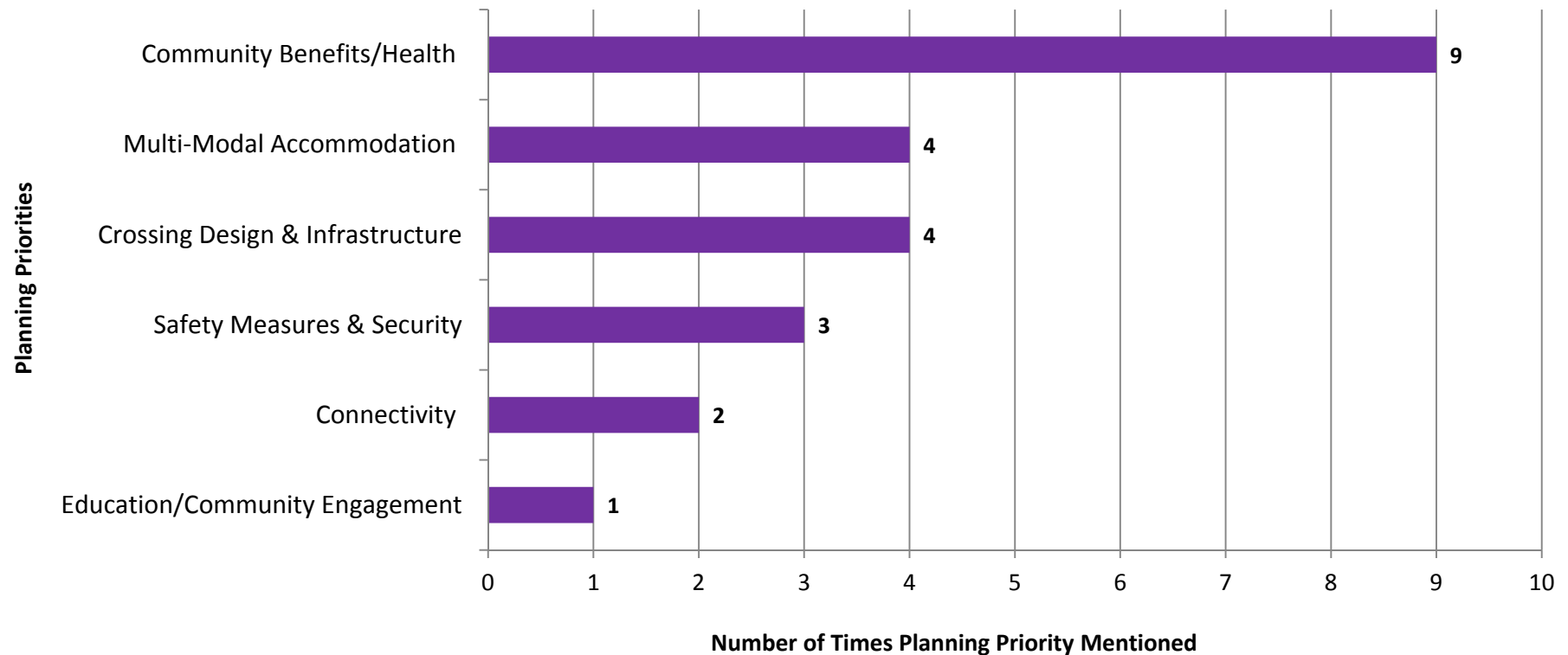


### ***Some participants' comments:***

- “Separating auto and walk/cycling traffic.” – Multi-Modal Accommodation
- “Environmental Choice.” – Community Benefits/Health
- “Needs quality pedestrian/bike routes.” – Crossing Design & Infrastructure

# Results – Activity 2

## Planning Priorities Mentioned for Healthy Lives



### ***Some participants' comments:***

- “Having areas in bridge where people can rest.” - Community Benefits/Health
- “Dedicated pedestrian and cycling infrastructure with maintenance all year (four seasons).” – Multi-Modal Accommodation



# Summary of Results from Activity 1&2

- The top 5 reasons for choosing Zone 2 (Arlington area), as current preferred zone:
  - Multi-Modal Accommodation, Convenience, Connectivity, Transit and Traffic Flow
- The top 3 reasons for choosing Zone 4 (Isabel/Salter, including Main St area):
  - Multi-Modal Accommodation, Crossing Design & Infrastructure and Convenience
- Participants' top two modes of transport (for all zones) was driving and cycling
- Participants' top 4 *specific* reasons for their future preferred zone:
  - Convenience, Connectivity, Pleasant, and Necessity
- Amongst all 8 discussion topics these planning priorities were most commonly identified in participants comments:
  - Community Benefits/Health, Crossing Design & Infrastructure, Safety Measures & Security, Multi-Modal Accommodation, and Connectivity

# Applicability for the Planning Process

## We learned:

- Community members' most preferred future zones were Zone 2 (Arlington area), followed by Zone 4 (Isabel/Salter, including Main St area)
- Zone 2 (Arlington area) followed by Zone 3 (McGregor-Sherbrook area) was identified as the 2<sup>nd</sup> most preferred future zone in the “walking-out” exercise
- Community members' highest designated mode of transport for each current zone was driving and cycling

## Reasons for preferences of future zones (where offered):

Zone 1 (McPhillips area): Only identified once for convenience

Zone 2 (Arlington area): Most preferred for convenience, followed by pleasant, necessity, connectivity

Zone 3: (McGregor-Sherbrook area) Connectivity followed by convenience, and identified only once for safety. Not identified at all for necessity or comfortable

Zone 4: (Isabel/Salter area including Main St) Most preferred for convenience, followed by connectivity; identified twice each for safety, necessity, comfortable & pleasant

# Applicability for the Planning Process

**Crossing infrastructure/design is most commonly cited planning priority across all 8 topics for the new crossing structure.**

- Make it aesthetically pleasing and recall the history and rail yard/train connection
- Make the bridge a community gathering place, a symbolic gateway and connection between neighbourhoods and an attraction for Winnipeggers
- Accommodate local transit users, bus stop locations and amenities that enhance comfort, convenience and safety
- Separated auto, cycling and pedestrian traffic that offers good connections, safe conditions, convenience and encouragement
- Safety and security through the use of equipment (lighting, panic buttons) and design (overpass stairway exits, under crossing area)

# Applicability for the Planning Process – cont.

**Community gathering space/health is the second most frequently cited theme by Workshop participants:**

- Plan and design a project that supports *Healthy Lives* for users and surrounding residents
- Capitalize on opportunities for *Community/Economic Revitalization* both in connection to the project plan and to incentivize economic growth [within community]
- Design a *Community Gathering Space(s)* on and/or off the overpass for social interaction, fun and activities, events, community initiatives such as gardens, orchards, farmers market
- Plan and design *comfortable, connected, convenient, pleasant Walking & Cycling Amenities* based on current best practice

# Next Steps

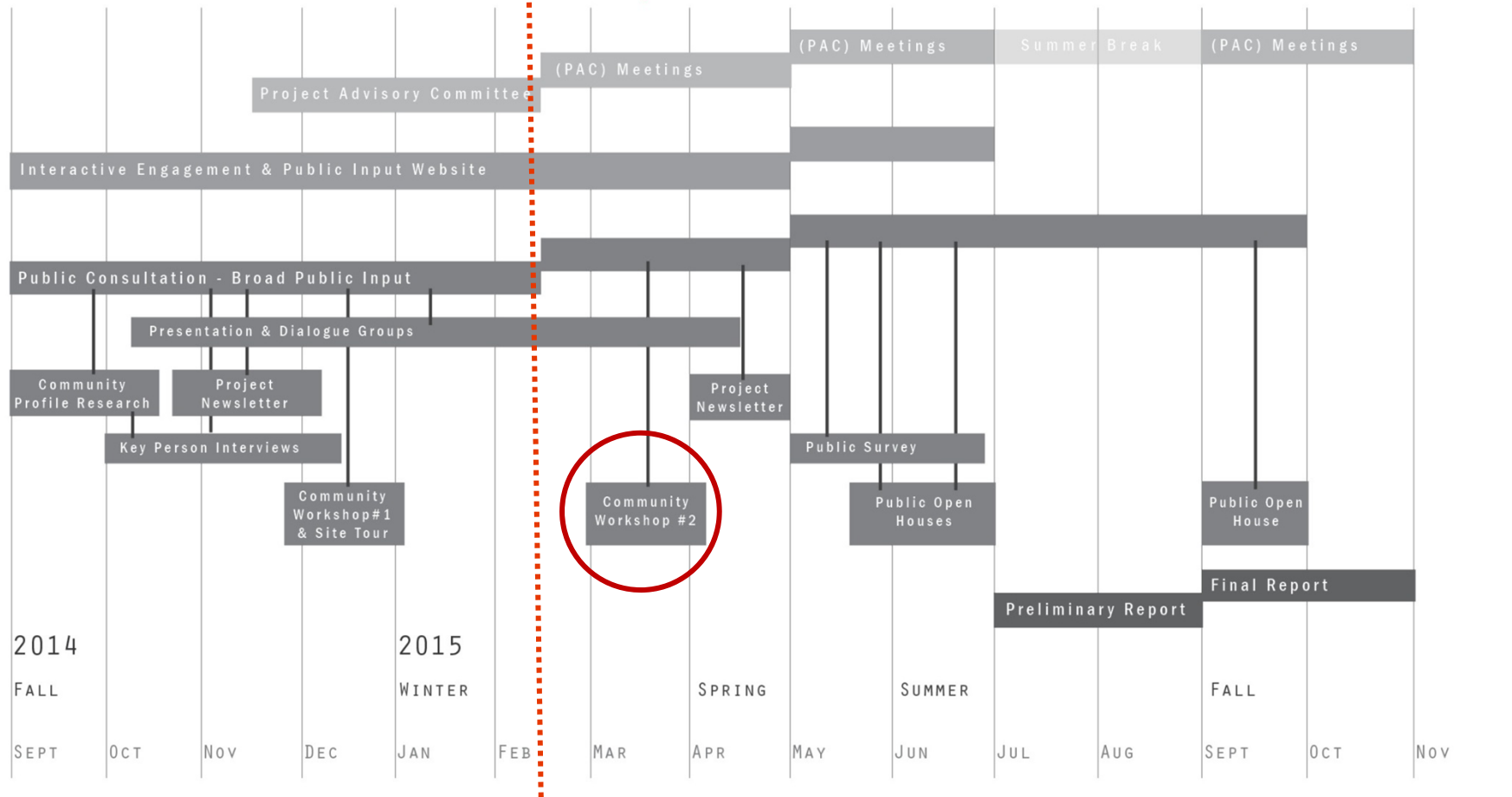


## TIMELINE A COLLABORATIVE PLANNING PROCESS & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

### Phase One Background Knowledge

### Phase Two Exploration & Development

### Phase Three Evaluation & Recommendations



# Next Steps

- Phase 2: **Exploration & Development**
  - Project Newsletter
  - Continuation of Online Survey
  - Continuation of PAC Meetings
- Phase 3: **Evaluation & Recommendations**
  - Public Open Houses
  - Public Survey (Phone)
  - Incorporating community input in the preliminary report
  - Continuation of PAC Meetings