APPENDIX C  Community Pedestrian Survey

The following report on pages 100-114 summarizes the responses the planning team received from people who completed a www.surveygizmo.com survey about walking in Topeka.

Following the Gizmo Survey Summary Report is the Mapping Data Survey Report from pages 115-123. This report summarizes the responses the planning team received from people who completed a www.wikimapping.com mapping survey about walking in Topeka. Responses received from Community Workshop Number One attendees were also entered into the mapping survey by the planning team.
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Number of Survey Gizmo Respondents

161

Respondent's City
(as reported by each respondent's computer IP address)

- Abilene, KS: 1
- Andover, KS: 1
- Bentonville, AR: 1
- Carbondale, KS: 1
- Champaign, IL: 1
- Ft. Collins, CO: 1
- Gardner, KS: 1
- Kansas City, MO: 1
- Lawrence, KS: 1
- Lee's Summit, MO: 1
- Manhattan, KS: 1
- Olath, KS: 1
- Overland Park, KS: 1
- Topeka, KS: 1
- Wichita, KS: 1

Unknown: 10
Survey respondents in North Topeka and East Topeka are underrepresented in this data, which should be kept in mind as this report is reviewed. Responses are skewed in favor of people who live in West Topeka, where most survey respondents reside.
Which of the following do you do in Topeka?

- Live, Work, Play: 75%
- Live: 7%
- Work, Play: 6%
- Live, Work: 4%
- Play: 3%
- Work: 3%
- No Answer: 1%

Referral Website

- topeka.org/pedplan: 61%
- unknown: 27%
- facebook.com: 8%
- cjonline.com: 4%
How satisfied are you with the state of walking in Topeka?

- "It's mostly not a nice place to walk, with a few exceptions." 31%
- "There are quite a few bright spots, but there are also quite a few problems spots." 51%
- "We've got it pretty good here, but there's always room for improvement." 7%
- "It's great, things couldn't get any better." 0%
- "It's really bad, there's nowhere to go but up." 9%
- No Response 2%

Survey Completed on (2015)
### What do you like best about walking in Topeka? Choose all that apply:

- Pedestrian signals at stoplights work well: 59
- Other pedestrians are friendly: 59
- Sidewalks are wide enough: 39
- Curb ramps are plentiful and well built: 35
- Crossing the street is easy: 29
- Bicyclists are well behaved: 25
- None of these apply: 24
- There are a lot of sidewalks: 19
- Motorists are well behaved: 19
- The distance between destinations is easy to walk: 15
- Other: 14
- The overall walking environment is good, with plenty: 12
- Sidewalks are clear of brush, debris, puddles, and/or: 12
- Sidewalk surfaces are smooth: 11
- Street lighting at night is good: 9

### What do you like least about walking in Topeka? Choose all that apply:

- Sidewalk surfaces are bumpy: 98
- There are a lack of sidewalks: 92
- Street lighting at night is poor: 83
- Sidewalks are full of brush, debris, puddles, and/or snow: 70
- Motorists don’t respect pedestrians: 69
- Sidewalks are narrow: 57
- The overall walking environment is poor, with a lack of...: 56
- The distance between destinations is too far: 48
- Crossing the street is difficult: 45
- Curb ramps are lacking and poorly built: 45
- Other: 24
- Other pedestrians are unfriendly: 21
- Bicyclists don’t respect pedestrians: 18
- Other pedestrians are friendly: 8
- Pedestrian signals at stoplights don’t work well: 7
What are your top priorities for improving the walking environment? Choose up to 3:

- Smoother sidewalk surfaces: 70%
- More sidewalks: 66%
- Improved street lighting at night: 55%
- Improved overall walking environment, with more green...: 53%
- Clean sidewalks free of brush, debris, puddles, and/or snow: 35%
- Wider sidewalks: 32%
- Motorist education: 23%
- Shorter distances between destinations: 21%
- Improved street crossings: 19%
- Improved pedestrian signals at stoplights: 10%
- Pedestrian education: 10%
- Other: 9%
- Bicyclist education: 6%
- More and better curb ramps: 6%

About how often do you walk back & forth, or in a loop (for exercise/recreation/dog walking):

- Every day: 21%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 22%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 30%
- 1 day/week: 12%
- 1 day/month: 3%
- 1 rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 8%
- No answer: 4%
About how often do you walk to a park/recreational/fitness facility?

- Every day: 5%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 5%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 21%
- 1 day/week: 12%
- 1 day/month: 16%
- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 29%
- No answer: 12%

About how often do you walk home?

- Every day: 12%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 11%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 15%
- 1 day/week: 4%
- 1 day/month: 6%
- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 36%
- No answer: 16%
About how often do you walk to friends and/or relatives?

- Every day: 2%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 3%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 15%
- 1 day/week: 17%
- 1 day/month: 15%
- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 37%
- No answer: 11%

About how often do you walk to a store/business/restaurant?

- Every day: 2%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 3%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 15%
- 1 day/week: 15%
- 1 day/month: 20%
- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 37%
- No answer: 8%
About how often do you walk Downtown?

- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 48%
- No answer: 12%
- Every day: 2%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 8%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 9%
- 1 day/week: 10%
- 1 day/month: 11%

About how often do you walk to a workplace?

- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 60%
- No answer: 15%
- Every day: 5%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 7%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 4%
- 1 day/week: 3%
- 1 day/month: 6%
About how often do you walk to the library?

I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 62%

No answer: 14%

About how often do you walk to a gov't building/community center?

I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 64%

No answer: 14%
About how often do you walk to a museum/concert/event facility?

- Every day: 1%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 1%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 1%
- 1 day/week: 3%
- 1 day/month: 18%
- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 64%
- No answer: 12%

About how often do you walk to school?

- No answer: 14%
- Every day: 6%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 4%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 4%
- 1 day/week: 5%
- 1 day/month: 1%
- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 66%
About how often do you walk to a place of worship?

- Every day: 1%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 0%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 2%
- 1 day/week: 7%
- 1 day/month: 6%
- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 70%
- No answer: 14%

About how often do you walk to the bus stop?

- Every day: 3%
- 4 to 6 days/week: 3%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 1%
- 1 day/week: 1%
- 1 day/month: 3%
- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 75%
- No answer: 14%
About how often do you walk to a health care institution?

- Every day: 1%
- 2 to 4 days/week: 0%
- 1 day/week: 2%
- 1 day/month: 7%
- No answer: 14%
- I rarely or never walk to this type of destination: 76%

Gender of Respondents

- Male: 36%
- Female: 62%
- No Answer: 2%
Age of Respondents

- Younger than 18: 0%
- 18 - 22: 3%
- 23 - 29: 12%
- 30 - 39: 30%
- 40 - 49: 17%
- 50 - 59: 18%
- 60 - 69: 14%
- 70 +: 4%
- No Answer: 2%

Which of the following best describes your access to an automobile?

- Accessible all of the time: 91%
- Accessible most of the time: 4%
- Limited access: 3%
- No access: 1%
- No answer: 1%
Do you have child or elder-age dependents living with you?

- Yes: 53%
- No: 46%
- No answer: 1%

Do you have a physical disability which affects the amount you walk or the route you take?

- Yes: 7%
- No Answer: 2%
- No: 91%
Online WikiMap Survey:

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. **IDENTIFY** with stars the place(s) you like to walk to or would like to walk to.
2. **DRAW** with lines the route(s) you like to take to get to those places or would like to take.
3. **MARK** with circles the good spots and problem spots for walking.

**LEGEND**

- ★ Place I like to walk to
- ★★★★ Place I would like to walk to
- ★★★ Route I like to walk
- ★★★★ Route I would like to walk
- ✔ Good Spot
- ○ Problem Spot
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All the data (598 entries):
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The Good Stuff (184 entries):

The Bad Stuff (414 entries):
Good Spots (57 entries):

![Map showing good spots with legend for reasons]

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Place I Like to Walk to (43 entries):

- Library: 2%
- Bus Stop: 5%
- School: 7%
- Workplace: 9%
- Back & Forth, or in a Loop (for exercise/recreation/doing walking): 16%
- Store/Business/Restaurant: 26%
- Park/Recreational/Fitness Facility: 35%
Route I Like to Walk (84 entries):

- There are sidewalks!
- The distance between destinations is easy to walk
- Other pedestrians are friendly
- Sidewalks are wide enough
- Crossing the streets is easy
- The overall walking environment is good, with plenty of...
- None of these apply
- Sidewalk surfaces are smooth
- Other
- Sidewalks are clear of brush, debris, puddles, and/or snow
- Pedestrian signal(s) at the stoplight(s) works well
- Motorists are well behaved
- Street lighting at night is good
- Bicyclists are well behaved
- Curb ramps are plentiful and well built
Problem Spots (221 entries):

What makes this a problem spot? Check all that apply:

- There are no sidewalks: 67
- Crossing the street is difficult: 44
- Sidewalk surface is bumpy: 25
- Street lighting at night is poor: 11
- Motorists don't respect pedestrians: 11
- Sidewalk is full of brush, debris, puddles, and/or snow: 7
- Curb ramps are lacking and poorly built: 7
- The overall walking environment is poor, with a lace of...: 5
- Sidewalk is narrow: 5
- None of these apply: 1
- Pedestrian signal at the stoplight doesn't work well: 0
- Other pedestrians are unfriendly: 0
- Bicyclists don't respect pedestrians: 0
Place I Would Like to Walk to (62 entries):

- Bus Stop: 1%
- Government Building/Community Center: 2%
- Library: 2%
- Other: 2%
- Place of Worship: 2%
- Back & Forth, or in a Loop (for exercise/recreation/dog walking): 3%
- Friends and/or Relatives: 3%
- Museum/Concerts/Event Facility: 3%
- Workplace: 3%
- School: 11%
- Park/Recreational/Fitness Facility: 26%
- Store/Business/Restaurant: 42%
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Route I Would Like to Walk (131 entries):

Why don't you currently walk this route? Check all that apply:

- There are no sidewalks: 80
- Crossing the streets is difficult: 33
- Motorists don't respect pedestrians: 23
- Street lighting at night is poor: 20
- The overall walking environment is poor, with lack of...: 15
- Curb ramps are lacking and poorly built: 12
- Other: 10
- Sidewalk surfaces are bumpy: 8
- Sidewalks are full of brush, debris, puddles, and/or snow: 6
- Sidewalks are narrow: 6
- Pedestrian signal(s) at the stoplight(s) doesn't work well: 2
- Other pedestrians are unfriendly: 1
- None of these apply: 0
- Bicyclists don't respect pedestrians: 0