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# Summary of Responses to North Highline Subarea Plan Survey September – November 2019

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### What do you like about your neighborhood?

### Neighbors / Friends / Community

- My friends are close, there is space available for creative business adventures.
- Culture, walkability, amazing neighbors
- Some of my neighbors. We watch out for each other.
- Sense of community, knowing my neighbors
- The strong sense of community; community of proud people.
- Good neighbors
- Quiet neighborhood and caring neighbors.
- Friendly neighbors, quiet street, and relatively close to downtown and the airport.
- Our neighbors
- Vibe, new businesses, neighbors, parks.
- It's quiet, we know our neighbors, the small local businesses
- The diverse, involved, community, affordable housing (or used to be).
- The sense of community
- affordable with small local business as well as the diversity of my neighbors
- The people. They are real neighbors.
- Up and coming, friendly neighbors, have stores nearby
- We all look out for each other.
- I like how many of my neighbors I actually know, and how many are actually friends. The sense of community in White Center is really taking off. I especially like the inclusivity of the LGBTQ community here---seems like every other neighbor of mine identifies as LGBTQ---that's terrific!
- Small town feel in a big city. We take care of one another.
- I like the feeling of community. In South Park, people know their neighbors and they look out for one another. People say hello to each other. I also appreciate that there has been a long time community present and I would like to support housing and land use policies that support that. This includes maintaining housing access for South Park residents.
- Blocks feel like they're in a neighborhood. Bars and restaurants are accessible. Diverse community with a lot of history.
- Friendly neighbors. Quiet at night. Lots of trees
- The residents, close proximity to my job, neighborhood diversity
- Diversity of neighbors. Close-knit and friendly community. Small town flavor and old school Seattle style.
- Most things. Community, parks, business district.
- Friendly/ creative/ do-it-yourself type people, inexpensive multi-cultural businesses, "live and let live" attitude, walkability and transit access, several parks and libraries within walking distance!!!

- Cultural diversity, affordablity, community
- We are a tight knit community. We support each other and care deeply for the
  environment and health of local families. We value our history as a diverse working
  class neighborhood built by immigrants from all over the world.
- It is a diverse community on the Duwamish River. People are really devoted to their neighborhood.
- Diverse, quiet, friendly neighbors and lots of space for kids to play.
- My long-time neighbors, it's peaceful, I feel fairly safe.
- Nice people. Peaceful most of the time. Proximity to downtown, the airport and also downtown White Center, South Park and Burien.
- Walkability to various businesses, decent neighbors, town pride, location
- Some good neighbors.
- Quiet residential nature, good neighbors, access to the city for work
- my neighbors and access to City
- The close knit community and the diversity of people and housing!
- Friendly neighbors, diversity, amazing food.
- Community oriented, unique neighborhood character, lots of families with children, residents with diverse backgrounds.
- How I feel safe and I am so super duper connected to my neighbors!
- The community, everything really
- Friendly people
- That there are many kind people in my neighborhood.
- That's it's quite sometimes, lots of kids, neighbors are nice.
- the local businesses and the strong sense of community
- Theres alot of people i can relate to
- it is welcoming and quite
- Community feel, green areas, close to amenities & travel corridors, great food in area
- We respect each others space.
- The community, the number of new restaurants and shops opening up, large parks such as Lake Hicks, Westcrest, Seahurst.

### Diversity

- Diversity
- The diversity, the beauty mixed with the ruggedness, so many different cultures represented through being and food.
  - I love the walkability of White Center, and the access to great food, local businesses, and the diversity of the area.
- Green belt, mid century modern type houses, convenient location to downtown, airport, beach, & ethnic diversity

- Love its diversity, being close to numerous ethnic restaurants and KC parks.
- The diverse, involved, community, affordable housing (or used to be).
- Culture diversity, walkability to commercial core.
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- Diversity, quite street
- Blocks feel like they're in a neighborhood. Bars and restaurants are accessible. Diverse community with a lot of history.
- The diversity of the neighborhood. The fact it feels like a smaller town on the edge of a big city. That the majority of businesses are local and that they represent the diversity of the area.
- The residents, close proximity to my job, neighborhood diversity
- Diversity, old buildings, business operators invested in community
- I live on a quiet cul de sac and have lots of privacy in my yard. Love the new businesses and restaurants in downtown white center and love the diversity of WC!
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- I love being unincorporated king county. Love how diverse my neighborhood is.
- The diversity
- Racial diversity, convenient location
- The affordability, this was the closest neighborhood to downtown that we could afford
  to buy. The diversity of the population is very refreshing. There is lots of good food
  (restaurants, food trucks). The proximity to Burien and West Seattle which have good
  grocery stores and parks. Great local businesses to support (Patricks, A Dog's dream, The
  Salvadorean Bakery, Proletariat, Beer Star, La Fondita, Future Primitive, Castillo's, The
  Plant Store, Can Bar, Two Finger Social Club, Dottie's, etc)

- There is a downtown area with lots of good businessesActive and diverse communityEasy access to Seattle
- The close knit community and the diversity of people and housing!
- Friendly neighbors, diversity, amazing food.
- Lots of ethnic diversity.
- Diverse
- Socio-economic diversity
- LBGT population
- Diversity, small businesses
- The multiracial, multicultural beauty of my neighborhood. The people here are resilient, strong, resourceful and direct.
- Community oriented, unique neighborhood character, lots of families with children, residents with diverse backgrounds.
- The mix of people and income
- Ethnic diversity
- there is a lot of diversity.

### Creativity

- My friends are close, there is space available for creative business adventures.
- Friendly/ creative/ do-it-yourself type people, inexpensive multi-cultural businesses, "live and let live" attitude, walkability and transit access, several parks and libraries within walking distance!!!
- It's a place where new business owners can afford to start up their first venture, attracting talented young chefs and bar owners. It's funky, close-knit and still seemingly untouched by tech-focused development.
- Self-reliance
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### Walkability

- Culture, walkability, amazing neighbors
- I love the walkability of White Center, and the access to great food, local businesses, and the diversity of the area.
- Walkable, lots of trees!
- Friendly/ creative/ do-it-yourself type people, inexpensive multi-cultural businesses, "live and let live" attitude, walkability and transit access, several parks and libraries within walking distance!!!
- Walkability to various businesses, decent neighbors, town pride, location
- Easy walking access to diverse local businesses.

- Many things in walking distance and easy to get to
- The parks that are close by and how it is quiet.
- I like the houses, how close my school and shops are so it's easier for transportation and
   I can walk there
- I like that things are walk-able and affordable, and I like that most businesses are locally owned. I like the single family homes and trees.
- You can walk to stores
- i can walk to get food

### Location / Aesthetics

- Space and ease of commute into downtown
- Quiet family neighborhood, proximity to downtown, territorial views, lots of green spaces
- Walkable, lots of trees!
- Quiet and easy access to highway downtown and airport
- Green belt, mid century modern type houses, convenient location to downtown, airport, beach, & ethnic diversity
- Close but still secluded
- Quiet neighborhood and caring neighbors.
- Friendly neighbors, quiet street, and relatively close to downtown and the airport.
- Love its diversity, being close to numerous ethnic restaurants and KC parks.
- Easy access to downtown, mid-century homes with large lots that has the POTENTIAL to be a great neighborhood.
- Vibe, new businesses, neighbors, parks.
- It's clean and quiet
- Diversity, quite street
- Affordable, commutable to seattle
- The diversity of the neighborhood. The fact it feels like a smaller town on the edge of a big city. That the majority of businesses are local and that they represent the diversity of the area.
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- Affordable single-family homes and no giant apartment blocks like West Seattle/Junction. Proximity to a unique downtown with independent businesses. Lots of park space.
- That it is a neighborhood.
- Feels slightly rural, while being close to family and amenities.
- Nice people. Peaceful most of the time. Proximity to downtown, the airport and also downtown White Center, South Park and Burien.
- Quiet residential nature, good neighbors, access to the city for work
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- The library is within walking distance, North Seatac Parl
- There is a downtown area with lots of good businessesActive and diverse communityEasy access to Seattle
- Cheap, low key, good parks, KC Metro 120
- unique downtown, lots of excellent parks
- Proximity to downtown, small town feel, bars & restaurants
- I like that its close to downtown and airport. its easy to get to other places access to 509,518, I-5
- its calm and it has a small park
- Has a lot of single houses which gives us more privacy.
- I like that it has close small stores and specifically the building where live is surrounded by a gate for "safety" although sometimes it doesn't function. There's also a police car always around the neighborhood, and i like how close my schools are.
- I like that it is sub-urban and in good proximity to stores and parks but far away enough for suitable living. Also i do enjoy the yards everyone has.
- I like that things are walk-able and affordable, and I like that most businesses are locally owned. I like the single family homes and trees.
- I like how it's clean I don't like how many crashes there are and how many people die.
- I like the fact there is nearby stores, schools, park, and community
- It's close to the city
- It's near the highways.
- It has potential and could be improved in many ways a neighborhood near the airport, freeways, downtown, Burien, West Seattle, White Center.

• Their is more space and more trees and Grass

### Identity

- Being neither Burien or Seattle
- Vibe, new businesses, neighbors, parks.
- Small town feel in a big city. We take care of one another.
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- We are a tight knit community. We support each other and care deeply for the environment and health of local families. We value our history as a diverse working class neighborhood built by immigrants from all over the world.
- Personality
- The potential for people-centered intentional development.
- Walkability to various businesses, decent neighbors, town pride, location
- I love being unincorporated king county. Love how diverse my neighborhood is.
- Small town feeling, affordable taxes
- Proximity to downtown, small town feel, bars & restaurants
- The unique culture. It is distinct from the surrounding area.
- Diversity and urbanity despite lack of incorporation.

### Businesses

- It's quiet, we know our neighbors, the small local businesses
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- Diversity, small businesses
- The little local stores, the school
- There are a lot of small businesses and you can easily buy the things you need. I also like that the schools are really close together.
- I like that it has close small stores and specifically the building where live is surrounded by a gate for "safety" although sometimes it doesn't function. There's also a police car always around the neighborhood, and i like how close my schools are.
- Theirs a convenience store in front of my apartments.
- Easy access to stores
- I like that things are walk-able and affordable, and I like that most businesses are locally owned. I like the single family homes and trees.
- A lot of businesses around me, easy to buy things, in walking distance of my apartments
- the local businesses and the strong sense of community
- The community, the number of new restaurants and shops opening up, large parks such as Lake Hicks, Westcrest, Seahurst.

### Quiet

how quiet it is

- It's mostly peace and quiet
- its silent and nobody bothers you much
- Its peaceful.
- its very calm and the people are very nice.
- my neighborhood is calm and i like that
- Its a chill place and we have neighbors around us.
- Its a quiet neighborhood
- It's calm and quiet, and because my property is hidden from the rest we live in peace.
- quiet, family friendly area
- quiet. on downhill ridge facing sound.
- Quiet. Unincorporated. Fewer rules.
- its calm

### Affordability

- The diverse, involved, community, affordable housing (or used to be).
- affordable with small local business as well as the diversity of my neighbors
- Affordable, commutable to seattle
- Cultural diversity, affordablity, community
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### Other

- nothing anymore
- how dangerous it is because it keeps me alerted, and it doesn't really affect environmentally
- They have a lot of space for stuff too put on
- better parks and more education available in may school in district.
- It's low density and we have privacy.
- Steve Cox memorial park
- There are things that I can do here that are fun.

- The community, the number of new restaurants and shops opening up, large parks such as Lake Hicks, Westcrest, Seahurst.
- I like about my neighborhood the park because they have more safety.

From your perspective, what one place (such as a park, business, church, community center, school, or other space) best represents your neighborhood? Why?

### Roller Rink

- Roller Rink!
- South Park Roller Rink. It's funky, it's privately owned, and it likely wouldn't be able to survive in any other neighborhood. The owners regularly participate in community events.

### Proletariat Pizza

- Proletariat Pizza represents locally owned business that thrives because it serves the community it's from.
- Proletariat Pizza; we've been here since their inception and have watched as their business has grown into a White Center staple. They represent strong community ideals, friendliness and dedication.
- Proletariat represents a community-supported neighborhood business

### Salvadorean Bakery

- Salvadorean Bakery! Great cultural food, gathering, community
- Salvadorean Bakery
- Salvadorean Bakery

### El Paisano Carniceria

- El Paisano Carniceria
- El Paisano

### Lee's Vegetables

Lee's Vegetables

### Meat the Live Butcher

• Meat the Live Butcher

### Seattle Lotus Vegetarian

• Seattle Lotus Vegetarian

### Castillo Grocery

- Castillo Grocery
- Castillo Grocery

### Marijuana

- The pot shops on 1st ave, cause that's really all that's around
- Uncle Ike's -- Idk wtf is this question even for? Why are you wasting our time with shit questions that don't matter.

### Taqueria La Fondita

- Taqueria La Fondita. It's a local business that is popular with everyone, and represents an important cultural demographic of the neighborhood.
- La Fondita. Great affordable food and the entire community goes there.

### Rat City Bicycles

 Rat City Bicycles represents an engaged business owner welcoming to all in the community.

### Parks / Nature

- Old growth evergreens, just hold consistency for neighborhood among all the new construction.
- The Westcrest dog park and trails- so wonderful to have that so near.
- Steve cox park is centrally located, free of charge and history with log cabin
- Westcrest Park
- Park
- Steve cox park, mclendons, dubsea coffee these are all places I frequent with my family and feel safe
- North Shorewood Park. Center of the neighborhood
- Our parks and green spaces. Our trees.
- I live near North Shorewood park and that for me represents the surrounding nature and trees in this part of white center.
- The pond directly north of Seola Beach Drive SW. It's a fun place to run into neighbors, walk dogs and babies, and watch birds.
- Hicks lake, grew up not to far from there and played disc golf almost every day therr.
- Dick Thurneau Park; I enjoy disc golfing there as well as nightly walks there with my dog
- Steve Cox Memorial Park, longevity as a community place. My kids went there 40 years ago
- Steve Cox park. There are always people out playing tennis or basketball or enjoying the day.

- Thurneau park
- Local parks
- Dick Thurnau Park, because it is used by a wide cross section of the community as a recreation area and an important green space. It also has experienced challenges around urbanization (i.e. poor water quality in Hicklin Lake) that reflect broader issues in the neighborhood.
- park: the open space provides opportunity of many activities, is available to everyone, and brings people together
- Steve Cox and Dick Thurnau Memorial Parks they are places that offer residents places to play, develop friendships and build community and good memories.
- White Center Heights Park. As much as I like Proletariat Pizza and many of the other offerings in downtown White Center this is our greatest public asset and a lovely park by any standard.
- We have a church and many businesses and the log cabin and places like that is super good for community spaces.
- The park because it is the only thing i really go to outside of my houses
- the park because its the best part
- southern heights park
- the cabin because that is where kids can go to hangout and play and feel safe
- The log cabin because that's where everyone im close to goes
- I can walk to parks that have lots of forest areas with my friends.
- The park because it's huge and many people enjoy going there.
- Steve Cox Memorial Park because it's a open place where all children are welcome, they feed you, have games, aloud to play sports.
- steve cox memoril park aka the cabin
- the park because thats were people go
- I like the community center because I can play basketball there
- steve cox park because its a fun place to hang out at
- Hicks Lake or Downtown White Center because its been there since back in the day and it is a big part of the community.
- Community center because we help each other out.
- Lake Hicks Parks it's a place anyone can visit and make use of regardless of means, so one tends to see a diverse mix of users at the park.
- the park
- white center heights park
- steve cox
- White Center Heights Park. Lots of potential.

### Dubsea Coffee

- Steve cox park, mclendons, dubsea coffee these are all places I frequent with my family and feel safe
- Dubsea Coffee
- Dubsea. Kind of like a community center
- Dubsee
- Dubsea because a lot of people go there
- Dubsea, it's a small coffee shop that's locally owned, it supports other local artist, businesses, and events
- dubce

### Crawfish House

• The Crawfish House - a place to celebrate, casual, welcomes everyone with open arms, delicious food from a culture other than my own.

### McLendon's

- Steve cox park, mclendons, dubsea coffee these are all places I frequent with my family and feel safe
- McLendon's

### White Center Plaza

 White center plaza because thats a place a lot of people go when coming to white center

### Top Hat Transmission

• Top Hat Transmission, it is the landmark the neighborhood is named after.

### Full Tilt

• Full Tilt

### Beer Star

- Beer Star. Fun & hip, inclusive, delicious, walkable.
- Beer Star. Great place to hang out, friendly to kids and dogs as well, and central to White Center.
- Beer star. Open and inviting. Kid and dog friendly and fun!
- Beer star, where everyone comes together including families with young children and local residents.

### **Future Primitive**

- Hard to choose just one...Future Primative Brewing
- Future Primitive Brewing, because it serves good beer and is a community gathering place that is supportive and open to many walks of life

### Libraries / Other Public Spaces

- Boulevard Park library
- White Center Library
- Marra Farm beautiful, historic, community building.
- Boulevard Park Library, a place that used yo welcome everyone
- Greenbridge Library
- The White Center Library. The new space is lovely and gives me hope for a more modernized White Center in the future.
- I think the white center library, cause every kid now when theyre old enough. They can go to the library by themselves (usually to hang out)

### Housing

- Greenbridge commons, for the community events and local businesses.
- Greenbridge.
- My home
- The residential streets surrounding the small business district a mix of homes, not just townhouses or apartment houses. They have yards, gardens, trees, flowers, some have views, less traffic, parking, people walking. More of a residential feel.

### Schools

- Our Highline schools.
- I feel that Evergreen High School best represents my neighborhood since it is the place that may other people can identify my neighborhood with.
- Evergreen High School and Cascade Middle Schools
- sumit atlas; closest school
- Everygreen highschool
- Elementary School,
- school because the area that i live in ahs 2 different schools and i think its good for children to get their education
- school because it near
- Evergreen High school.
- school southern heights because thats whats near me.

- schools because there international and they have people from all over the world going there.
- evergreen high school because the teachers are teaching the future
- Mr. View Elementary its a pretty diverse and mixed income school.
- The schools, the schools are like the face of White Center.
- school because i like the community around sports
- A great school is southern hights elementary and it's park.
- White center heights elementary school, because its a school for everyone around it

### Grocery

- Saars super saver. It's a good place to shop with a huge variety of groceries
- Supersaver because it's 24 hours
- Shorewood grocery, it is a local corner store that everyone in the neighborhood enjoy's walking to for a long time now, my family have always enjoyed walking there for treats.

### Auto

• The auto mechanic with the giant Top Hat at the intersection of Myers Way and 1st Ave.

### 16<sup>th</sup> Ave / General Business

- 16th Ave and all of the small businesses there. They give White Center it's personality
- All the new business along 16th because is represents growth
- The White Center business core on 16th. It's so diverse and welcoming to everyone.
- The main strip of businesses
- Downtown White Center. We frequent White Center daily to shop, dine, recreate, etc.
- Bars in downtown White Center: those are our types of people.
- 16th ave food n drink
- 16th ave central corridor of businesses
- WC downtown business area. I feel it is a welcoming place to commingle with friends and neighbors.
- Diversity of businesses on 16<sup>th</sup> Ave
- The downtown White Center strip
- Downtown white center (from Roxbury to 100th)
- Hicks Lake or Downtown White Center because its been there since back in the day and it is a big part of the community.
- Market is the place best represent White Center because there is many markets around White Center.
- The business because the have more shopping malls and supermarkets.
- The WCCDA, the small, immigrant owned businesses that have been here for decades, Lee's produce as an example..

- ethnic business. Because it reflects the community that lives here.
- Small Latin businesses

### General

- We don't have any thing best here.
- There are none.
- NOTHING to much homeless living and stealing in our neighborhood, used to love astroland with the slide and the picnics
- None

### South Park

- The historic old town center along Dallas Ave, with the old firehouse, mayors house, and restored Boarding house. This area was the original "main st.", back in 1890, and a lot of the original immigrant homes and businesses still stand. The planting of red maples all along Dallas and the small triangle park are beautiful.
- The South Park Bridge. That is the icon for the whole neighborhood.
- 14th street and South Park plaza
- Southpark is a community. We watch out for each other. There is no one place is SouthPark that represents our neighborhood, but we do meet regularly at the Neighborhood Community Center.
- River front park and pocket park. I love seeing wildlife and sunsets on the river.
- The river/waterway. This is why this community is here and has remained. We need to do all we can to protect it. Encouraging more industry in South Park will not do that.
- Duwamish waterway park i got married there, walk my dog there, attend community events there
- "Downtown" South Park
- South Park as a whole, from the shoreline to the Duwamish greenbelt. It's all of us.
- The river makes South Park unique!

### Moore Coffee

• Moore coffee on Des Moines memorial. It's a little sliver of decadence in the midst of an unincorporated area with good ethnic food nearby.

# If you could change anything about your neighborhood, what would you change? Why?

### Cleanliness

- Less garbage on the street
- Trash
- Empty store fronts and garbage
- Less sketchy figures, cleaner and greener streets, a healthy river. More streetlights. BIKE FRIENDLY.
- Drug activity, homeless people, lack of cleanliness, more police presence, and code violation priority from Jim Chan. I would like to see property owners that investment property that become nuisance to the neighborhood held accountable. (homeless people/drug addicts occupy these properties with no consequences to these owners)
- The shootings. The trash on the streets/litter, particularly at bus stops, but really anywhere where many homeless folks gather. It detracts from the neighborliness of the area.
- Less stabby. Less trash on the streets.
- I would increase the amount of street sweeping and litter pickup.
- There is so much litter and graffiti everywhere. I don't know what to do about this. There is still lots of crime so more police could be helpful. More infrastructure such as sidewalks. Develop some of the greenspaces into parks or put housing on them. The homeless and drug addicted tend to take these spots over and trash them.
- Gang activity, there is still a lot going on hereStreet trash
- Less graffiti
- Less trash on the ground.
- I would change the amount of litter because I worry that it contaminates the
  environment and can make people and animals sick. I would also add more lighting to
  downtown so that it feels safer at night, particularly the bus stops on 15th and Roxbury.
- I would change on the sanitory and clean it up but compared to other places it is not the worst and there is no eviction.

### Look and Feel

- The overall look of it. I want it to look fancy so people wouldn't assume that we are a poor community
- Upgrade some of the buildings in the downtown corridor.

### **Vacancies**

• Empty store fronts and garbage

 I would revitalize the Top Hat area's empty real estate with coffee shops/cafes/gastropubs/restaurants and work to clean up the accumulated junk cars and trash. Ideally Top Hat could get some of the small town ambience that downtown Burien enjoys, or even that South Park is experiencing. I would also add more sidewalks...

### Gathering Place

- I wish the actual residents had a place to gather right in the middle of 16th avenue
  where all the economic growth and development is happening. It will strengthen our
  community and presence where otherwise gentrification might pull away from the
  community that it's happening in. It would also strengthen the small business in our
  neighborhood.
- More walkability, less cars. More focus on community oriented spaces, green areas and parks. Less isolated high density apartment blocks. Shift away from using large tracts of land for parking lots and car-centric commercial spaces. Less chain stores/franchises and more locally owned and operated businesses.

### Infrastructure

- Sidewalks, makes a neighborhood feel like it's develops and not just forgotten
- Street light or roundabout on 4th and 102nd, lots of accidents/close calls
- Less sketchy figures, cleaner and greener streets, a healthy river. More streetlights. BIKE FRIENDLY.
- We don't have sidewalks. It makes walking access particularly at night dangerous.
- Incorporate. We are in no-man's-land where there are 10 cars parked in yards, no regulation on excessive junk/debree in yards, which devalues the neighborhood. We need sidewalks for the many children in the neighborhood, parks, and a stronger police presence to combat the increase of crime. A grocery store, coffee shops, or ability to have urban-suburban development that encourages walkability, and the engagement of pedestrians with a town-center (again, sidewalks!!)
- We need more sidewalks. I wish it was more walkable
- Light railSince that probably won't ever happen til I am dead how about sidewalks
- Increased services to address maintaining the area- from getting potholes and streets repaired to addressing the increased property crime/violence and drug addition issues that have been arising. I would love to see more sidewalks and adaptations to make there's more walkable and bikable. I like to bike but do not do it very often because riding on the roads in the area often does not feel safe. Better public transportation. A bus to downtown from here takes 4 times the amount it takes to drive.
- Make more pedestrian friendly. Very dangerous to cross Roxbury on foot. Many drivers aren't paying attention.
- Less crime. Make Roxbury more walkable.

- I would love sidewalks, more plants and greenery in the urban development plans (for instance in the center of new traffic circles, in downtown White Center) and also a better police presence as we have a fair amount of minor crimes.
- Get some sidewalks.
- The roundabouts they have put in need to go.
- Adding Sidewalks for safer walking
- There is so much litter and graffiti everywhere. I don't know what to do about this. There is still lots of crime so more police could be helpful. More infrastructure such as sidewalks. Develop some of the greenspaces into parks or put housing on them. The homeless and drug addicted tend to take these spots over and trash them.
- I would put traffic circles at intersections between Military road and Des Moines Mem. Drive on 128th St
- More bike lanes and bike infrastructure
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- I would have sidewalks and make sure the bus stops on 15th are safer for everybody.
  Walking around this area generally is sketchy because of the lack of sidewalks and
  people driving too fast. 15th has the best public transportation options but the bus
  stops are often uncomfortable at best and sometimes scary to wait at because of
  criminals who frequent them.
- More sidewalks and better traffic lights. Public safety and traffic...
- I would change the amount of litter because I worry that it contaminates the environment and can make people and animals sick. I would also add more lighting to downtown so that it feels safer at night, particularly the bus stops on 15th and Roxbury.
- I would want some areas to have sidewalks so people could be safe when walking to places.
- putting side walks in
- Have better roads, because walking isn't that safe. There's no sidewalks.
- i would change it to be a safer community where people could walk anywhere without having to worry much
- I would change the roads, make them look better etc.
- Road Safety: many people drive recklessly with impunity through residential areas, it
  makes the roads very unsafe for anyone walking or biking to parks or schools. I would

- add impediments to speeding such as speed bumps. Fireworks: I would outlaw fireworks and enforce it.
- Less low income housing, no homeless encampments (sanctioned or not), NO pot stores, fewer junk car repair places, more types of businesses, not replacing homes with townhomes, microhousing, or large apartment complexes, more money to beautify the main streets of 1st ave south and meyers way, better street lighting along the main streets, more sidewalks in the neighborhoods.
- Having more playgrounds and stores around that neighborhood.

### Safety

- I would love to hear fewer gunshots near the White Center commercial district.
- Mailboxes on houses. Mail theft is a rampant problem and it is really frustrating having to deal with the fallout.
- Police presence and 911 response
- Less sketchy figures, cleaner and greener streets, a healthy river. More streetlights. BIKE FRIENDLY.
- Provide more opportunities for children and teens to feel safe whether at home or as homeless.
- Drug activity, homeless people, lack of cleanliness, more police presence, and code violation priority from Jim Chan. I would like to see property owners that investment property that become nuisance to the neighborhood held accountable. (homeless people/drug addicts occupy these properties with no consequences to these owners)
- All the shootings
- Less drugs and crime. I'd change this because drugs and crime are bad for the area.
- Make it safer. Too many pet thefts.
- Drugs and violence are really a problem.
- The shootings. The trash on the streets/litter, particularly at bus stops, but really anywhere where many homeless folks gather. It detracts from the neighborliness of the area.
- Crackheads and crime
- Police responsiveness to major crimes
- Crime
- Increased services to address maintaining the area- from getting potholes and streets repaired to addressing the increased property crime/violence and drug addition issues that have been arising. I would love to see more sidewalks and adaptations to make there's more walkable and bikable. I like to bike but do not do it very often because riding on the roads in the area often does not feel safe. Better public transportation. A bus to downtown from here takes 4 times the amount it takes to drive.
- Eliminating the safety concerns and nuisance of a few houses around our neighborhood that are clearly fostering criminal activity.

- Crime/Safety
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- Less crime. Make Roxbury more walkable.
- More sheriffs. Lots of drug related problems
- Less crime.
- I would like to see the crime/loitering/drug dealing reduced, specifically in front of Teradise Cafe and across the street, south of Beer Star.
- Fireworks. They go on for weeks and rattle our house, drive our dog insane, and keep our kid awake.
- Get the rampant and blatant drug use off the streets and off of private property...HUGE problem on WC!!!
- Less stabby. Less trash on the streets.
- I'd like to see more being done to combat the high theft rate here.
- Increased police presence to deter tha rampant drug issues and related crime.
- The prevalence of property crime and the inability for police to take action in support of victims of it. The amount of theft in this area has become completely ridiculous. My other main concern is that the area is tipping in to gentrification. I love the working class feel, but that is changing.
- There is so much litter and graffiti everywhere. I don't know what to do about this. There is still lots of crime so more police could be helpful. More infrastructure such as sidewalks. Develop some of the greenspaces into parks or put housing on them. The homeless and drug addicted tend to take these spots over and trash them.
- Gang activity, there is still a lot going on hereStreet trash
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- For it to be safer.
- less drugs, gangs, and violence because that's the stuff that gets our area looked and spoken down on
- Loitering (likely drug dealing) happening on sidewalks. Those guys occasionally harass my family as we walk past. I have 2 small kids.
- police presence
- I would stop the gangs becauses of all the gunfire

- To not be so sketchy
- the violance so kids can run aroun d and play in the streets again without being scared to leave there house or walk to the store
- make it safe
- the violence because there are many troubles in the area .
- how did security work from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. instead of quitting at midnight, because most of the break-ins and vehicles happen after midnight

### Homelessness

- Remove camp second chance, the thives in area. Cops that can do. Something about crooks
- all the homelessness and the whinning people who think their better then you and yall trying to tell us how to live "and whats best for our families"
- Get rid of homeless camps. Why...to stop crime.
- The homelessness everywhere
- Drug activity, homeless people, lack of cleanliness, more police presence, and code violation priority from Jim Chan. I would like to see property owners that investment property that become nuisance to the neighborhood held accountable. (homeless people/drug addicts occupy these properties with no consequences to these owners)
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- I don't think i would change anything but how the homeless people roam and take over abandoned properties
- I wound change the streets because a bunch of people crash.
- Less low income housing, no homeless encampments (sanctioned or not), NO pot stores, fewer junk car repair places, more types of businesses, not replacing homes with townhomes, microhousing, or large apartment complexes, more money to beautify the main streets of 1st ave south and meyers way, better street lighting along the main streets, more sidewalks in the neighborhoods.

### Incorporation

• Incorporate. We are in no-man's-land where there are 10 cars parked in yards, no regulation on excessive junk/debree in yards, which devalues the neighborhood. We need sidewalks for the many children in the neighborhood, parks, and a stronger police presence to combat the increase of crime. A grocery store, coffee shops, or ability to have urban-suburban development that encourages walkability, and the engagement of pedestrians with a town-center (again, sidewalks!!)

- I wish we were represented by city government and a city council.
- Under-served by all municipalities transit, parks, police, etc. Transit and Pollution are my two biggest gripes - oh, and gentrification.
- We should become part of Seattle.
- I would like us to be annexed by Seattle

### Local Economy

- Economic segregation, which has resulted in a concentration of poverty and reduced opportunities for people who most need them as shown by the 2011 Opportunity Analysis commissioned by the WCCDA. In addition, a Fair Housing Study would be very telling. Trump's HUD removed President Obama's requirement to do a study. It's very telling that King County fails to acknowledge that it still has a responsibility to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing.
- add some more jobs
- increase the economic diversity. presently we have more than our share of affordable housing.
- Having more playgrounds and stores around that neighborhood.

### Affordability

- Fewer condos. Fewer developers forcing people out. More low income housing and protections for renters
- Gentrification! Our neighbors are being priced out of their homes
- Add expansed grocery store and a pharmacy/drugstore. Keep housing affordable.
- Create more affordable housing
- Make the houses less expensive because if things change and the economy gets better, then it means that it's going to get more expensive and some families can't afford so they have to be displaced.
- Make it more affordable for people who are less wealthy
- Lowering the rent money just a little
- to make it affordable for families/people that can't/don't have enough money to pay their bills.
- Cheaper housing because there is rising costs and violence developing throughout years so change in safety.
- more affordable housing.

### Land Use

- Less industrial zoning
- There is so much litter and graffiti everywhere. I don't know what to do about this. There is still lots of crime so more police could be helpful. More infrastructure such

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- We need more density options for each homeowner, with quicker and cheaper permitting
- No cookie-cutter houses
- Housing that is affordable (<33% of income of current residents)</li>
- More apartments and less (as in zero) single family zoning.
- I would change that too improve my house because it's been old and i want it upgraded
- more classic homes and small businesses
- Less millionaires buying up our lots, better land use policies that protect current residents.
- The House's because we need more space and fences for are pets to play

### Traffic / Transportation

- Increased traffic on residential streets
- The traffic. It is backing up more and more along 5th ave so going down towards 509 and 8th ave So.
- Lower traffic speeds on SW 106th St
- Better transit options
- Transit. The bus system is great, but it would be nice to have more express lines, more buses to get downtown. It would additionally be nice for there to be a plan to connect the West Seattle Link extension back down to the airport.

### Businesses / Development

- The height of the buildings on 16th street and the odd angle-parking. (Would love to see commercial w/ residential above)
- We need a movie theater
- More businesses owned by locals with a history in the neighborhood.
- Add expansed grocery store and a pharmacy/drugstore. Keep housing affordable.
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- more walkable places to go to. I have to drive everywhere.
- I would change to have more big stores
- The amount of bars in our neighborhood because its making it kinda dangerous
- I would like to change more restaurant.
- Less low income housing, no homeless encampments (sanctioned or not), NO pot stores, fewer junk car repair places, more types of businesses, not replacing homes with townhomes, microhousing, or large apartment complexes, more money to beautify the main streets of 1st ave south and meyers way, better street lighting along the main streets, more sidewalks in the neighborhoods.

### Trees / Parks / Greenery

- playground
- i would change the amount of tress there is because i would increase the amount of trees around white center
- I would add some more trees, trees would look nice and they are good for the place.
- our parks inorder to make better for all and ad more library that include every thing whether historical or future.

### Schools

- Probably making more high schools instead of just having one
- honestly the school, because i feel like in this schools the students get to do anything
  they want. in my old school there were many rules and the school has running smoothly
  yet here its not the same.

### Walkability

 More walkability, less cars. More focus on community oriented spaces, green areas and parks. Less isolated high density apartment blocks. Shift away from using large tracts of land for parking lots and car-centric commercial spaces. Less chain stores/franchises and more locally owned and operated businesses.

### Other

- My living here.
- More restrictions on the number of pot shops and their light pollution
- Under-served by all municipalities transit, parks, police, etc. Transit and Pollution are my two biggest gripes - oh, and gentrification.
- keep personality
- Resources for language access for ALL people. Non English speakers and mono lingual English speakers both need translation services to build community, and provide business services to each other.

### Gentrification

- Under-served by all municipalities transit, parks, police, etc. Transit and Pollution are my two biggest gripes oh, and gentrification.
- The prevalence of property crime and the inability for police to take action in support of victims of it. The amount of theft in this area has become completely ridiculous. My other main concern is that the area is tipping in to gentrification. I love the working class feel, but that is changing.

### South Park

- Send the street campers on Dallas Ave S away. They liter our street, make strange noise at night, trespass my property. Also get rid of the gangbangers. I would build more speed bumps on 14th Ave and Cloverdale to slow those drag cars at night.
- The traffic down 14th and Cloverdale. The truck traffic is not considerate of pedestrians.
- Industrial (Ram Mount) trying to change residential zoning to Industrial.
- I would reverse some of the industrial rezones that have eaten away at the residential area. They are underused and attract crime, late night activity. I would also plant more trees, as the air quality here is poor from surrounding industrial uses.
- Slow industry taking residential lots because the residences are important. AND we need to get more South Park residents working in South Park.
- eliminate industrial zoning in the sliver by the river between the marina and waterway park so that we can have a healthy riverfront as part of our neighborhood

### Wouldn't Change Anything

- normal don't need to change
- Nothing because I think its fine the way it is for now at least.
- I wouldn't change anything because I like the way things are now.
- I wouldn't really change anything its quite friendly and cozy.

## From your perspective, how has North Highline changed?

### **Businesses**

- New business
- There are more businesses that don't necessarily appeal to the community they're in but to the one people fear is coming.
- Definitely new and potentially-gentrifying businesses moving in. More Seattle chains moving in (like Lil' Woody's and Biscuit Bitch).
- We lost Eds Dinner and oir local grocery
- It's gotten busier, with more places to hang out and more family-friendly options.
- newer restaurants and high property taxes.
- Business district is attracting lots of new businesses that attract customers from outside the area
- Gentrification, hipster businesses taking away from established local businesses
- Even since I've been in the area over the last 3 years, many new businesses and apartments have opened. All want to be 'a part of the community', but most are owned by white people from outside of White Center
- More businesses have moved in and there are fewer vacant shops/lots. More people
  have moved into the area and more housing has been built. The cost of housing has
  gone up like crazy and so have our property taxes. The area was staring to feel safer for a
  while, but then the opioid crisis happened and now it feels less safe because of the
  number of addicts and crime related to drug addiction.
- More interesting businesses
- It is definitely in the stages of gentrification which has pros and cons. I welcome new residents and businesses but don't want to price out low and mid income families and immigrants and people of color.
- White Center has become more of a restaurant/bar destination in the past couple of years. It is safer than it was 10 years ago. More young people with wealth have moved into the neighborhood.
- Older homes are being replaced by new homes. More businesses moving in.
- It's been getting cleaning, and the companies that preyed on people (pawn shops, cash for gold, etc) are slowly leaving while a lot of the other local businesses seem to be thriving
- We've only lived here for 2 years, but in that time, half a dozen new businesses have opened and lots of townhouses have gone up. Plus, the first ever White Center Pride yay!
- People are moving here to take advantage of less strict business standards, not to belong to the pre existing community.
- More businesses have been moving in and housing prices have risen considerably.
- Alot of new business have popped up.

- We are getting better restaurants
- It is getting gentrified slowly with new businesses and residents moving in.
- The influx of more upscale type bars in downtown has been a huge change.
- More younger families are moving here and more are investing in the business district.
- I do not really know besides buinesses changing
- New businesses and houses
- More businesses and buildings have been built
- It used to be working class. Now we're one of the poorest in many ways.Local businesses used to include restaurants, furniture stores, a book store, sewing store and thrift stores as well as restaurants and bars. Top Hat had grocery stores! They have been replaced by marijuana businesses, bars and tax exempt housing.
- Having some more business is over on 8th Avenue Southwest is really nice
- The pot shops came in and changed the feel of the small business district. The number
  of homeless people and illegal dumping has increased greatly, the developers are
  tearing down smaller more affordable homes and replacing them with tightly spaced
  townhome style homes for a lot more money per home, which doesn't help the
  neighborhood. Harder to get police to come quickly.
- Well the schools boundaries changes, more houses are being build, and locally owned businesses are being sold out.

### More People

- Just like everywhere else it is much more congested More people moving here as they cannot afford to live in the city of Seattle limits
- More residents and more traffic. Along with a change in demographics, there also seems
  to be an uptick in crime. I don't want to blame homelessness as some are quick to do,
  but I suspect that the increase in basic needs going unmet directly corresponds with an
  increase in break-ins and theft.
- It has grown like crazy! Hard to park in "downtown" WC in the evening and on weekends which is a good trend by and large.
- It's gotten busier, with more places to hang out and more family-friendly options.
- More businesses have moved in and there are fewer vacant shops/lots. More people
  have moved into the area and more housing has been built. The cost of housing has
  gone up like crazy and so have our property taxes. The area was staring to feel safer for a
  while, but then the opioid crisis happened and now it feels less safe because of the
  number of addicts and crime related to drug addiction.
- The neighborhood seems to be gentrifying and moving faster. More people in a rush, myself included.
- Less space, more apartments. More expensive
- More people moving in. Getting crowded.

- The population of people increased and the environment keeps getting ruined so new homes can be built for new families
- More people are moving here, and there are more bars and restaurants, but the neighborhood still has the same character

### Housing

- Lots of new housing
- A lot more high density housing: apartments, town homes
- New ownership of owner-occupied housing has brought the desire to clean up the
  neighborhood, invest in it. It also highlights the need for more regulation of properties
  that are de-valuing the neighborhood, and the slum-lords that are expoiting the most
  vulnerable in our community. Safety is a concern, as there have been shootings,
  increased property crime, and unsanctioned homeless camps.
- Even since I've been in the area over the last 3 years, many new businesses and apartments have opened. All want to be 'a part of the community', but most are owned by white people from outside of White Center
- More expensive housing.
- Less community housing. More traffic, cube homes, parking woes. Industry expanding. More pollution and aircraft noise.
- Older homes are being replaced by new homes. More businesses moving in.
- More businesses have been moving in and housing prices have risen considerably.
- more apartment buildings have been constructed
- More homes are being built.
- More homes
- more houses has been added and there are now less rural area
- Affordable housing is increasing too much. we already have more than our share.
- well of course the housing prices have gone up. White center has had a huge up surge in restaurants and bars. also, the city and county keeps pushing the low income housing into this area, we have our share but it needs to be spread out evenly. also way more homeless people in the area.
- more homes/apartments
- the new apartments
- new building
- the apartments
- more apartments for more people
- Well the schools boundaries changes, more houses are being build, and locally owned businesses are being sold out.

### Affordability

- The area is becoming more expensive and more gentrified and the new housing and condo buildings are expanding.
- newer restaurants and high property taxes.
- Becoming more and more expensive, but also more dangerous
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  have moved into the area and more housing has been built. The cost of housing has
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- More expensive housing.
- It is definitely in the stages of gentrification which has pros and cons. I welcome new
  residents and businesses but don't want to price out low and mid income families and
  immigrants and people of color.
- Getting expensive...for north Highline
- Gentrification/cost of living is changing hte neighborhood for the worse. I'm worried about White Center losing it's community feeling. I'm also worried about my lowincome neighbors being pushed out.
- It is more expensive
- More businesses have been moving in and housing prices have risen considerably.
- More homeless people EVERYWHERE, but also the area is becoming increasingly gentrified and unaffordable.
- Becoming more expensive and wealthier, trendier
- In the short time I have lived here, housing prices have gone up and there's a lot of new development, both residential and commercial.
- Less space, more apartments. More expensive
- More expensive.
- Over the years we have got a lot of more expensive . Modern apartments that cost a lot. Which does not help our community
- The prices of houses of raised drastically, everything is super expensive.
- buildings being built over other homes and making them more expensive.
- A lot of POCs and immigrants feel they have to leave because of displacement pressures. A lot of young people who grew up here feel they won't be able to afford to live close to their parents and families
- made rent more expenisve and added more schools
- IT has gotten a lot more modern and expensive.
- families cannot pay for bills if they don't have enough money, with them raising the tax and making houses difficult to manage/pay

### Gentrification / Displacement

- Extreme gentrification, forcing out low income residents
- People being forced out by developers
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- Gentrification is pushing people out. Sad to see.
- A lot of POCs and immigrants feel they have to leave because of displacement pressures. A lot of young people who grew up here feel they won't be able to afford to live close to their parents and families
- Cost of living has created rapid gentrification (example, Beer Star clientele)
- Its beginning to gentrify.
- It is clearly gentrifying with lots of new businesses and affluent homeowners.
- I feel like its going through gentrification
- Falling population and increases in cost of living. Diversity is falling.

### Traffic

- Very busy traffic 5th Ave S to 112th Street. People drive very fast in this area and there are plenty of accidents. Also there are a lot more junk cars avarywhere
- More residents and more traffic. Along with a change in demographics, there also seems
  to be an uptick in crime. I don't want to blame homelessness as some are quick to do,
  but I suspect that the increase in basic needs going unmet directly corresponds with an
  increase in break-ins and theft.
- Less community housing. More traffic, cube homes, parking woes. Industry expanding. More pollution and aircraft noise.
- More traffic, airplane noise & lack of parking in White Center

### General Vibe

- I feel more and more used to the neighborhood.
- Compared to 10 years ago I think the neighborhood is way more inviting. However crime is really a problem still.
- Even since I've been in the area over the last 3 years, many new businesses and apartments have opened. All want to be 'a part of the community', but most are owned by white people from outside of White Center

- Generally safer and more "family friendly" since we moved here in 2007.
- Less community housing. More traffic, cube homes, parking woes. Industry expanding. More pollution and aircraft noise.
- Gentrification/cost of living is changing hte neighborhood for the worse. I'm worried about White Center losing it's community feeling. I'm also worried about my lowincome neighbors being pushed out.
- I live in South Park, but I'm familiar with the entire area. The area is definitely gentrifying, but can hopefully retain its diversity, and culture.
- We've only lived here for 2 years, but in that time, half a dozen new businesses have opened and lots of townhouses have gone up. Plus, the first ever White Center Pride yay!
- More white
- It is getting nicer. It still has a ways to go but it is improving.
- Since Trump it has gotten whiter
- Becoming more expensive and wealthier, trendier
- Gentrification
- The influx of more upscale type bars in downtown has been a huge change.
- More younger families are moving here and more are investing in the business district.
- The is new economic activity- new business, new demand for housing.

### New Development

- It's getting redeveloped
- Prices have raised for places andmoreapartment buildings built
- New buildings were made in missing/empty land
- The rent money has increased and more modern apartments.
- Over time, run down places have gotten rebuilt and innovated.
- New lights and roads been change

### Homelessness

- Homeless people everywhere. Thieves roaming. Crack houses. Graffiti and dumping.
   Worst of all the constant gunfire. Someone was shot and killed outside my garage.
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- vulnerable in our community. Safety is a concern, as there have been shootings, increased property crime, and unsanctioned homeless camps.
- More break ins, car prowls, homeless encampments
- More homeless people EVERYWHERE, but also the area is becoming increasingly gentrified and unaffordable.
- The pot shops came in and changed the feel of the small business district. The number
  of homeless people and illegal dumping has increased greatly, the developers are
  tearing down smaller more affordable homes and replacing them with tightly spaced
  townhome style homes for a lot more money per home, which doesn't help the
  neighborhood. Harder to get police to come quickly.

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- More shootings not followed up by police.
- crime is getting worse and no one seems to care
- Compared to 10 years ago I think the neighborhood is way more inviting. However crime is really a problem still.
- Becoming more and more expensive, but also more dangerous
- More businesses have moved in and there are fewer vacant shops/lots. More people
  have moved into the area and more housing has been built. The cost of housing has
  gone up like crazy and so have our property taxes. The area was staring to feel safer for a
  while, but then the opioid crisis happened and now it feels less safe because of the
  number of addicts and crime related to drug addiction.
- Generally safer and more "family friendly" since we moved here in 2007.
- White Center has become more of a restaurant/bar destination in the past couple of years. It is safer than it was 10 years ago. More young people with wealth have moved into the neighborhood.
- Way more homeless on the streets, in alleys, and door ways, who i believe to be drug addicted mostly.
- More tweekers wanering around.

- Violent crime and break-ins appears to have increased
- For the better, less crime

### Mixed Feelings

- Yes. Some good, some less good. For us it means an increase in property value. It also means more businesses we go to locally. However, there are some drawbacks including a lack of awareness about the history of the community.
- Rapid gentrification is challenging, and my family is a part of it. We love white Center because of its cultural offerings, and that is changing.
- Some good, some not as good
- It is definitely in the stages of gentrification which has pros and cons. I welcome new
  residents and businesses but don't want to price out low and mid income families and
  immigrants and people of color.

### Nothing

- Not much
- no change
- it hasn't
- It has change to me because I felt like the schools are better for me to learn from

### Schools

They added new schools

### Other

- Too much low income that the gov't is sending here
- bunch of hipyocrites and whinning bitches

### South Park

- Ram Mount is trying to turn a residential area in to industrial.
- I live in South Park, but I'm familiar with the entire area. The area is definitely gentrifying, but can hopefully retain its diversity, and culture.

# How do you feel about those changes?

#### Good

- Mostly good
- Positive. It's the reason we moved to White Center in the first place.
- Mostly positive
- I welcome them!!
- These changes are mostly for the better. It isn't yet so expensive that long time residents are being priced out of the neighborhood in a major way.
- Love them!
- I love them. More the better. I particularly like the increase in gay bars
- I like it.
- I liked diversity
- Good
- Good things happening
- It's fine with me
- I love it.
- I feel good about the changes. I'm happy for people to join the community and for local businesses to thrive.
- I feel pretty good I don't have any problems with anybody
- they create more opportunities for people to live here
- Wish there were more
- So far so good. As long as it stays safe.

#### Good with Caveats

- I think the growth is a good thing as long as long time residents are not displaced
- Fearful but hopeful that maybe our community could be an example of a neighborhood where gentrification doesn't necessarily mean displacement and the loss of culture, low income housing, diversity and affordability.
- Good and bad. I frequent some of the new businesses, and enjoy having more available, but it does represent a shift in demographic that would not be ideal for the neighborhood. We don't want to become the next Ballard or post-tech Capitol Hill.
- Ultimately these are good changes- I worry about traffic when all these people also get on the roads every day. I also want mixed housing (which I believe it is), not all Section 8 housing. Mixed housing is how we can create vibrant and strong communities.
- Outside of our property taxes skyrocketing which is necessary to support our public services it is great.

- good to see new business come into the WC area but unhappy with the increase of my property taxes relative to the services from the county in WC.
- Good for neighborhood but as it gets more people walking in the area and adding demands for more safety
- I like it. I would like to see more higher income people move into my neighborhood. It helps to push out some less desirable people in the hood.
- Mixed
- 50-50.
- I have mixed feelings. I'm glad that businesses are doing well, but I dont want to see my neighbors displaced or lose the specialty businesses that serve them.
- I don't like hurting the environment but i understand the population is growing and more homes need to be made
- communities that are diverse thrive. we are a diverse community in many ways but not economically. Economic diversity is essential to a thriving community.
- It is good for the most part- though growth needs to be carefully guided
- I like some change. But the new people coming into the area have to be respectful of the people who have been here for years.
- adding more schools makes me feel okay because it gives other children a chance to get education. Fewer trees are bad because they make oxygen for us to live.
- thats good but also bad cause we are using up more land but we are housing more people

#### **Gentrification Tension**

- I do not like displacing people who've called this place home for so long.
- I want bustling local business and some density, but I want historic residents to be fully part of the 'glow up' of the community.
- I am excited about more businesses coming to our area, but am wary because I hope that the future businesses will continue to contribute to the community's character rather than overtake it. I have mixed feelings about the number of bars going in. I don't want the Main Street in White center to become like Georgetown, where it is geared almost entirely to 21+ and very little is family friendly. Family-friendly businesses should be encouraged to come/stay here. I am ok with more housing and people to a certain point, but do not want it to get to Seattle levels, especially the traffic. I wish there was an easy answer to the safety piece- but unfortunately it seems it is a much larger issue than just our area.
- I worry about gentrification pushing people out and having a negative impact on the diversity of this area.

- Mostly good, though I don't want the trend to go so far as making White Center unrecognizable like the West Seattle Junction is or people getting priced out of their homes and businesses.
- Positive. I do worry about the cost of living skyrocketing in this neighborhood and pushing long-time residents out. There's already some resentment between "old white center" and "new white center" residents, and I'd love it if we could find a way to all get along and feel like we're benefiting one another, not threatening each other's way of life. The growth is good, but I think it needs to happen in a thoughtful manner that allows people that have lived here for decades to be a part of the growth, not pushes out by it.
- It's a double-edged sword. On one hand, there's a greater variety of things to do in the area. On the other, it's driven many White Center residents out because they can no longer afford to live here.
- On one hand, they have delicious food and bring needed dollars to the economy here.
   On the other I fear minority businesses are going to get pushed out and that this area will become the new Ballard where everything gets bulldozed for condos and we all can't afford to live here anymore.
- It is good to see more attention being given to the area as a desirable commercial and residential neighborhood, and there are some great new businesses that have opened recently. But I am concerned about the way that this development impacts low-income and vulnerable residents. I don't want the neighborhood to be viewed as simply a lucrative investment opportunity for developers while low-income residents are pushed out and the character of the neighborhood is lost.
- Mixed feelings. I don't want the people who have lived here for a long time to be forced out or feel like they are no longer part of the community. I would like the changes to be a "rising tide lifts all boats" phenomenon rather than people getting left behind.
- I enjoy Beer Star and some of the other benefits of gentrification, but I worry that if it continues at this pace that the diversity that makes White Center great will become a thing of the past.
- I would like to make sure that immigrant businesses remain in the area

#### Neutral

- Neutral, that's just progress
- Too new to say
- bad and good
- It does not really impact me because my family already owns a property.
- Meh, looking for a house, glad to know there's education for my sister.
- Lind of on the fence about some of them

#### Not Good

- I don't like them
- Sad. These are my neighbors and friends. Some of which have lived here longer than me.
- Don't like it
- Any time I feel less safe in my neighborhood, it makes me feel upset. It is frustrating dealing with extra traffic, but it is to be expected with the population growth.
- It's awful
- Shitty
- I feel bad
- I hate it.
- They are bad
- Discouraged
- I feel scared and threatened with displacement.
- Sickened... not sure what the answer is.
- Sad
- Bad
- It sucks.
- Not happy about some of the new business. White center has lost a bit of who it is to them. Starbucks dose mot fit in.
- I hate it. I can't stand the idea of families who have been living here for generations being pushed out because they can't afford their property taxes. I feel like we're on deck to become the next Ballard or West Seattle. (Where I grew up, and am 4th generation, but it became so over built and expensive that I couldn't afford to stay)
- Bad. But you can help stop it!
- It is threatening to price me out of the neighborhood.
- Uncomfortable
- I feel like it's a negative thing because most families/other people don't have enough money to pay for their homes
- It's odd that houses are build in gang zones and that sadly more local businesses are leaving
- I really dislike it because it looks too much like an establishment to be a home/ neighborhood and it irritates me that rent and prices have gone up.
- It doesn't help our community it only makes it worse. We have a lot of homeless people so this doesn't help us. Especially cause they take a lot of land that people aren't going to really use cause it cost too much.
- It angers me to see how racist land use policies align with the real estate market surge.
- I feel like some of the buildings were not necessary.

- I don't like it because we moved from Burien where I grew up at and had friends because the rent was too much for my parents too pay.
- the construction is getting annoying and familys have been stressin lol
- We do not like it
- Generally negative
- i dont like new buildings cause i like more trees in the streets motre green zone
- I am not happy about it, but I think much of it could be easily fixed.

# Leaving the Area

- I have lived in Burien and Top Hat all my life. I am moving within the year to Idaho.
- it sucks Ive lived here in this neighborhood for 47 yrs and iam moving out of this state

#### **Powerless**

• Helpless- have made multiple property complaints to no avail. Desire to change, incorporate, have better representation.

#### Unsafe

- not safe even when there's a school in the neighborhood
- I wish that it was safer so my mom would let me go to more places, I can't just walk anywhere because it's too dangerous

#### Other

- I feel like King County doesn't care about by this area and doesn't try to improve at all. We only have two deputies patrol this area and white center.
- I do wish we could all slow down a little bit. In our cars, and in general
- Frustrated that for all the crime activity and still only 2 sheriffs.

#### South Park

• Ram Mount should move out and leave the residential where is it with access to the river. It has outgrown its current location and needs to move to a larger industrial footprint, not try to convert residential to industrial to increase it's foot print.

# What have these changes meant for you and your family?

#### Positive

- Our home value has increased, which we are thankful for.
- Walkable Parks (that are sometimes clean), walkable restaurants and stores, friendly coffee shops. It's been very positive.
- We have more places to go out to eat if it is in our budget to splurge
- It makes me want to stay there longer.
- Trying to start a family, it is a good neighborhood.
- It means I've stopped considering my White Center home purchase a stepping stone for moving somewhere else and instead see myself and my family here for the "long haul".,
- Ability to shop, dine, and participate in community events close to home. Means the world!
- More places to go to in walking distance from our home. More business related traffic and foot traffic has made 16th feel more safe but it still has issues.
- More comfortable walking around, lots of great places to spend time and money, etc.
- We moved here because we had to. The house we were renting in the junction area sold and we needed a pet-friendly home within a relatively short commute of my place of work. We've been pleasantly surprised by this neighborhood, and it's been exciting to read about all of the new businesses that are being planned and opened on what seems like a monthly basis. Businesses have opened that have meant I can stay within our community to eat a delicious meal, practice yoga, there's a co-working space that just opened....people can keep their offices in white Center! I think thoughtful development focusing on privately owned businesses will ultimately continue to benefit residents.
- I love diversity
- They have improved our quality of life
- We can enjoy supporting our local businesses in our area. The neighborhood feels more safe during the day. We take more pride in the area we live in.
- More access to good businesses
- Things are getting better here and we have more and more voices from communities of color involved in community discussions
- It has been good for us, we are able to maintain our household despite rising property tax, the increased equity is allowing some on our block to improve their houses, and we have enjoyed the new businesses coming to the business district
- Well my mom and grandma both like highline cause they both worked at the district so I think pretty great
- it's easier to go out to coffee
- More places to go/see. more people to meet.
- I was able to buy and fix up an affordable house

#### Gentrification Tension

- For my family it has been mostly positive, but I also represent aspects of the gentrification of the neighborhood, since mine is a middle-class white household.
- I'm fortunate that is hasn't affected us directly, but I feel for those who aren't fortunate.
- Right now we are waiting to see how the area develops. If there continue to be
  improvements and safety becomes less of a concern, we will stay. If improvements
  stagnate and safety continues to be a concern, we may seriously consider leaving the
  area ( and likely the Seattle area altogether)Property tax increases were a financial
  burden for a while, but they seem to have leveled out.
- Not sure. I mostly feel lucky to have bought my home when it was still affordable
- I like having more food/bar options as long as long time businesses can stick around. I feel safer walking at night than I used to.
- My family has benefited financially from these changes, but that doesn't mean I like them. i want to live in a culturally and economically diverse neighborhood. I'm worred it's becoming a neighborhood for rich white people.
- We have seen our property tax bill increase significantly, and we would no longer be
  able to afford buying a home in the area. However, we do enjoy proximity to new local
  businesses and are happy that the unique character of the neighborhood is still being
  embraced by locals and newcomers alike.
- Not much....as recent transplants we are part of the changes. We like the community as it is and don't want to see our neighbors, who have lived here for a long time, forced out.

# Infrastructure

- Be very careful when walking through the neighborhood, there are no sidewalks
- As far as lacking sidewalks / appropriate lighting, it makes me less likely to walk places (or jog outside) than if there were adequate provisions made for pedestrians.
- I like to regularly go to our local restaurants. However, I don't feel safe walking at night or alone.

#### Safety

- being very careful when out and about.
- Be more diligent, untrusting of strangers, on edge
- We have to decide if we are ok with getting shot at the Taco Bell or the Starbucks.
- feeling unsafe
- We are fearful a lot.

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- Being extra alert and vigilant
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- I think rise in gentrification tends to keep the thieves around. I think they think there's probably better stuff to steal as more money comes into the neighborhood.
- feel less safe
- At times difficult to feel at ease in our own home. Known drug house a few doors down with drug related foot traffic by our home constantly.

#### Nothing

- Nothing. We moved in and are waiting for the neighborhood to grow and evolve. As of right now it hasn't
- Little to none
- No effect.My children are grown and I'm ready to down-size.
- I have lived here almost 30 years and have seen no improvements at all.
- Not much yet.
- Not much in our case. Seeing people you know leave and/or have their kids leave.
- Nothing yet.
- Not much, we are living like how we always do.
- Things haven't changed that much really.
- They have not affected me or my family in any way yet.
- Personally, theprices have also increased and it becomes a great issue economically but there is no backing out becasue of the contracts.
- nothing has changed

#### Negative

- A lot of the places we love are closing. We're wondering which ones will be next and if our rent will go up.
- Uprooting ourselves from what we had planned for our retirement years.
- Less sense of community. I don't know my neighbors any more.
- Food desert
- Our neighbors have been displaced
- Decreased diversity
- Feel like I am going to be moved out
- I don't get to experience other cultures or ways of life

- We face insecurity regarding our housing. We worry daily about the lack of multifamily zoning.
- i has been negative because of the up pay in rent
- sometimes we don't have enough money to pay the bills/other things we need
- the rent goes up affecting my family because rent is costing more than usual.
- My family cannot find affordable areas because housing is so expensive
- A review of Public Health's information on North Highline compared with the rest of the county is very telling. It's not nearly as safe. Our schools are struggling. Our young people are at risk. We die too soon. We have a deficit of green spaces. Again, read the Opportunity Analysis from 2011.
- Don't shop in the small business district because there is nothing there anymore.
   Business district feels dirty and not nice. The large apartment complex on 112th is too large and seems to be just more low income housing. Doesn't feel as safe in some parts of the neighborhood as it used to. less neighborly.
- I deal with very high levels of stress on a daily basis and it has affected my health to the point where I now have a severe stress induced illness. My children is very pessimistic about the future bc it's obvious to them that the racist, exclusionary policies that used to drive people to live here In the past are the same that laid the ground for our neighborhood being low cost which makes it cheap and easy for rich people to push us out now. One of my kids goes as far as to say he won't have any kids bc these same racist policies that have been applied at the local level, play out on the macro level to exploit people and resources in other countries.. For him, the direct link between racist land use and the climate crisis is very clear. He is often disheartened by how little progress we're making and is convinced that the human race is doomed..All this to say this plan and this lack of equity makes my family's life very difficult.
- working more to pay rent
- We think that it is over priced for people who aren't wealthy.
- It means that in the future living here will be much more difficult in terms of cost when
  its just me and that modern style will take over and replace what used to be called
  home.
- we do not shop or visit the white center business area any more.
- If we want to move we cant cause its all too expensive.
- more expensive housing means needing more money.
- We have a bit less of a sense of community.

#### Taxes

- It means that the money we have poured into bettering our home and community are in peril of being wasted if we do not have more control on the environmental, social, and economic impacts of the mis-use of properties in the area.
- We may move because the property taxes are too high relative to when we bought in 2014. Our house was inhabitable when purchased. We worked hard and spent our life savings to make it livable, now the county raised our property taxes because of our improvements.
- Property taxes have nearly doubled in the 4 years since we purchased our home. This
  does put a lot of financial pressure on my family.
- Our property taxes have gone way up
- it's made the property value go up

## Leaving the Area

were moving out of this state.

#### Other

- I leave more time to get where I need to go. I plan to give more grace to those rushing around me.
- We are all just more hyper alert about our surroundings.

#### Safety

- It's safer each year when they change
- Good but keeping each other safe
- Mom feels like it's unsafe
- That we can live in a place that is safer
- I feel safer walking my kids down the main street during the day (not at night). Parking and traffic have become a nightmare.
- higher taxes, feeling less safe due to homeless situation, Property crimes have gone way up.

# South Park

- The people that live in these homes have been given notice to vacate. This is affordable housing in a residential area and is not supposed to be industrial.
- Property values go up, and so do taxes. For us it's an added burden. We are all 30% below AMI in my house, which is shared. Our friends are being pushed out as development moves in. Its heartbreaking. The 10 houses in the Rose/Orr St triangle need to stay residential, as they are small affordable homes in good condition. Industrial

zoning is not appropriate in this location, in the heart of our community, and so close to the bridge, future plaza/park and also the river walk.

# What kind of community do you want North Highline to be? Welcoming / Sense of Community / Inclusive

- A kind and welcoming one!
- A suburban neighborhood that is safe, which a sense of community
- I want North Highline to be a diverse and welcoming neighborhood with lots of families. I would like it to work on cultivating multi-use spaces, like lots of shops, dining, and office space options along with housing to make it a really dynamic area.
- That's just it, I want a COMMUNITY. Quit letting developers tear down entire blocks and build one million condos or guant warehouses and then sell them to the highest bidder. There should be thoughtful planning on how to include affordable housing, parking, and green spaces when planning a development.
- A welcoming and open community.
- Safe and caring. It would be nice if we have a community center
- A welcoming to all and safe community. We do need more deputies such as the great ones we already have.
- Inclusive, diverse, vocalized
- Make it a community embrace multiple culture, easy for blue collars, great place to raise kids.
- Diverse. Welcoming. Safe. I like like small non-corporate businesses.
- Inclusive and fun. Seriously, in all honesty, I would want this neighborhood to become the next gayborhood of Seattle. It's coming close. Many LGBTQ folks moving here due to affordability.
- Diverse, caring, artistic, family friendly, dog friendly, close community
- I want a community that is diverse and that support each other. I want a community that reinvests in itself and its future. I want a community that promotes equity. I want a colorful community that is vibrant and makes you feel as if you belong.
- A place where historic residents and new residents work as a community, go to the same businesses, engage in the community equally.
- Safe, welcoming, and joyful
- I want it to be safe, affordable to rent and buy for individuals and small businesses, inclusive of people of different backgrounds,
- Inclusive, diverse, multi cultural, green and family friendly!
- Inclusive and affordable. Maintain single family homes. Don't add to industrial land use.
- Inclusive and welcoming
- A friendly one, a safe one.
- Open and welcoming to everyone, diverse, with community policing (not broken windows enforcement) and more cultural events for all the various groups that live here.
- Safe, welcoming to all,

- Funky, loving, intolerant of hate, welcoming.
- Affordable and welcoming to all
- Welcoming to all, but not crime-ridden
- Tight-knit.
- · a good thriving community that people help each other out
- helpful friendly and kind community
- Peaceful and a supportive community
- A positive, non violent, free community
- A helping community.
- a peaceful one, one to look up to
- Strong and Proud, less racism and inequality
- A community that cares about the people
- A community as a whole
- welcoming
- welcoming, open, and maintain the low density neighborhood feel in comparison to the surrounding area.
- A community with more schools and jobs, less racism and stereotypes, safe, affordable rate of costs depending on the people
- it should be a community where families should not have to feel worried
- A little more friendly for people with disabilities

# Vibrant / Creative / Funky

- Vibrant, Diverse, family-oriented, safe
- I want a community that is diverse and that support each other. I want a community that reinvests in itself and its future. I want a community that promotes equity. I want a colorful community that is vibrant and makes you feel as if you belong.
- Neighborhoody, clean, vibrant
- Safe, welcoming, and joyful
- Focused on the arts, walkable catered to small business
- Diverse, caring, artistic, family friendly, dog friendly, close community
- Diverse, funky, safe.
- Vibrant, thriving, diverse, colorful, GREEN with trees and access to nature.
- Open and welcoming to everyone, diverse, with community policing (not broken windows enforcement) and more cultural events for all the various groups that live here.
- Funky, loving, intolerant of hate, welcoming.
- A vibrant, safe business district surrounded by dozens of housing options for people from all walks of life.

- It would be great to see the area emerge as a hub for imaginative and forward thinking approaches to urbanization and city planning, while retaining high levels of diversity and our unique neighborhood character. I would love to see things like integrated community gardens, bike/pedestrian-only roadways, co-operative housing, publicly owned commercial areas, and dedicated art installation spaces. Most importantly, I want this community to take accountability for our heavy impact on the environment by setting aggressive and ambitious pollution reduction goals. In an ideal future, I would be able to take my kid to swimming lessons at Hicklin Lake like they did in the 1940's.
- Anti-government, i.e. self-sufficient. Better integrated to West Seattle.

#### Clean

- Neighborhoody, clean, vibrant
- Like Bellevue. Clean and safe.
- Clean
- A healthy one with a good community and lots of trashcans and trees around.

#### Small Business

- Focused on the arts, walkable catered to small business
- I want it to be a stronghold of small, local businesses and diversity. Where we can feel good about walking down the street of the commercial district and residential streets, but not just see one kind of face or family or business.
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- Family friendly and would be nice to have some walkability to at least a coffee shop or something
- I'd like it to be family-friendly, with increasing infrastructure and commercial zoning to allow for more shopping / dining options close to home. I'd also like to see more pedestrian-friendly modifications to be made to encourage more foot traffic.
- Diverse. Welcoming. Safe. I like like small non-corporate businesses.
- I want it to be safe, affordable to rent and buy for individuals and small businesses, inclusive of people of different backgrounds,
- A place to shop and dine and hang out that is diverse and safe and that treasures its old-building character.
- Cultural and economically diverse neighborhood, with businesses that reflect the community.
- I would like to be more included with Seattle such as shared bikes, car share programs like car2go and more police. I would love the neighborhood to be safe and more walkable with sidewalks and bike lanes. And just more business as well.
- A safe community where business want to come establish themselves

- I hope it keeps a small town feel. I love having options for dining, entertainment, ect, but I worry about becoming a destination. I don't feel like current residents have enough support and resources, so having an onslaught of visitors from other areas to worry about is worrisome. (For example, police availability when there are incidents in and around bars. They are already stretched too thin, so how can they support the community that pays the taxes here when there are calls requiring their attention when a party bus from stupid Bellevue starts a fight that escalates into something horrible?)
- Multicultural, would love if more small shops and a grocery opened in my area. Would love to see corner shops
- Maintain commercial/industrial opportunities
- Strong small business community
- Healthy, diverse, opportunity rich, clean and safe with businesses that are not dependent on alcohol and marijuana.
- we need a vibrant business area with family friendly restaurants and fine dining
  restaurants. higher end condos or homes near the business areas. convert the business
  area to retail with condos above giving residents ownership of the streets. the county
  has not done us a favor with the excessive number of marijuana shops in north highline.
  we had requested density regulations years ago but still no effort to limit them.
- a gang free zone with local businesses.

#### Diverse

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- Make it a community embrace multiple culture, easy for blue collars, great place to raise kids.
- Diverse. Welcoming. Safe. I like like small non-corporate businesses.
- I want a community that is diverse and that support each other. I want a community that reinvests in itself and its future. I want a community that promotes equity. I want a colorful community that is vibrant and makes you feel as if you belong.
- Diverse, affordable AND safe

- Vibrant, Diverse, family-oriented, safe
- Residents! Diverse neighborhoods. We need to keep the sliver by the river residential.
- A place to shop and dine and hang out that is diverse and safe and that treasures its old-building character.
- Inclusive, diverse, multi cultural, green and family friendly!
- Diverse, funky, safe.
- Cultural and economically diverse neighborhood, with businesses that reflect the community.
- Vibrant, thriving, diverse, colorful, GREEN with trees and access to nature.
- Open and welcoming to everyone, diverse, with community policing (not broken windows enforcement) and more cultural events for all the various groups that live here.
- diversity
- Multicultural, would love if more small shops and a grocery opened in my area. Would love to see corner shops
- I want it to be a diverse community (both diverse identities and diverse economically). I
  want it to be a place where people are proud to live and work. I want it to feel safe and
  welcoming while remaining gritty and alternative. I want it to be LGBTQ friendly.
- Diverse! Accessible!
- Diverse and affordable. With no cookie cutter neighborhoods.
- Diverse, but safe. A place for all families, not just those who can afford a 500K house.
- An inclusive, welcoming, diverse community where everyone feels welcome, crime is low, businesses are thriving, green space is available and accessible to all. I would prefer that the main thoroughfares continue to become more dense to support lower-cost housing and better access to public transit and local amenities.
- Healthy, diverse, opportunity rich, clean and safe with businesses that are not dependent on alcohol and marijuana.
- Multicultural & small

#### Safe

- A suburban neighborhood that is safe, which a sense of community
- A walkable and safe one
- Safe and clean. Get rid of all graffiti.
- Safe and caring. It would be nice if we have a community center
- A welcoming to all and safe community. We do need more deputies such as the great ones we already have.
- Safe and clean.
- Gun free
- a safe one

- Like Bellevue. Clean and safe.
- Diverse. Welcoming. Safe. I like like small non-corporate businesses.
- Diverse, affordable AND safe
- Vibrant, Diverse, family-oriented, safe
- Safe, welcoming, and joyful
- I want it to be safe, affordable to rent and buy for individuals and small businesses, inclusive of people of different backgrounds,
- A place to shop and dine and hang out that is diverse and safe and that treasures its oldbuilding character.
- Diverse, funky, safe.
- A friendly one, a safe one.
- Safe, welcoming to all,
- I would like to be more included with Seattle such as shared bikes, car share programs like car2go and more police. I would love the neighborhood to be safe and more walkable with sidewalks and bike lanes. And just more business as well.
- There's no such thing as a perfect neighborhood, but it sure would be nice if we didn't have to worry about even leaving a pack of gum in our vehicles without the fear of it getting broken in to.
- A safe community where business want to come establish themselves
- Not gentrified, but safe.
- I hope it keeps a small town feel. I love having options for dining, entertainment, ect, but I worry about becoming a destination. I don't feel like current residents have enough support and resources, so having an onslaught of visitors from other areas to worry about is worrisome. (For example, police availability when there are incidents in and around bars. They are already stretched too thin, so how can they support the community that pays the taxes here when there are calls requiring their attention when a party bus from stupid Bellevue starts a fight that escalates into something horrible?)
- Welcoming to all, but not crime-ridden
- A vibrant, safe business district surrounded by dozens of housing options for people from all walks of life.
- safe and open
- A safe community that looks more like a place for families instead of a place to hold a conference.
- A good one with less violence.
- Safe, innovative, and clean
- Where everyone feels safe.
- safe, welcoming, affordable
- a safe community where people can walk around safely
- Safe and lots of outdoor areas.

- · connected, well liked, safe
- i would want north highline to be safer place to walk through
- a nice, outgoing neighborhood with less violence.
- safer, more types of business that don't sell pot, less low income housing, no homeless encampments of any kind. Like to see the area have better lighting, some street trees.
- a gang free zone with local businesses.

# Walkable / Infrastructure

- I'd like it to be family-friendly, with increasing infrastructure and commercial zoning to allow for more shopping / dining options close to home. I'd also like to see more pedestrian-friendly modifications to be made to encourage more foot traffic.
- One with more light rail stops in the future
- I would like to be more included with Seattle such as shared bikes, car share programs like car2go and more police. I would love the neighborhood to be safe and more walkable with sidewalks and bike lanes. And just more business as well.
- Mostly the same as it is. But with sidewalks and more frequent bus service!
- Make sure that infrastructure keeps up with any changes in zoning

#### Affordable

- Affordable
- One where low income renters and home owners can move/remain
- One where the people who have lived here the longest and the immigrant communities that make this neighborhood special can afford to continue to live here.
- Diverse, affordable AND safe
- I want it to be safe, affordable to rent and buy for individuals and small businesses, inclusive of people of different backgrounds,
- Inclusive and affordable. Maintain single family homes. Don't add to industrial land use.
- Affordable and welcoming to all
- Environmentally sustainable, generationally rooted, elders/kids can afford to stay.
- A vibrant, safe business district surrounded by dozens of housing options for people from all walks of life.
- Bigger, better, and more affordable.
- I want north of highline to be affordable
- I want it to be a place that respects and supports low income families
- I want it to be a better community for the kids and family's that can't really afford things like a house or an apartment
- A safe community for everyone to live in and get a start at owning a home as it is still
  the last affordable area in Seattle.

 A community with more schools and jobs, less racism and stereotypes, safe, affordable rate of costs depending on the people

#### Quiet

- a quiet peaceful community
- Peaceful, active, and connected.
- a calm and nice community
- Peaceful

#### Family-Friendly

- Family friendly and would be nice to have some walkability to at least a coffee shop or something
- I'd like it to be family-friendly, with increasing infrastructure and commercial zoning to allow for more shopping / dining options close to home. I'd also like to see more pedestrian-friendly modifications to be made to encourage more foot traffic.
- Make it a community embrace multiple culture, easy for blue collars, great place to raise kids.
- Diverse, caring, artistic, family friendly, dog friendly, close community
- Vibrant, Diverse, family-oriented, safe
- Inclusive, diverse, multi cultural, green and family friendly!

#### The Same

- Same as always, except for car prowls and mail theft.
- One where the people who have lived here the longest and the immigrant communities that make this neighborhood special can afford to continue to live here.
- I like how it is.
- Mostly the same as it is. But with sidewalks and more frequent bus service!
- Nice, I want it to stay the same
- the way it is
- Stay the same

#### Small-Town

• I hope it keeps a small town feel. I love having options for dining, entertainment, ect, but I worry about becoming a destination. I don't feel like current residents have enough support and resources, so having an onslaught of visitors from other areas to worry about is worrisome. (For example, police availability when there are incidents in and around bars. They are already stretched too thin, so how can they support the community that pays the taxes here when there are calls requiring their attention when a party bus from stupid Bellevue starts a fight that escalates into something horrible?)

# Housing

- Residential.
- More townhouses and apartment that aren't so expensive. But quality of each should be good. Just cause it doesn't cost much shouldn't mean to give us a crap of a place to live.
   Sure add some single family housing to but not a lot cause that takes a lot of land. And the land can be used for so much more.
- a good one with plenty of houses
- more affordable housing.
- welcoming, open, and maintain the low density neighborhood feel in comparison to the surrounding area.

#### Green

- Inclusive, diverse, multi cultural, green and family friendly!
- Vibrant, thriving, diverse, colorful, GREEN with trees and access to nature.
- Environmentally sustainable, generationally rooted, elders/kids can afford to stay.

#### Other

- At this point I don't really care because I am so disgusted and angry.
- doesn't matter the poloticians don't listen to anyone.
- Keep fireworks legal for the 4th and new year's, the loudest voices don't represent the majority
- A healthy place
- More like around the junction in west seattle
- Do not want to become like Ballard (homogenous)

#### South Park

- Residents! Diverse neighborhoods. We need to keep the sliver by the river residential.
- Inclusive and affordable. Maintain single family homes. Don't add to industrial land use.

#### Incorporation

- A Seattle neighborhood.
- I would like it to be part of Seattle
- seattle neigborhood
- I'd like to see us get urban level services. I think that annexing the unincorporated areas must be done but it must be done with a robust set of anti displacement priorities that retain the housing (And people) we have now even as we build more affordable

housing. I'd like to see my community build and sustain the capacity to participate meaningfully in its own governance using multicultural, multiracial, multilingual methods that center diverse and previously targeted communities.

# Is there anything else you would like to tell us about North Highline or your neighborhood?

#### Taxes

- Taxes have gone up drastically but we are not seeing any direct improvements.
- Maybe lowering taxes so family's can get the right check they deserve so they can pay there bills

# Safety

- NEED MORE CODE VIOLATION OFFICERS AND POLICE PRESENCE
- Provide more police or incorporate
- Crime is a problem. There is far too much crime (drug dealing) happening right out in the open. It feels almost as though law enforcement sanctions drug dealing on certain blocks.
- It can be scary and ghetto
- its an okay neighborhood but there is some violence that happen around the area
- be more safe
- The drug dealing is blatant and everywhere. Also, I'm not thrilled about the questionable massage parlors on 16th.
- When we moved in 50 years ago, we would shop in white center, visit the parks and enjoy walks. we no longer feel safe doing so.

#### Land Use

- We need density and transit!
- Plant more trees in White Center.
- Since White Center is on a plateau, more attention should be paid to slopes.

#### Control Growth

- Make sure growth is controlled. Change the building codes so no one can build six houses just south of us without providing any mitigation such a sidewalks and street drainage. Provide safer intersections in downtown White Center where too many cars are running through stop signed streets without stopping.
- Please don't fall for the density scam that Seattle has, tearing down one \$300K house to build 6 \$600K townhomes does not increase affordability, it ruins quality of living and hastens displacement of lower income households.

I understand the arguments and political pressure towards up-zoning- but I fear the
unintended consequences. If greater density is introduced to the neighborhood areasthough housing supply will increase (good) - it will cause displacement as residents will
be pressured to sell to developers. The neighborhood- and the people that live here
now- will be lost.

# Grocery

• It would be awesome to get another grocery option somewhere in White Center - not a Safeway.

#### Infrastructure

- Make sure growth is controlled. Change the building codes so no one can build six houses just south of us without providing any mitigation such a sidewalks and street drainage. Provide safer intersections in downtown White Center where too many cars are running through stop signed streets without stopping.
- Need more sidewalks
- We need light rail
- Why are they spending money on roundabouts when we don't even have sidewalks?
- I think it would be great if we made 16th street between Roxbery and 98th a pedestrian park similar to what the did on Bell street in Seattle.

#### Cleanliness

• The cleanliness needs improvement. Street sweeping would help, as would a formal way to report trash in parks & the public way.

# Involve More in Planning

- Please, SOMEHOW, find out how to get more people involved in this conversation, start with people don't speak English. Their voice matters.
- White center development counsel is the best organization here. Keep amplifying voices of the poor and dispossessed!
- There has to be more investment in building up our capacity to learn and educate each
  other about the historically exclusionary status quo as well as what the options are for
  changing our future for the better while being able to thrive and benefit from the
  growth in our region.

# Affordability

• Make it easy to add cottages and apartments in our single family homes. Help homeowners create more affordable housing where ever you can. We need more

- density and will benefit from it. Also surround the business district with much higher density so that folks can live in our small downtown.
- I live in North Highline but it's technically Burien, though it doesn't feel like it. I'd like to see more affordable housing and not just single-family homes.
- I love living here but if prices go up at this rate i wont be able to afford it when i'm an adult unless i get a really good job during college and increase in modern style is very disapointing.

#### South Park

- Yes, the sliver by the river has zero transportation options. You may want to work with king county metro on uping bus services in and out of South Park before you build more stuff
- I'm also a teacher at Concord and some of our families will be displaced (in addition to an elderly widow who is blind and has been in her apartment for decades) if you rezone the sliver to industrial. People are more important than businesses. Do not rezone that area and do not displace more people. Our school already has a huge number of students facing houselessness and a huge number of families who have left because they could no longer afford/find housing in South Park. Do something to combat/end this, not something that reduces the number of housing units in our neighborhood
- Please don't allow the sliver by the river to become industrial. Allow it to remain a residential part of our neighborhood.
- I wish there was less tear downs to build up horrific, cheap boxes with no parking. I wish there was less industry polluting our river and air. We have a lower life expectancy here due to pollution.
- Do not allow this expansion. This land was supposed to be residential and was confirmed to be residential last time zoning was taken to court.
- The Sliver by the River needs to stay residential, it's an important part of our community and we value the people, trees, and older affordable homes located there. The DVNPC fought an Industrial rezone for this area years ago, and won. Now, out of the blue ONE company wants to tear down houses to expand? Not acceptable. I'm pleased Ram Mounts is successful, but industrial is NOT an acceptable land use in this location. The community wishes to protect our neighbors from displacement. We've already lost so much if our neighborhood to the bridge rebuild, and previous industrial rezones.
- South Park is the most affordable part of the City of Seattle. Let's keep it vibrant. AND with services like the local FD, plus the completion of the SP Bridge, the Sliver should become a part of the city.
- Need to pay attention to the sliver by the river. It's part of South Park. South Park is a neighborhood regardless of whether it's County or City.

• My neighborhood is severely impacted by the airport

# Incorporation

- I love this area! However, I see value in being incorporated into a city---either Seattle or Burien. Are there plans for that to happen soon? It would definitely help with the crime, trash, litter and homelessness issues.
- Please dont try to make it part of Burien or Seattle.
- Treat us like a small city, not like some rural area.
- Do not part of Seattle

#### Good Vibes

- I appreciate that this poll is being taken and look forward to the future of our neighborhood!
- Despite my complaints about theft, I think this is still a great place to live. I've been really happy here.
- There is a lot of change happening for the better, we hope this continues.
- I have loved living here for the past twenty years. I was able to purchase a home and support this community

#### Other

- I am tired of us being the dumping ground for everything the rest of unincorporated King County doesn't want.
- lots of talk by you guys, no action however
- King County needs to start walking its talk. Where is the data? How is it being used?
   Where is the equity? Not in WC, if it was we wouldn't have concentrations of poor people, bars and marijuana businesses.
- nobody really calls it "North highline" but you guys...

#### Sense of Community

- I just want to continue to stress how much diversity makes us who we are in White Center and how much we need transit and connectivity of services with the surrounding communities. No community is an island in this global society.
- A lot of people who live here are invested in this place. We are a community who values our people and where we came from. Please dont let our location become the reason to destroy a vibrant and healthy community.