



January 6, 2020

Mario Giuliani
Economic Development Manager
The City of Benicia
250 East L Street
Benicia, CA 94501

Re: Downtown Benicia Parking Study
Walker Project No. 33-2921

Dear Mr. Giuliani:

Walker is pleased to submit the following **draft** report of our parking study for Downtown Benicia. We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to you on this project. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

WALKER CONSULTANTS

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chrissy Mancini Nichols".

Chrissy Mancini Nichols
Planning and Policy Consultant

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "S. Edwin".

Shannon Edwin
Planning Analyst



Downtown Benicia Parking Study

City of Benicia, CA

DRAFT

January 6, 2020

Prepared for:

The City of Benicia



WALKER
CONSULTANTS

Contents

Executive Summary	i
Existing Conditions	i
Community Outreach	v
Online Surveys	v
Community Workshops	vi
Future Parking Analysis	vi
Recommendations	vii
Pilot Projects	x
Introduction	2
Setting	2
Purpose of Study	4
Existing Conditions	6
Downtown Parking Supply	6
Parking Restrictions and Enforcement	9
Existing Parking Demand	10
Weekend Parking Occupancy	12
Weekday Parking Occupancy	14
Farmers Market E Street Lot	16
Where People Park	17
How Long Do People Park?	18
How Long Do People Park on First Street?	18
Lettered Streets Parking Turnover	20
Parking Wayfinding	22
Overall Downtown Access	22
2004 Study Comparison	24
Community Outreach	26
Online Survey One	26
Purpose and Frequency of Downtown Visits	26
Traveling to Downtown Benicia	27
Parking Downtown	27
Experience Once Parked Downtown	28
Comparisons to Other Downtowns in the Region	28
Flex Spaces/Parklets	29
Open-Ended Comments	29
Online Survey Two	31
Parking Issues	31
Parking Lot at East E and East 2 nd Street	32
Parking Solutions	32
Open-Ended Comments	33
Community Workshops	35
Future Parking Analysis	39
Shared Parking Model	41
Shared Parking Methodology	42
Future Parking Demand Results	46

Recommendations	50
Near-Term Recommendations	53
Enforcement	53
Employee Parking	54
<i>Employee Parking Management Plan</i>	56
<i>Education and Outreach</i>	56
Signage and Wayfinding	57
Additional ADA Spaces	58
Flex Space/Parklets	58
New Mobility and Alternative Modes of Travel	61
Medium-Term Recommendations	63
Paving Existing Public Lots	63
Opportunities for Additional Parking	63
Pickup/Drop-off Space	65
Special Event Parking	65
Long-Term Strategies	67
Bike Lanes on First Street	67
Pilot Projects	73
Appendix A – Parking Occupancy Counts	75
Appendix B – Online Survey Results	80

Figures and Tables

Figure 1: Benicia Proximity Map	2
Figure 2: Benicia Median Household Income	3
Figure 3: Benicia Population 2009-2017	3
Figure 4: City of Benicia Population Age Distribution	4
Figure 5: Distribution of Downtown Benicia Parking Supply	6
Figure 6: Study Area	8
Figure 7: Parking Limits	9
Figure 8: Weekend and Weekday Parking Demand	11
Figure 9: Weekend Peak Occupancy by Facility Type	12
Figure 10: Saturday Peak Utilization – Lunchtime	13
Figure 11: Weekday Parking Utilization by Facility Type	14
Figure 12: Tuesday Peak Utilization - Lunchtime	15
Figure 13: E Street Lot - Farmer's Market Evening	16
Figure 14: Farmer's Market E Street Lot Occupancy	16
Figure 15: First Street Parking Utilization by Hour	17
Figure 16: Percent of Vehicles Parked on First Street by Number of Hours	19
Figure 17: Existing Parking Wayfinding	22
Figure 18: Shared Lane Marking on First St	22
Figure 19: Example of ADA Spaces in Downtown Benicia	23
Figure 20: Why Respondents Visit Downtown	26
Figure 21: Time it Takes to Find Parking	27
Figure 22: Time Spent in Downtown Once Parked	28

Figure 23: Summary of Survey 1 Open-Ended Responses	30
Figure 24: Support of Parking Solutions.....	33
Figure 25: Summary of Survey 2 Open-Ended Responses	34
Figure 26: Where People Prefer to Park	36
Figure 27: "I Want Downtown Parking to Be" Exercise Results.....	37
Figure 28: "What Did We Miss?" Exercise.....	38
Figure 29: E Street Lot on a Typical Day.....	40
Figure 30: E Street Lot at East 2nd Street and East E Street	40
Figure 31: Downtown Benicia Hotel Conceptual Site Plan.....	43
Figure 32: Recommended Weekday Supply by Month.....	47
Figure 33: Recommended Weekday Supply by Hour.....	48
Figure 34: Example of Parking Wayfinding Signage	57
Figure 35: Parklet with Outdoor Seating and Bike Parking Example.....	59
Figure 36: Flex Space Example	60
Figure 37: Dockless Vehicle Parking Example	62
Figure 38: Example of Buffered Bike Lane	68
Figure 39: First Street Bikes Lanes Conceptual Mockup	69
Figure 40: Back-In Angle Parking with Bike Lanes Example - Windsor, CA.....	71
Figure 41: Back-in Angle Parking Example - San Francisco, CA	72
Figure 42: Back-In Parking Signage Example.....	73
Figure 43: Example of Bike Lane Pilot	74
Figure 44: Example of a Temporary Flex Space Using Astroturf and Lawn Furniture	74
Table 1: Parking Inventory Summary	7
Table 2: Downtown Parking Supply and Demand Summary	10
Table 3: First Street Parking Turnover Summary	19
Table 4: Lettered Streets Saturday Turnover	20
Table 5: Lettered Streets Tuesday Turnover	21
Table 6: Downtown Benicia Hotel Conceptual Land Uses.....	43
Table 7: Parking Rates by Land Use.....	44
Table 8: Driving Adjustments	45
Table 9: Non-captive Adjustments.....	46
Table 10: Weekday & Weekend Shared Parking Demand Summary	46
Table 11: Summary of Recommendations	51

Executive Summary

The City of Benicia engaged Walker Consultants to provide a comprehensive analysis of downtown parking. The intent of this study is to provide a summary of the existing parking conditions in downtown including the existing parking supply, weekday and weekend occupancy, existing regulations, and current parking management practices. The study also includes an analysis of the parking needs of potentially redeveloping the East E Street public parking lot into a hotel. The study also provides results of public outreach efforts including two online surveys and two community workshops.

The result of these activities is a list of recommended strategies in Section Five (5) of this report to assist the City in making improvements to downtown parking and plan for increased multi-modal activities downtown

Existing Conditions

Based on a review of the existing conditions analysis, major findings include:

- There are an estimated 1,706± parking spaces in the study area. This number includes 1,309± publicly available on-street spaces and 397± off-street spaces (166± public spaces and 231± private spaces).
- Peak parking demand occurred on a Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. with 963± vehicles parked, 618± spaces available, and a utilization rate of 56% for all on and off-street parking surveyed.
- Tuesday peak parking demand also occurred from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. with 924± parked vehicles, 782± spaces available, and a utilization rate of 54%.
- Off-street parking demand varied on both Saturday and Tuesday but was generally lower than on-street spaces.
- First Street experiences the highest parking demand with over 80% of spaces occupied throughout each analysis period on Saturday.
- During the Farmer's Market, in the E Street Public Lot, peak parking demand occurred at 6:00 p.m. with 107± vehicles parked.
- Turnover on First Street is relatively high, however, there are still a notable number of vehicles that are likely violating the 3-hour time limit (approximately 40 vehicles park for four or more hours on weekdays and weekends).
- Turnover on the lettered side streets varies with lower turnover in comparison to First Street.
- Parking on First Street is time limited to 3-hours, however, according to the City, parking regulations are currently not enforced. None of the parking spaces are metered or paid.
- Parking wayfinding is currently provided via directional signs indicating the direction of travel for public parking. Most signs are directing visitors to angled street parking, which may present some confusion if visitors anticipate a public lot. Signs also appear small and faded.

- Access to downtown is also provided via an existing bike route (indicated by shared lane markings on First Street) and limited Solano Transit service. Generally, downtown is most accessible by vehicle.
- There is a limited amount of ADA parking available downtown.
- When compared to the 2004 study, major findings were similar, with some increase in both parking supply and demand.

ES Table 1 provides a summary of the parking inventory and peak occupancy for both the weekend and weekday peak.

ES Table 1: Parking Inventory and Occupancy Summary

	Inventory	Occupancy		Utilization		Availability	
		Sat	Tues	Sat	Tues	Sat	Tues
On-Street	1,309	839	778	64%	59%	346	531
Off-Street	397	124	146	31%	37%	273	251
Total	1,706	963	924	56%	54%	619	782

Source: Walker Consultants, 2019

ES Figure 1 graphically shows the peak parking occupancy experienced on Saturday and ES Figure 2 shows the Tuesday peak.

ES Figure 1: Saturday Peak Utilization - Lunchtime



Source: Satellite image, *Google Earth Professional*, 2019; Graphics, *Walker Consultants*, 2019

ES Figure 2: Weekday Peak Utilization - Lunchtime



Source: Satellite image, Google Earth Professional, 2019; Graphics, Walker Consultants, 2019

Community Outreach

A series of public outreach and engagement efforts were designed to gather input on the views and needs of residents, business owners, employees, and visitors in regard to parking downtown. Two individual online surveys were issued, as well as two workshops, to gather information on the parking needs, issues, and challenges experienced by community members.

Online Surveys

A summary of major findings of the online surveys include:

- The majority of respondents visit a few times a week or every day and typically visit to dine, walk around, and shop, or a combination of these activities.
- Most respondents live within three miles of downtown or in downtown and 81% of respondents said they drive to access downtown.
- Most respondents reported being able to park within two blocks of their destination and indicated that they are able to find parking relatively quickly (immediately or within two to five minutes).
- The most important factor when choosing where to park in downtown was parking within one to two blocks of their destination. Secondly, finding parking quickly and easily, even if they have to park further away.
- The majority of respondents said they visit downtown for one to two hours and once parked, walk between destinations. Over 90% said that downtown has a comfortable and safe walking environment.
- The top three parking issues in downtown selected were: 1) Lack of public parking lots, 2) lack of on-street parking near or at a destination during peak hours, 3) lack of special event parking.
- Existing features that make parking easy and convenient to find include: 1) On a typical non-event day, parking is available downtown, sometimes a few blocks away from their destination, 2) plenty of available parking on side streets and off-street lots, 3) lack of meters make parking easier.
- When asked about the E Street Public Lot, results were evenly split with 50% of respondents saying that yes, they do park in this lot, and the other half indicating that they don't. Respondents noted they park there for special events, farmer's market, every time they visit downtown, certain restaurants, and when parking cannot be found in other locations.
- When asked what parking solutions they would support, the most selected options were: "Improve directional signage to available public parking", "I don't think parking is an issue in Downtown Benicia", "Create employee parking areas", "Share private parking lots with the public", and "create more accessible parking for people with disabilities."
- Other downtowns that respondents said they enjoy include: Yountville, Martinez, and Lafayette as well as Walnut Creek, Pleasant Hill, and Sonoma.
- Respondents were asked where they believed the best location would be for the flex space or parklet, over one-half said they would prefer not to have a flex space but rather maintain parking. For those supportive of potential flex space, they said on the ideal location is on First Street followed by Benicia Point.

- A summary of open-ended comments include:
 - Opposition to charging for parking.
 - Lack of parking for employees, long-term parkers, and too many spaces on First Street being used by these groups.
 - A desire for more parking enforcement.
 - Lack of sufficient ADA parking.
 - Desire for more parking in downtown and marking spaces on side streets or adding new angled parking.
 - Issues with commercial parking spilling over into residential parking.
 - There are no parking issues in downtown, the City should invest in road repairs and sidewalk/pedestrian improvements.
 - Paving existing public dirt lots.

Community Workshops

Walker, in partnership with the City, presented the existing conditions data collected and major findings, as well as general information on parklets and where available parking exists in Benicia. In order to gather perceptions of parking within downtown from the community, business owners and community members were given the opportunity to participate in multiple activities. There were two workshops for this study.

Community members were asked to share where they prefer to park, areas they avoid parking, and how far they would be willing to park and walk to First Street. In general, community members shared that they prefer to park on First Street and will avoid the unpaved public lot on East B Street due to its uneven terrain and dust.

In general, community members shared concerns about employees parking on First Street, not having enough parking in downtown, not enough ADA parking, and concern over the potential loss of the East B Street lot, especially during special events.

Future Parking Analysis

The City of Benicia owns approximately two acres at a site on East E Street and Second Street. The site currently serves as an unpaved parking lot primarily used for overflow parking during special events such as Farmer's Market Thursdays or Fourth of July. The lot is largely unused during typical weekdays and weekends (with the capacity to park approximately 118 vehicles).

On a typical Thursday Farmer's Market evening, the East E Street lot is approximately 90% utilized at the peak, with 107± vehicles parked.

Given that the site goes unused most of the year, the City has considered various development scenarios for the parcel. A Broker Opinion of Value Study conducted by Transwestern found the site has the potential for a hotel that could take advantage of business and tourism visitors.

The development assumptions for the hotel included 125 rooms (38 leisure guests and 87 business), 1,600 square feet of meeting space, and 1,000 square feet of restaurant/lounge space.

To determine how the potential development could impact parking in downtown and the need for parking a new use, Walker conducted an assessment of future demand. Walker utilized the Walker/Urban Land Institute’s (ULI) Shared Parking Model to project the recommended future supply for the hotel development.

Based on the Shared Parking methodology (details provided in the body of this report), the overall peak is expected to occur in April at 9:00 p.m., at which 117± parking spaces are recommended to serve the potential future uses. A summary of the weekday and weekend peaks are shown ES Table 2.

ES Table 2: Estimated Weekday and Weekend Parking Demand for Potential Hotel

	Estimated Weekday Parking Demand	Estimated Weekend Parking Demand
Hotel Guests	113	110
Employees	4	7
Total	117	117

Source: Walker Consultants, 2019

Recommendations

Based on the existing conditions analysis, review of public outreach results, and parking best practices, Walker developed the following near, mid, and long-term recommendations for parking and transportation improvements in downtown Benicia. These recommendations take a comprehensive and holistic approach to planning for parking and transportation in downtown Benicia.

Recommendations are categorized along the following timeline:

- **Near-Term:** Strategies that can be implemented in the next six months to one year.
- **Medium-Term:** Strategies and infrastructure that can be implemented within one to two years.
- **Long-Term:** Strategies and infrastructure that can be implemented over the next five years or more, some of which coincide with City development (for example developing the East E Street parking lot).

ES Table 3 provides a summary of recommendations presented in this report. Additional details for each recommendation are provided in the body of the report.

ES Table 3: Summary of Recommendations

Timeframe	Strategy	Implementation	Goals
Near-Term (6 months to 1 year)	Enforcement	Parking Ambassadors Program	Enforce 3-hr. time limit on First Street in a customer service-oriented manner, increase the turnover of spaces and parking capacity, deter long-term parkers from using customer spaces
	Regulations	Retain existing 3-hr. time limit	Provides sufficient time to accommodate the majority of downtown visitors' various activities, dining, shopping, and walking along the waterfront
		Continue providing some short-term 30-minute spaces	Allow convenient parking for quick visits. There is currently an adequate number of these spaces
	Employee Parking Plan	Implement an employee parking program -Park employees in underutilized parking -Create an Employee Parking Management Plan	Preserves the most in-demand parking areas on First Street for customers and visitors
	Shared Parking	Public-private partnerships with private lots for employee and special event parking	Maximize all the space (public and private) dedicated to parking in downtown Benicia
	Wayfinding	Update parking signage and wayfinding with larger, more prominent signs	Directs visitors to available parking, increases parking ease and convenience, reduces circling
	New Mobility	Partner with Sol Trans or the Solano County Transportation Authority to implement docked bikeshare or dockless bike or scooter share program	Promote alternative modes of transportation and reduce the need for parking
	ADA Parking	Provide more ADA spaces on and near First Street	Provide adequate parking for all users
Parklets	Implement a parklet or flex space program	Create a comfortable pedestrian environment and encourage walking, promote economic development	

Timeframe	Strategy	Implementation	Goals
	Pave existing parking lots	Pave existing parking lots to create a more comfortable environment for parkers -East B & East E Street Lots (if no development)	Encourage the utilization of existing parking facilities
Mid-term (1 to 2 years)	Additional parking	Create angled parking on East D, F, and H Streets (gain roughly 124± new parking spaces)	Create additional parking capacity
	Curb Management	Create pick-up and drop-off space for Transportation Network Companies (Uber and Lyft) when TNC activities increase	Promote safety
	Bicycle Infrastructure	Reconfigure First Street to include bike lanes	Promote alternative modes of transportation and reduce the need for parking
Long-term (3 to 5 years)	Event Parking	If the City develops the East E Street Lot, an event parking plan should be developed -Public-private partnerships to share parking with private facilities -Direct event parkers to underutilized streets and lots	Maximize all of the space (public and private) dedicated to parking in Downtown Benicia
	Back-in Angle Parking	Consider reconfiguring First Street to back-in angle parking with bike lanes	Provide more parking on First Street while improving bike and pedestrian friendliness and safety; encourage travel by other non-auto modes

Source: Walker Consultants, 2019

Pilot Projects

One of the most effective methods of presenting new treatment options on the roadway is to organize a pilot program and test of the proposed changes, such as parklets and bike lanes. This would include a temporary installation of the proposed treatment.

Potential pilot projects include:

- Testing flex with businesses and other entities space for a six to nine-month trial.
- Setting temporary bike lanes using paint, traffic cones, and/or plastic removable bollards to evaluate needs, use, and any issues before permanent implementation.
- A one-year parking ambassador program to determine the effect in moving long-term parkers off of First Street.

Phasing an employee parking plan with ten businesses to understand where employees park and evaluate effect before rolling out downtown-wide

DRAFT

The background of the page is an abstract composition of overlapping geometric shapes in various shades of teal, blue, and light cyan. The shapes are layered, creating a sense of depth and movement. The colors transition from darker blues and teals at the top to lighter, almost white tones at the bottom. The overall effect is modern and clean.

01 Introduction

Introduction

The City of Benicia engaged Walker Consultants (“Walker”) to conduct a comprehensive downtown parking study. This includes an overview of the existing parking conditions, future parking demand, and recommendations for improvements. This report outlines the recommended near, mid, and long-term strategies to create an efficient and convenient parking program as well as plan for future mobility improvements.

This report includes the following sections:

- Section 1: Introduction
- Section 2: Existing Conditions
- Section 3: Stakeholder Outreach
- Section 4: Future Demand Analysis
- Section 5: Recommendations

The combination of these sections provides an in-depth analysis of the existing parking system in Benicia, impacts of potential future development, and a detailed list of recommendations.

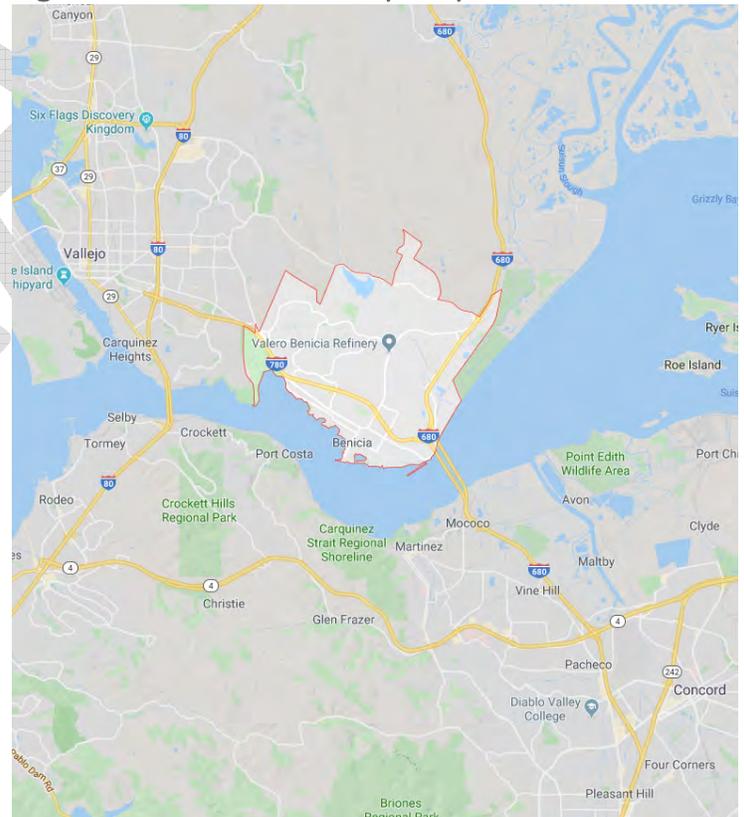
Setting

Benicia is a waterside city located in Solano County in the North Bay Area region of the San Francisco Bay Area. The City borders the Carquinez Strait, providing scenic ocean views along the coastal downtown. The City of Benicia has a total population of approximately 28,011.¹

Benicia has a rich history, having served briefly as California’s third state capital in the 1800s. Benicia hosts various community events for its visitors and residents, including holiday celebrations, plays at the local theatre, a Classic Car show, and a farmer’s market every Thursday evening. Additionally, within Benicia exists a vibrant art community, with hundreds of artists and studios all over the city.

As shown in Figure 1, Benicia is accessible from the I-680 to the south, and the I-780 from the north. The Amtrak runs through the city, and the nearest station is located in Martinez.

Figure 1: Benicia Proximity Map

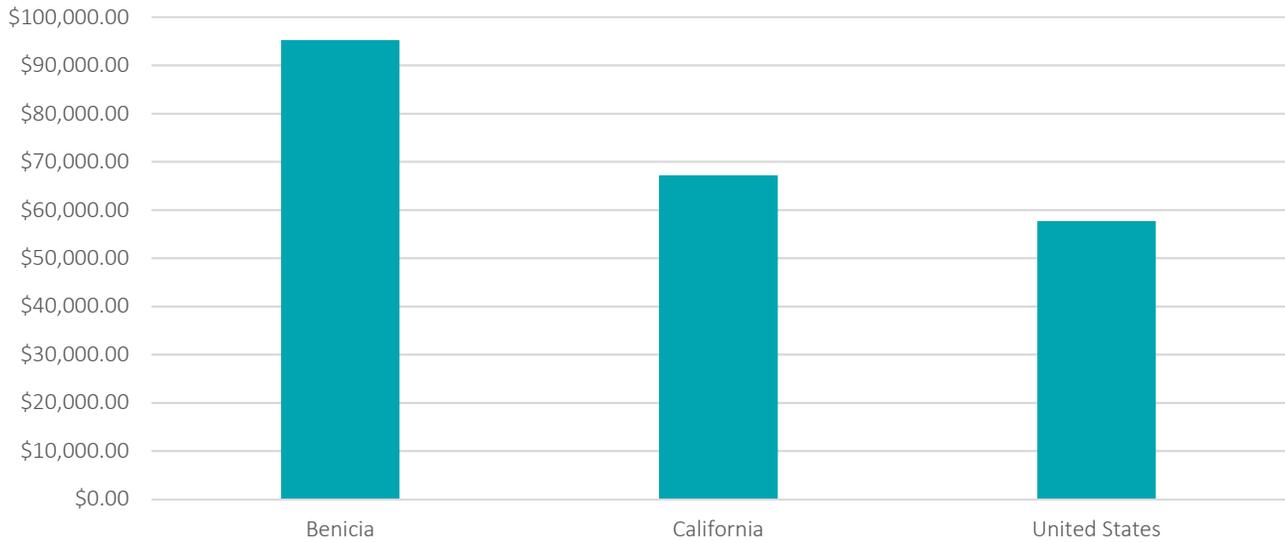


Source: Google Maps, 2019

¹ U.S. Census, American Community Survey 2017.

There are an estimated 11,186 households in the City of Benicia. The median household income is \$95,225. Benicia is relatively wealthy in comparison to the median household income in California, \$67,169 and in the United States, \$ 57,652, as shown below in Figure 2.

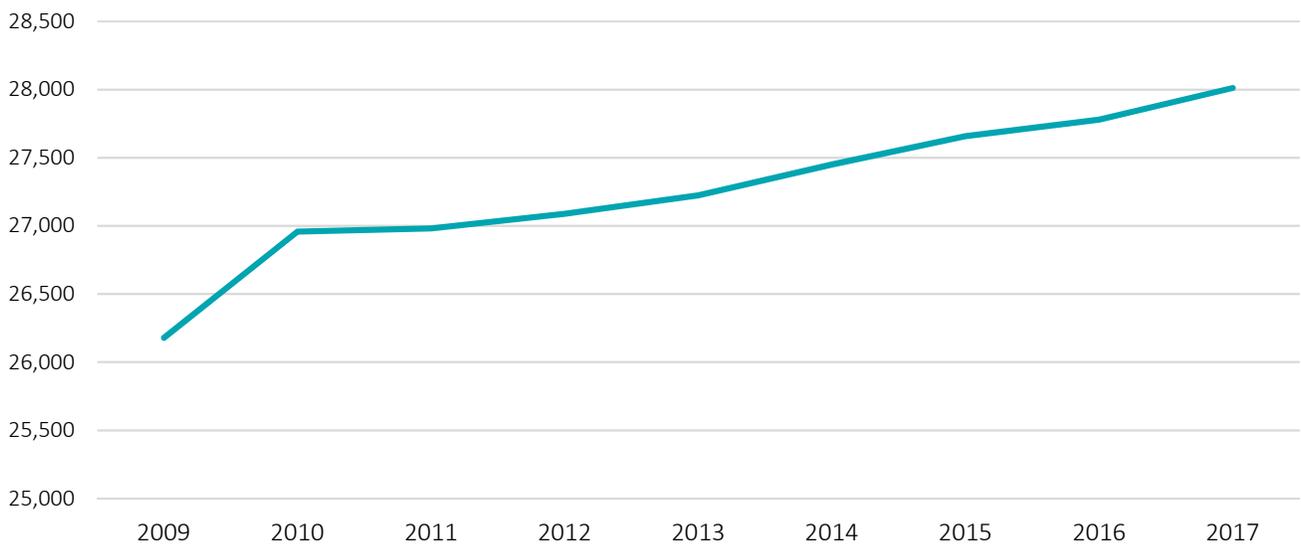
Figure 2: Benicia Median Household Income



Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey, 2017

As shown in Figure 3, Benicia has experienced a slight population increase in the recent decade. The city has experienced a population growth of seven percent since 2009.

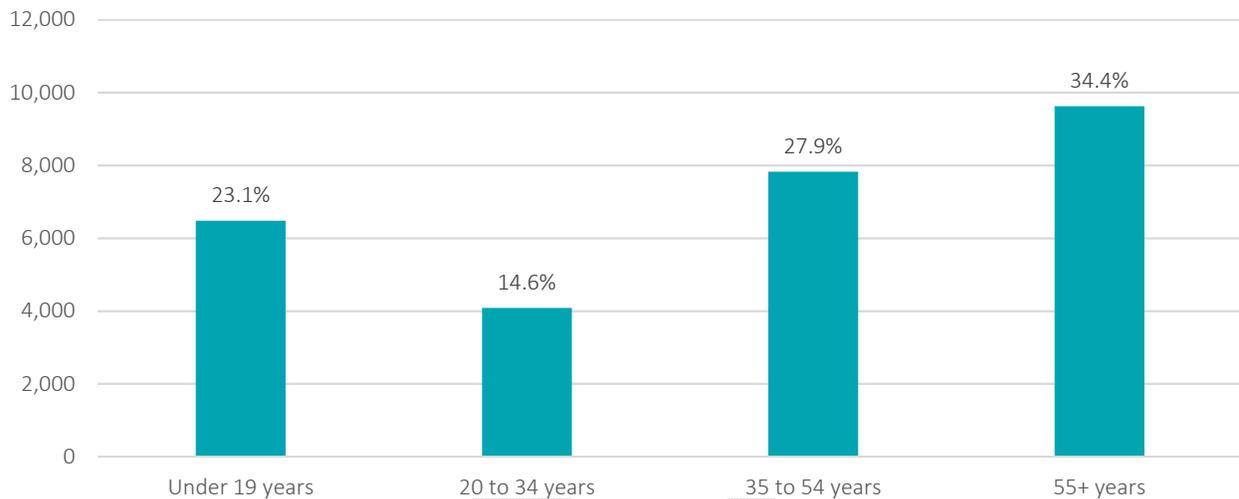
Figure 3: Benicia Population 2009-2017



Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey, 2017

Over 34% of the population of Benicia is over the age of 55, indicating a relatively older population. Figure 5 shows a breakdown of the age distribution in Benicia.

Figure 4: City of Benicia Population Age Distribution



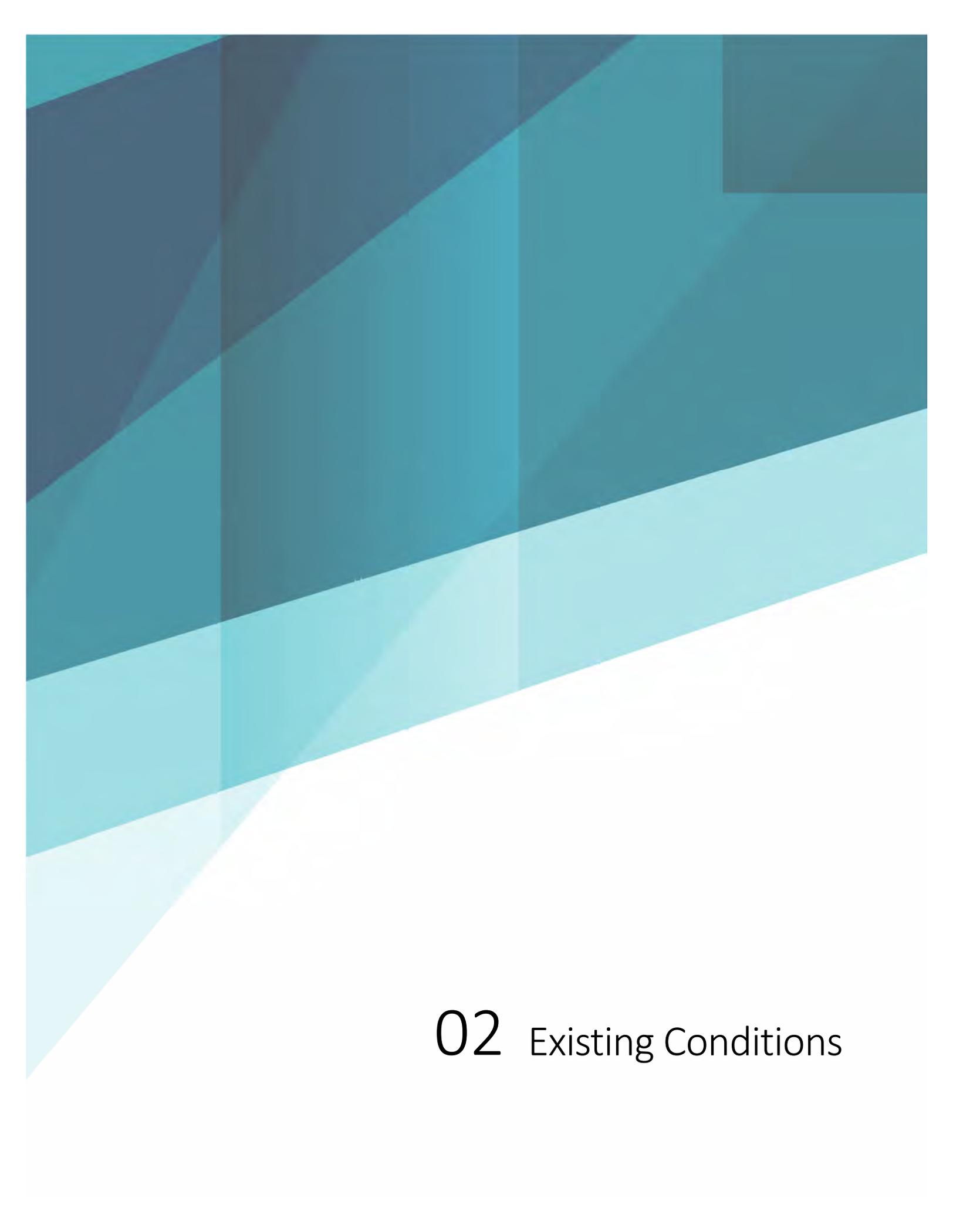
Source: U.S. Census American Community Survey, 2017

Purpose of Study

The City of Benicia engaged Walker Consultants to provide a comprehensive analysis of their downtown parking. The intent of this study is to provide a summary of the existing parking conditions in downtown including the existing parking supply, weekday and weekend occupancy, existing regulations, and current parking management practices. The study also provides an analysis of the parking needs of potentially redeveloping the East E Street public parking lot into a hotel. The study also provides results of public outreach efforts including two online surveys and two community workshops.

The result of these activities is a list of recommended strategies in Section Five (5) of this report to assist the City in making improvements to downtown parking and plan for increased multi-modal activities downtown.

A previous study was conducted in 2004 by Fehr & Peers. This study serves as an update to the 2004 study and is based on the same study area to provide consistency.

The background of the page is an abstract composition of overlapping geometric shapes in various shades of teal and blue. The shapes are primarily triangles and quadrilaterals, creating a sense of depth and movement. The colors range from a light, almost white teal to a dark, deep blue. The overall effect is modern and clean.

02 Existing Conditions

Existing Conditions

Downtown Parking Supply

In downtown Benicia, there is an estimated supply of 1,706± parking spaces available to the general public. This includes 1,309± publicly available on-street spaces and 397± off-street spaces. These off-street spaces include 166± public spaces and 231± private spaces (i.e. customer or employee parking only).² It is noted that additional private off-street is available within the downtown area but was not included as part of this inventory. A visualization of this distribution is shown in Figure 5.

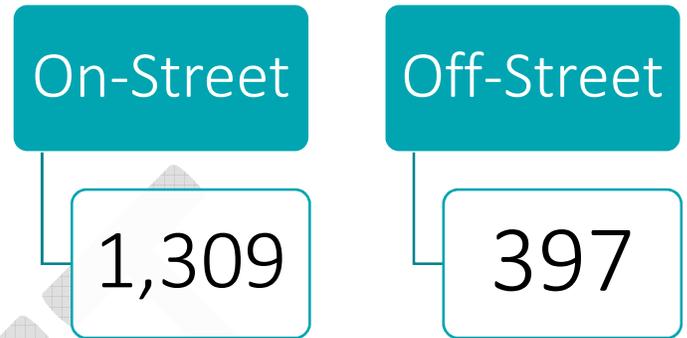
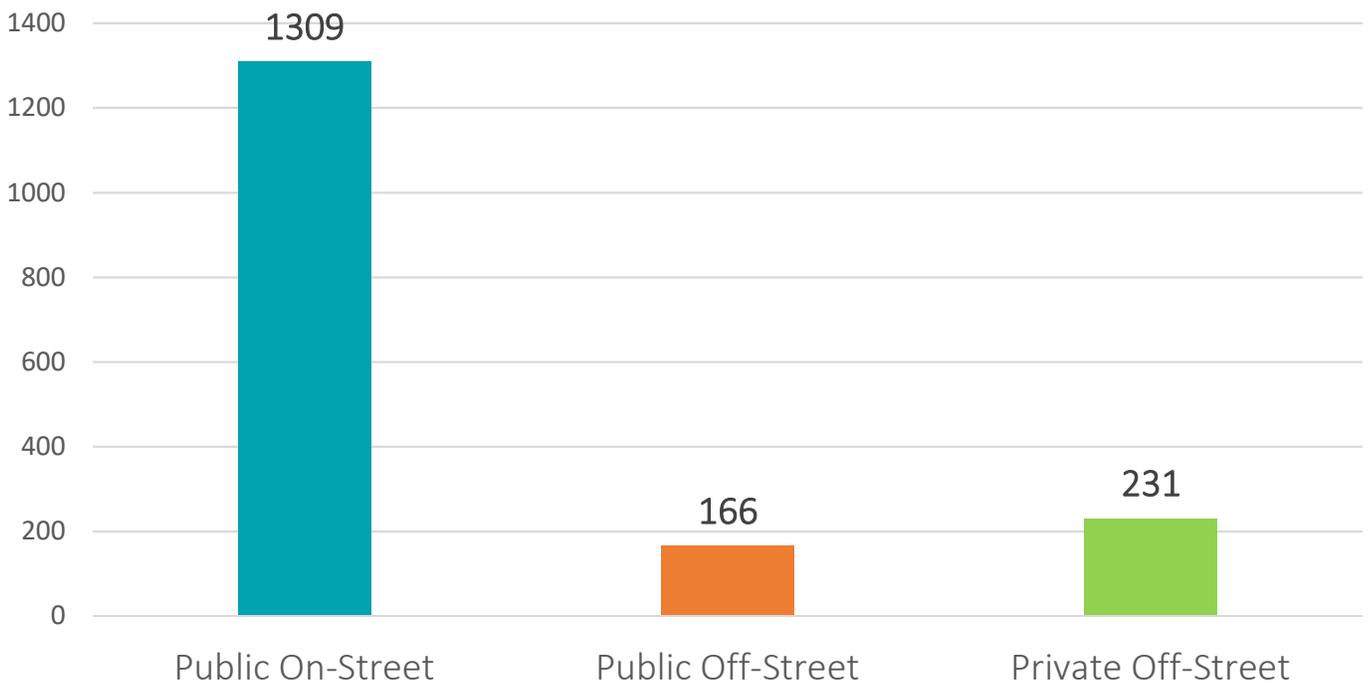


Figure 5: Distribution of Downtown Benicia Parking Supply



² To provide consistency between the two studies and have the opportunity to compare findings, the study area includes the same parking facilities studied in a 2004 parking study conducted by Fehr & Peers. Walker collected parking inventory data in the study area, including on-street spaces, public off-street, as well as some private off-street lots on June 22 and 25, 2019. Some private off-street lots were not included in the study.

A summary of the parking inventory collected is provided in Table 1.

Table 1: Parking Inventory Summary

On-Street	Number of Spaces	Off-Street	Number of Spaces
First Street	225	(1) ¹ West I St Lot	24
First Street Pier	65	(2) West H St Lot	29
West 2 nd Street	87	(3) East H Lot	13
East 2 nd Street	205	(4) West F St North	15
West J St	49	(5) West F St Lot South	21
East J St	44	(6) West F St Customer Lot	9
West I St	49	(7) F St Lot Customer Only	92
East I St	49	(8) Public E Street Lot	118 ²
West H St	56	(9) East D St Permit Lot	27
East H St	46	(10) Public East B St Lot	51 ²
West G St	52		
East G St	49		
West F St	73		
East F St	68		
West E St	29		
East E St	25		
West D St	29		
East D St	55		
West C St	19		
East B St	35		
Subtotals	1,309		
Total Supply	1,706		

¹Lots were numbered for data collection purposes. These are not City designated labels.

²These lots are unpaved and unmarked therefore supplies were estimated based on size of lot and occupancies observed.

The study area inventoried is shown in Figure 6.

Figure 6: Study Area



Source: Satellite image, Google Earth Professional, 2019; Graphics, Walker Consultants, 2019

Parking Restrictions and Enforcement

Currently, parking on First Street has a posted time-limit of three-hours from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Additionally, there are some 30-minute spaces marked on First Street. Lettered side-streets (e.g. East J Street, West E Street, etc.) and off-street public facilities are currently unrestricted. Based on conversations with the City, parking regulations are currently not enforced. An example of the three-hour and 30-minute parking limits on First Street are shown in Figure 7.

Figure 7: Parking Limits



Source: Walker Consultants, 2019

Existing Parking Demand

Walker evaluated parking demand in downtown Benicia by conducting weekend and weekday parking occupancy counts on Saturday, June 22, and Tuesday, June 25, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The results of the occupancy counts revealed that peak parking demand occurred during lunch time, 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., on Saturday with 56% of spaces utilized. Weekday peak parking demand also occurred at lunchtime, between 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m., with 54% of spaces occupied. Parking occupancy counts from each time period collected are provided in Appendix A. Table 2 provides a summary of the downtown parking supply and peak demand.

Table 2: Downtown Parking Supply and Peak Demand Summary, 12:00 – 2:00 PM

	Inventory	Occupancy		Utilization		Availability	
		Sat	Tues	Sat	Tues	Sat	Tues
On-Street	1,309	839	778	64%	59%	346	531
Off-Street	397	124	146	31%	37%	273	251
Total	1,706	963	924	56%	54%	619	782

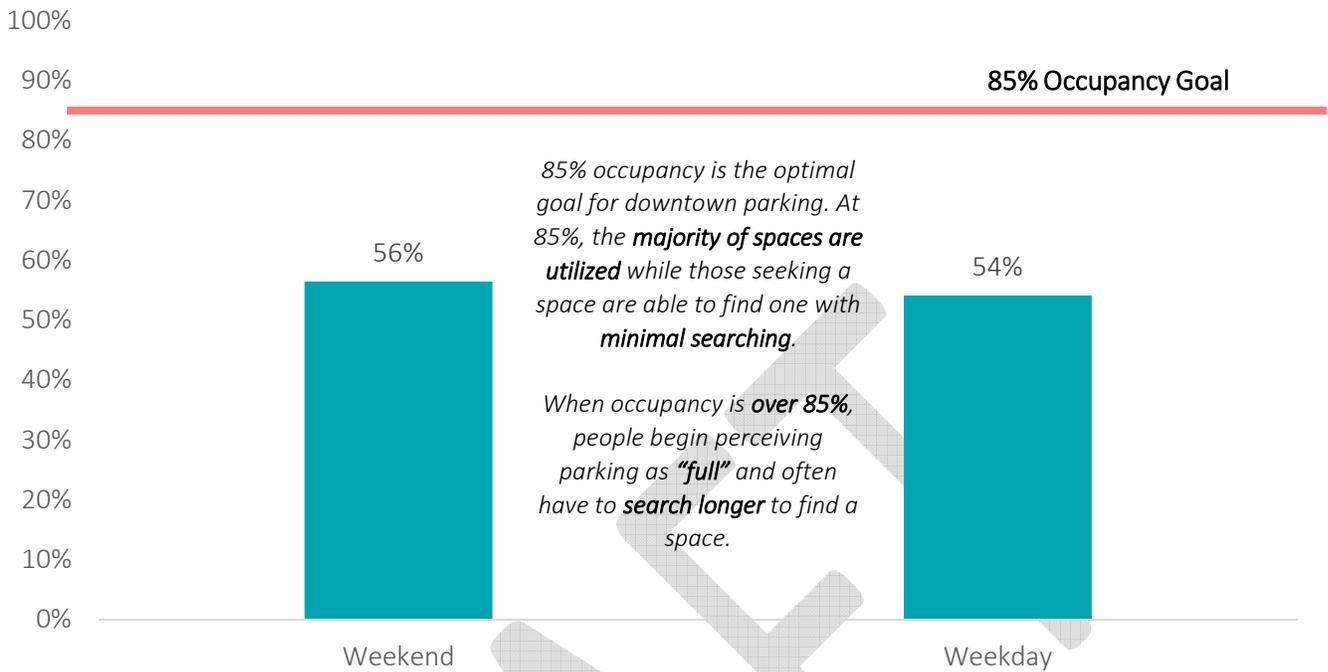
Note: "Sat" = Saturday, "Tues" = Tuesday

The overall downtown parking utilization would be considered relatively low in comparison to typical occupancy goals. An 85% utilization rate is the typical target for most parking systems in order to ensure the majority of spaces are being utilized while adequate availability remains for those seeking a space.

In general, when parking facilities experience occupancies greater than 85%, users begin to perceive parking as "full" and are likely to spend more time circling to find a space. At 85%, the majority of spaces are being utilized but those seeking a space are able to find one with minimal searching. Therefore, 85% is typically used as a target for optimal parking occupancy.

Figure 8 shows a summary of the peak weekend and weekday parking utilization.

Figure 8: Weekend and Weekday Parking Demand



Source: Walker Consultants, 2019

Details for both weekend and weekday demand are provided in the following sections.

Weekend Parking Occupancy

Weekend peak parking demand in the study area occurred from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. with 963± vehicles parked, 743± spaces available, and a utilization rate of 56%.

- During the peak, 56% of the on-street spaces were utilized and 31% of the off-street spaces were occupied.
- First Street (excluding the spaces on the waterfront at Benicia Point) experienced the highest parking demand.
- During the overall peak:
 - First Street experienced an occupancy of 89%
 - The lettered side streets were 74% occupied
 - West Second Street was 21% occupied
 - East Second Street had an occupancy of 32%
 - The off-street parking supply was 31% occupied
 - Public off-street parking was 19% utilized and private was 40% utilized

First Street experienced a notably higher parking demand than other downtown areas. First Street, in general, was over 85% occupied throughout the day (10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.,) with peak demand occurring from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. when 93% of spaces were occupied. Additionally, at the time of counts, Lot G, a private lot located on East H St, was entirely occupied by an outdoor concert. The lot was counted as “full” to provide a more conservative estimate.

Figure 9: Weekend Peak Occupancy by Facility Type

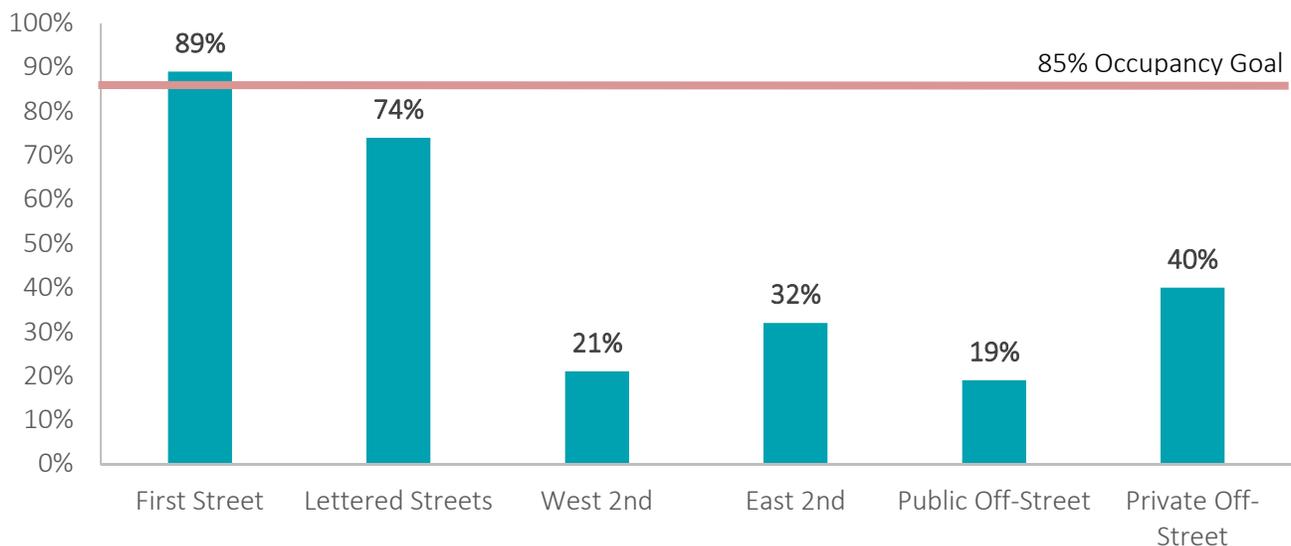


Figure 10 provides a map illustrating the parking occupancy experienced during the weekend peak hour.

Figure 10: Saturday Peak Utilization – Lunchtime



Source: Satellite image, Google Earth Professional, 2019; Graphics, Walker Consultants, 2019

Weekday Parking Occupancy

Weekday peak parking occupancy also occurred from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. with 924± parked vehicles, 782± spaces available, and a utilization rate of 54%.

- First Street also experienced the highest parking occupancy on weekdays.
- During the peak:
 - First Street (excluding the waterfront spaces to the south, near Benicia Point) was 80% occupied
 - The lettered side streets were 68% occupied
 - West Second Street was 16% occupied
 - East Second Street was 37% occupied
 - Off-Street lots were 37% occupied
 - Public off-street parking was 20% utilized and private off-street parking was 48% utilized

Additionally, some spaces on the west side of First Street were blocked throughout the day by cones due to tree maintenance occurring on the day of counts. These spaces were considered to be full in order to provide a more conservative analysis.

Figure 11: Weekday Parking Utilization by Facility Type

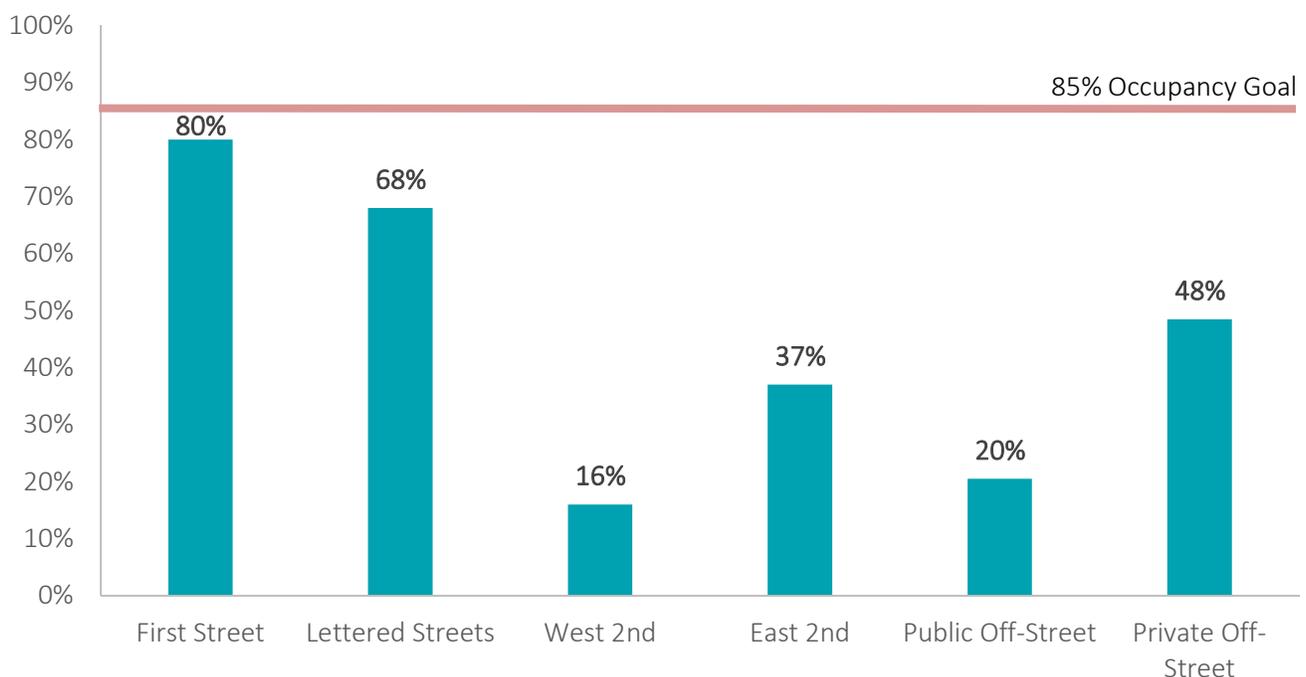


Figure 12 provides a map showing Tuesday parking utilization during peak parking demand.

Figure 12: Tuesday Peak Utilization - Lunchtime



Source: Satellite image, Google Earth Professional, 2019; Graphics, Walker Consultants, 2019

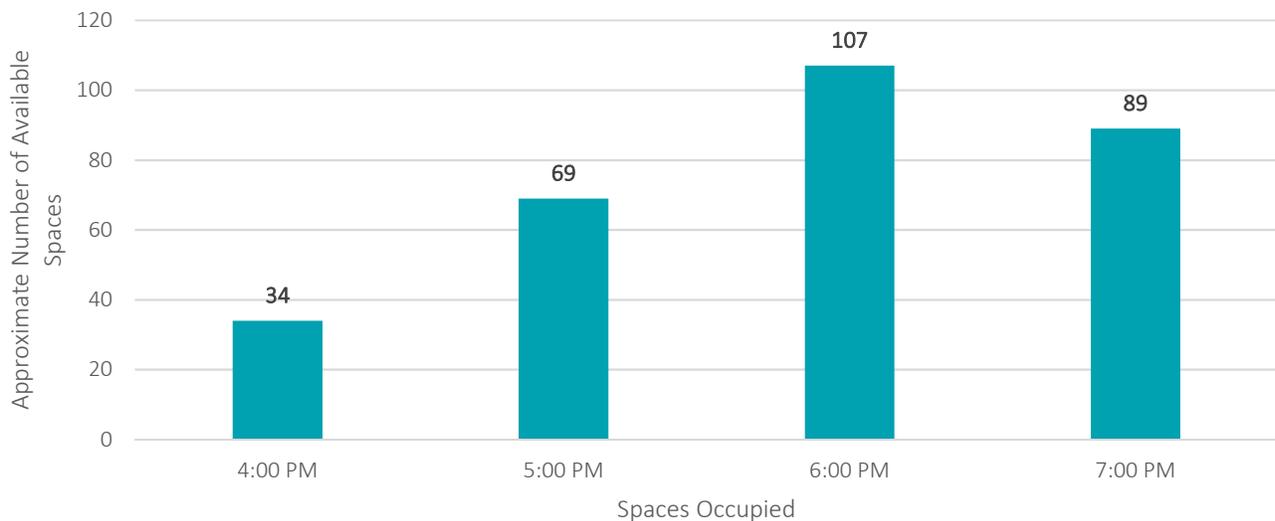
Farmers Market E Street Lot

Parking occupancy counts were also collected at the E Street Lot (Lot 8 on the map), which is heavily utilized during Thursday night Farmer’s Markets when a portion of First Street is blocked. Occupancy counts were collected every hour on June 27, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Peak parking demand occurred at 6:00 p.m. with 107± vehicles parked. Since this lot is unpaved, the exact parking supply is unknown. Based on observations during occupancy counts, it appeared that the lot was at least 90% occupied at 6:00 p.m. during peak demand. Figure 13 shows the E Street lot during a Farmer’s Market Thursday and Figure 14 provides a summary of the parking occupancy counts collected.

Figure 13: E Street Lot - Farmer's Market Evening



Figure 14: Farmer's Market E Street Lot Occupancy

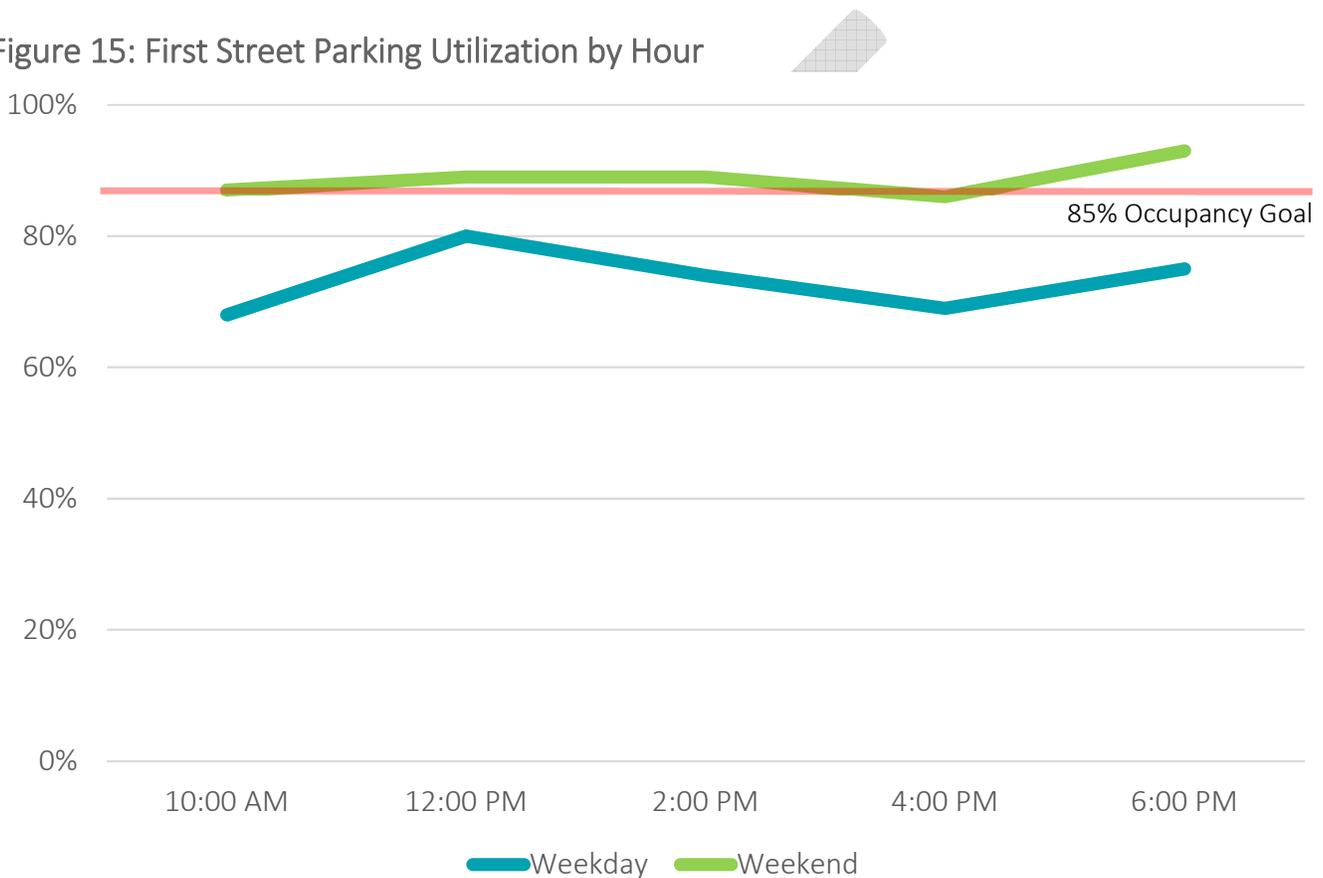


Where People Park

Overall, there is higher demand for parking downtown on the weekend than on the weekday, especially on First Street.

- On the weekend, First Street remained over 80% occupied through the entire analysis period but experienced some dips in utilization on the weekday. Figure 15 shows a comparison of the weekend and weekday parking utilization on First Street.

Figure 15: First Street Parking Utilization by Hour



- On both the weekend and weekday, peak parking demand occurred during lunch time between 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.
- The most public parking availability was on West Second Street and East Second Street as well as the public off-street lots (Lot 8 & 10) and near the waterfront towards Benicia Point.
- The private off-street lots also experienced lower occupancies.
- Most of the lettered side streets, primarily bordering residential land uses, experienced moderate to high occupancies on both the weekday and weekend, with overall utilization ranging from 60% to 75%. Some specific lettered streets experienced higher occupancies during the peak period.

How Long Do People Park?

Many of the on-street spaces in the study area have a three-hour time limit. Time limits are useful to ensure the most convenient on-street spaces are available for short term stays and turnover to allow more people to park throughout the day, increasing the capacity of the parking system, thereby increasing the convenience and access to First Street.

To understand how often parked cars leave a space, or, turnover, a license plate inventory (LPI) was collected in two-hour intervals from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (5 counts) on Saturday, June 22, and Tuesday, June 25, 2019, for all on-street spaces and public off-street spaces (Lot 8 & Lot 10). East and West Second Street were not included as occupancies were found to be consistently low throughout the analysis period. It is assumed that in general, the vehicles that do park on these perimeter streets are residents in the area and therefore parking spaces have lower turnover.

The LPI inventory was conducted by collecting the last four digits of any license plate within the study area. An LPI assists in understanding how long a vehicle is parked in a space, if there are areas with low turnover, and/or if cars are parked longer than the hourly time limits posted.

Over five counts, 2,035 unique license plates were collected on Saturday and 1,915 on Tuesday.

How Long Do People Park on First Street?

Since First Street has a posted time-limit of three hours, the parking turnover analysis reveals the number the vehicles violating the time limit. Vehicles present for one count were likely parked for one or two hours, while those parked for two counts were there from two to four hours. Those parking for more than two counts were likely parked in a space on First Street for over four hours.

Based on the LPI data collected:

- On both days, the majority of parkers were counted once, indicating they were parked in the space for only one to two hours (81% of vehicles on Saturday and 79% of vehicles on Tuesday were counted once).
- While the majority of vehicles parking on First Street only stay for an hour or two, there are still many vehicles violating the three-hour limit.
 - On Saturday there were 41_± vehicles parked for at least four or more hours (24 for three counts, 12 for four counts, and five for five counts).
 - On Saturday 40_± of the 225_± spaces or 18% were occupied for four or more hours.
 - On Tuesday, there were 37_± cars parked for at least four or more hours (21_± for three counts, 10_± for four counts, and 6_± for five counts).
 - On Tuesday 37_± of the 225_± spaces or 17% were occupied for four or more hours

- 108± vehicles were present for two counts on Saturday and 74± on Tuesday, indicating they were parked in the same space for two to four hours. While some may have left before the three-hour time limit was over, a portion was likely exceeding their stay by at least an hour.
- Parkers observed time limits in the 30-minute spaces on First Street. There were no vehicles parked in a 30-minute space that was counted more than once, indicating that those parking in 30-minute spaces were likely adhering to the limit.

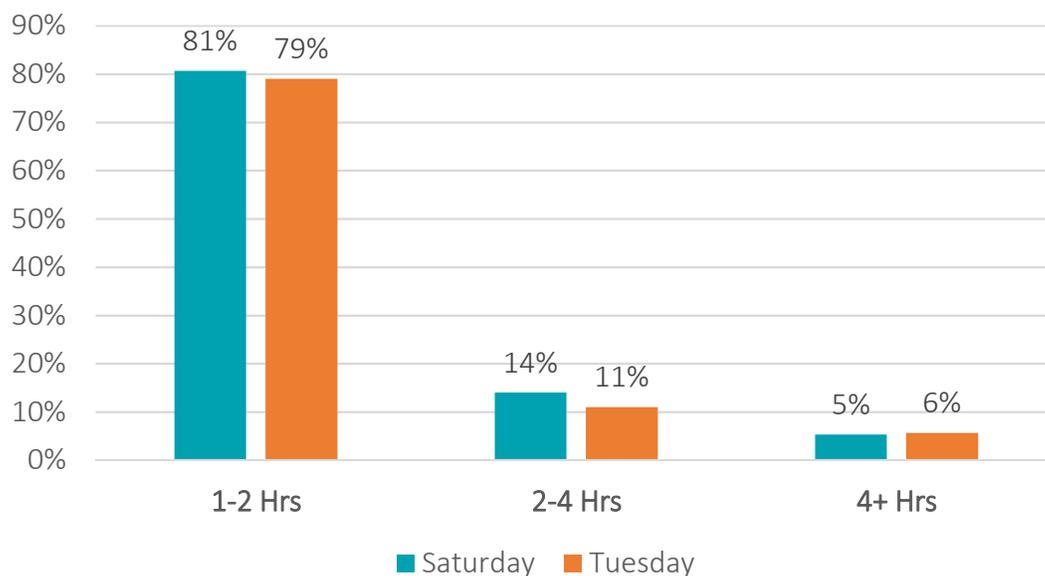
Table 3 provides a summary of the LPI data collected on First Street on Saturday and Sunday. Figure 16 shows the data graphically.

Table 3: First Street Parking Turnover Summary

	1 Count (1-2 Hours)	2 Counts (2-4 Hours)	3 Counts (4-6 Hours)	4 Counts (6-8 Hours)	5 Counts (8-10 Hours)	Total
SATURDAY						
Number of Plates	623	108	24	12	5	772
Percent of Total	81%	14%	3%	2%	1%	
TUESDAY						
Number of Plates	546	74	21	10	6	657
Percent of Total	79%	11%	3%	1%	1%	

Note: Percentages rounded to the nearest whole number.
 Source: Walker Consultants, 2019

Figure 16: Percent of Vehicles Parked on First Street by Number of Hours



Source: Walker Consultants, 2019

Lettered Streets Parking Turnover

The side streets are unrestricted and in general, experienced lower turnover in comparison to First Street. On the lettered side streets, 54% were parked for one to two hours and the remaining for two or more hours. Table 4 provides a summary of the LPI data collected on Saturday.

Table 4: Lettered Streets Saturday Turnover

	1 Count (1-2 Hours)	2 Counts (2-4 Hours)	3 Counts (4-6 Hours)	4 Counts (6-8 Hours)	5 Counts (8-10 Hours)	Total
East B St	37	13	3	6	7	66
East D St	67	18	17	4	7	113
East E St	25	10	4	4	2	45
East F St	63	14	12	4	9	102
East G St	47	13	17	2	17	96
East H St	44	13	7	5	10	79
East I St	34	12	10	7	12	75
East J St	45	7	3	1	12	68
West C St	16	3	4	5	5	33
West D St ¹	16	15	0	0	0	31
West E St	57	16	4	2	2	83
West F St	36	13	6	2	23	80
West G St	49	13	7	5	10	84
West H St	70	24	7	6	11	118
West I St	26	11	10	9	13	69
West J St	30	25	8	7	10	80
Total	662	220	119	69	150	1,222
Percent of Total	54%	18%	10%	6%	12%	

¹Only two counts were collected for West D St so turnover may be lower than data indicates.

On Tuesday, turnover was slightly higher, with 60% of vehicles parked counted once, indicating that the car was parked for one or two hours. The remaining 40% of vehicles were parked for two or more hours. Table 5 provides a summary of the turnover data collected on the lettered streets on Tuesday.

Table 5: Lettered Streets Tuesday Turnover

	1 Count (1-2 Hours)	2 Counts (2-4 Hours)	3 Counts (4-6 Hours)	4 Counts (6-8 Hours)	5 Counts (8-10 Hours)	Total
East B St	37	10	6	3	4	60
East D St	33	15	15	4	6	73
East E St	23	6	7	2	3	40
East F St	78	20	11	5	5	119
East G St	44	13	5	7	12	81
East H St	39	4	5	14	6	68
East I St	49	19	13	8	7	96
East J St	78	11	5	1	7	102
West C St	13	4	4	2	7	30
West D St	36	9	6	4	5	60
West E St	21	3	2	0	2	28
West F St	39	10	4	7	15	75
West G St	49	4	7	5	8	73
West H St	69	10	6	8	7	100
West I St	36	12	6	7	10	71
West J St	47	15	2	5	12	81
Total	691	165	104	82	116	1,157
Percent of Total	60%	14%	9%	7%	10%	

Parking Wayfinding

How people experience parking in Downtown Benicia is determined by a combination of the number of parking spaces, parking time limits, and directions on how and where to park.

Downtown has some signage directing visitors to public parking. These signs are located on a few light poles with small white text. These types of signs are typically used to direct visitors to off-street lots, however, in downtown Benicia, it appears that most of these signs are directing visitors to public on-street parking as well as the public off-street lots. This may present some confusion if visitors see a sign and proceed in that direction never to find an off-street parking facility. Additionally, due to the color, fading, and size of the text on the signs, they may be easily missed or overlooked as people search for a parking space. Figure 17 shows an example of the existing wayfinding signage in downtown.

Figure 17: Existing Parking Wayfinding



Overall Downtown Access

Downtown Benicia provides a comfortable walking environment for pedestrians with wide sidewalks, crosswalks at most intersections, walking paths along the water, and multiple outdoor dining locations. Once a visitor arrives in downtown and parks, it is reasonable to assume that they could walk around downtown and visit several locations without having to move their vehicle.

Figure 18: Shared Lane Marking on First St



However, there are limited options in terms of driving alternatives providing access to downtown. Based on conversations with the City, while Transportation Network Companies (e.g. Uber and Lyft) are available in downtown, they are limited in service. There are also no marked pickup/drop-off zones available for these types of services.

Additionally, while a Class III bike route, marked with shared lanes markings (also known as bike sharrows), exists on First Street, there are no bike rentals, bike share systems, or dockless vehicles (bikes or scooters), available for public use in the area. There is some available bike parking in the form of bike racks, however, no bikes were parked at the time of counts.

Limited transit service is provided via SolTrans' Regional Yellow Line with a stop at Military and First Streets. However, the route does not go south of Military to serve downtown.

There are a limited number of ADA spaces available, including on the corner of several lettered streets and First Street and in front of Benicia Capitol State Historic Park. Figure 19 shows some of the types of ADA spaces available in downtown.

Figure 19: Example of ADA Spaces in Downtown Benicia



Source: Walker Consultants, 2019

2004 Study Comparison

In comparing this study with the one conducted in 2004, we have found an increase in both parking supply and demand.

- Overall, the downtown parking supply has increased 254± spaces, from 1,452± to 1,706± since 2004. This is likely due to striping several lettered streets with angled parking as well as some variations in data collection between the two studies.
- The peak parking demand has increased by 217 vehicles since 2004.
 - In the 2004 study, peak parking demand occurred on Thursday Farmer's Market, with 870 spaces occupied within the entire study area.
 - In this analysis, 963± vehicles parked during peak parking demand on a Saturday between 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.
 - Also in this analysis, during weekday counts on a Tuesday, there were 924± parked vehicles. This is higher than the occupancy counted during the 2004 peak parking demand, which occurred during Farmer's Market night.
- First Street experiences a similar turnover rate in 2019, as it did in 2004. Similar results were found for the lettered side streets, with varying rates of turnover.
 - In 2004, 12% of vehicles were parked on First Street for three or more hours.
 - In this study, 6% of vehicles were parked for four or more hours and 14% were parked between two and four hours.

In general, the major findings from the 2004 study are consistent with what was found in this analysis, these findings include the following from the 2004 study:

- *Overall, there is sufficient parking in the downtown area for the mix of existing uses.*
- *The parking demand is heaviest on First Street, which creates "hot-spots" or areas where it is difficult to find a parking space.*
- *The parking demand is also heavy on some of the side streets. This demand is generated by a variety of commercial and residential uses. The turnover on these streets is less, which is reflective of the residential nature of many of these streets.*
- *The use of off-street lots varies with several lots being heavily used and other lots with little or no use. The majority of off-street parking areas, especially the city-owned lots, appear to be underutilized.*



03 Community Outreach

Community Outreach

Community outreach is a vital component to understanding parking and transportation in an area. To gain a better understanding of the perspective of community members in Benicia on downtown parking, a series of public outreach and engagement efforts were designed to gather input on the views and needs of residents, business owners, employees, and visitors. Two individual online surveys were issued, as well as two workshops, to gather information on the parking needs, issues, and challenges experienced by community members. A description of each outreach strategy with key findings is provided below.

Online Survey One

Walker and the City issued a twenty-question online survey on July 25, 2019, and received 435 responses. The following section summarizes the key findings of the survey. A full summary of results is provided in Appendix B.

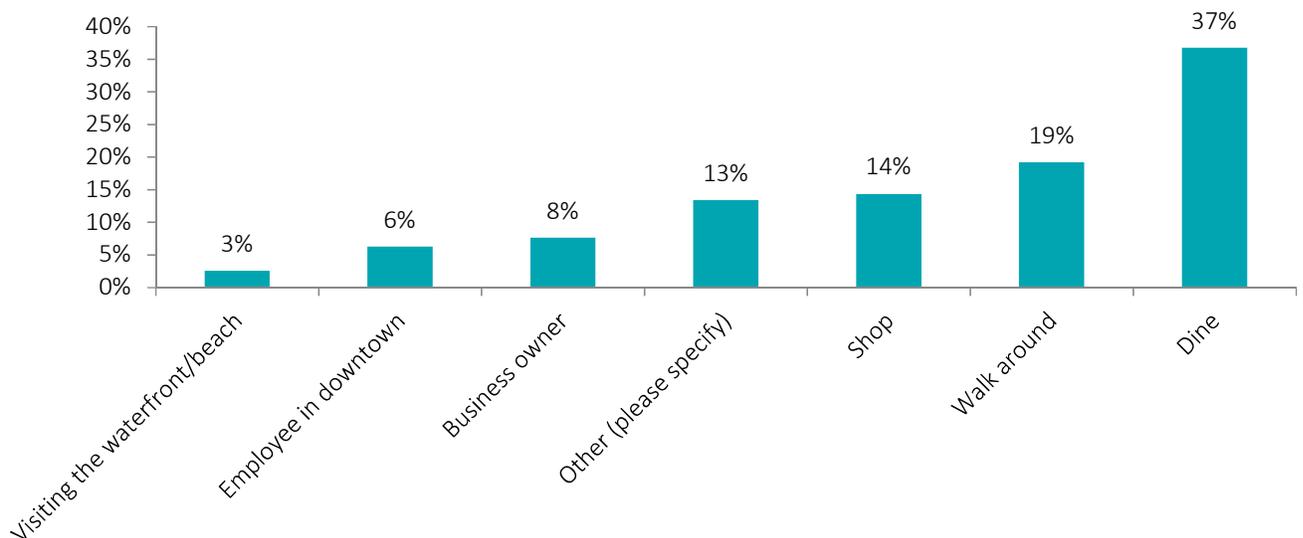


Purpose and Frequency of Downtown Visits

A majority of survey respondents visit Downtown Benicia at least a few times per week with 52% reporting “a few times per week” and 29% reporting “every day”.

When respondents were asked why they visit downtown, the majority said to “dine” with 37% of the responses, “walk-around”, with 19% of responses, and “shop” with 14% of responses. There were also 13% of respondents who reported “other” and wrote-in a response. Of those written in responses, several survey participants said they live downtown or that they visit for a combination of activities (e.g. go for walk, get lunch, and shop). These responses are shown in Figure 20

Figure 20: Why Respondents Visit Downtown



Traveling to Downtown Benicia

When respondents were asked how far they live from downtown, the majority of respondents reported that they either live downtown (21%) or are within three miles of downtown (50%). When asked what mode of travel they use to access downtown, most respondents reported that they drive downtown (81%), and some walk (17%). Very few ride their bike to downtown (1%).

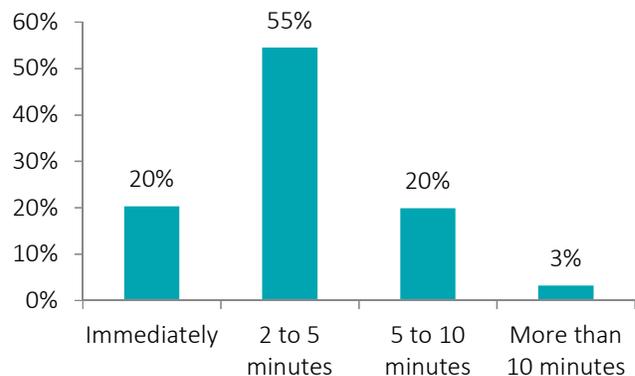


Parking Downtown

Survey participants were asked how they would describe parking in downtown. Of those that responded, 65% said they are at least “somewhat satisfied” with parking in downtown. **Most respondents reported being able to park within two blocks of their destination.**

In general, the majority of responses indicated that downtown visitors are able to find parking relatively quickly. Based on survey responses, 20% of respondents indicated that they are able to find parking immediately when visiting downtown and 55% can find parking within two to five minutes. These results are shown in Figure 21.

Figure 21: Time it Takes to Find Parking



When survey participants were asked if they ever leave or decide not to visit downtown Benicia due to lack of available/convenient parking, 36% of respondents said “yes.” Additionally, **over one-half (53%) of respondents also indicated that they do not believe there is enough parking in downtown.**

When asked what the most important factor was when choosing where to park in downtown, **over one-half (53%) of respondents reported that parking within one to two blocks of their destination is the most important.** Finding parking quickly and easily, even if they have to park further away, was reported as the most important factor for 31% of respondents.

Most important factors when choosing where to park in downtown:



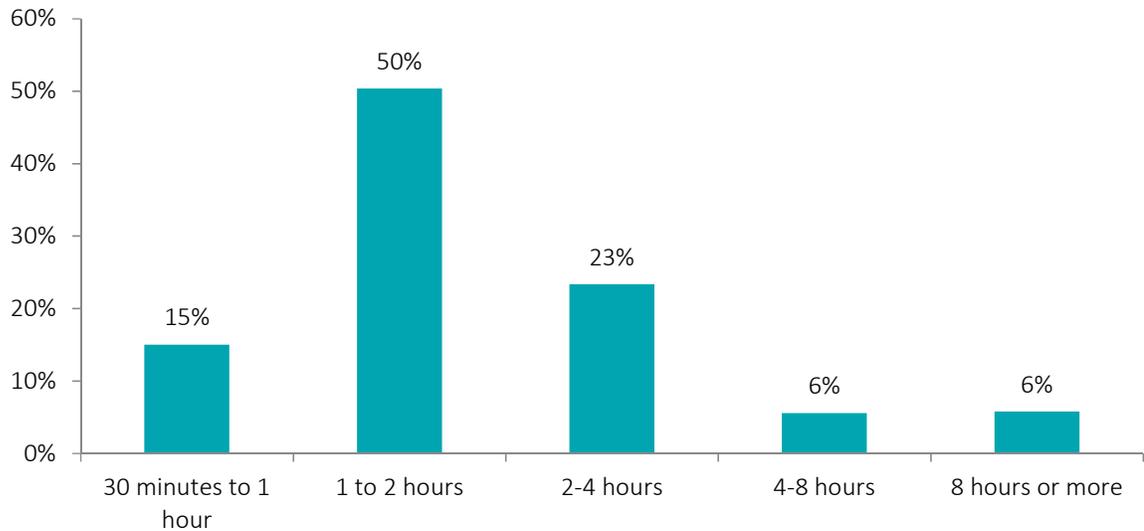
1) Parking within one to two blocks of their destination

2) Finding parking quickly and easily, even if they have to park further away

Experience Once Parked Downtown

Survey participants were asked how long they typically stay once they are parked. One-half (50%) said they stay one to two hours and 23% said they stay for two to four hours, which is consistent with parking turnover findings. Few people indicated that they stay for four or more hours. These results are shown in Figure 22.

Figure 22: Time Spent in Downtown Once Parked



93% said downtown has a safe & comfortable walking environment

Most respondents reported that they enjoyed visiting multiple locations in one outing and **93% walk between their destinations once parked**. The majority of respondents (93%) also reported that downtown has a safe and comfortable walking environment. The most popular outing reported were meals (86%), visiting a bakery (65%), and visiting a coffee shop (56%).

For those who have parked a few blocks from their destination, most respondents (89%) **would prefer to walk from destination to destination in an interesting, comfortable, and safe environment**.

Comparisons to Other Downtowns in the Region

Survey respondents were asked which other small downtown they enjoy visiting that has a great mix of retail and entertainment with convenient parking and walkability. **Yountville, Martinez, and Lafayette** were the most selected of the provided options. Survey participants also had the opportunity to write-in downtown communities that they enjoy. Communities mentioned the most often were **Walnut Creek, Pleasant Hill, and Sonoma**.

When asked if they enjoy walking between destinations in these communities, 88% said they do.

Flex Spaces/Parklets

Survey respondents were asked about flex spaces or parklets. A Parklet is an extension of the sidewalk over an on-street parking space that serves as a small public park. Because streets often make up the greatest amount of public space, parklets take a small amount of that space to create public areas for people to gather or relax and enhance the pedestrian experience. Respondents were asked where they believed the best location would be for the flex space or parklet, over one-half, **61%, said they would prefer not to have a flex space but rather maintain parking.** For those who were supportive of potential flex space, **15% said on the ideal location is on First Street followed by Benicia Point.** While some respondents commented that they would prefer to maintain parking over building flex spaces, there is potential to both add additional parking capacity and create flex spaces in downtown Benicia. See page 63 for opportunities to add additional parking.

Open-Ended Comments

The last question of the survey asked respondents to include anything else regarding parking and access in Downtown Benicia. The following summarizes the key findings that emerged from Walker's reviews of these responses:

- Respondents commented on whether to install parking meters (or charge for parking). A majority of respondents who commented on this were opposed to charging for parking, citing reasons such as a reduced number of visitors and less convenience. Those that supported charging for parking cited the fee as a strategy to reduce the parking issues in Downtown Benicia.
- Respondents mentioned a lack of parking for employees and other long-term parkers.
- There are long-term parkers on First Street occupying customer spaces.
- Most respondents who mentioned parking enforcement indicated that more enforcement is needed of the time-restricted spaces, to discourage long-term parking.
- A lack of ADA parking was frequently mentioned in the open-ended question by survey respondents.
- Several respondents suggested paving and striping the existing gravel lots.
- Several respondents suggested adding diagonal parking or adding a parking structure for additional parking capacity.
- Several respondents suggested striping the on-street parking on side streets, similar to First Street, to reduce mis-parking.
- Some respondents suggested that there are no parking issues in Downtown Benicia, and suggested the City instead invest in road repairs and sidewalk improvements.
- Some respondents mentioned an issue of commercial parking spilling over onto residential streets.

These open-ended responses are also reflected visually in Figure 23. The larger the font size, the more the word was cited in responses.

Figure 23: Summary of Survey 1 Open-Ended Responses



Online Survey Two

Walker and the City issued a second survey (10 questions) designed to gather additional input from the public. The survey was issued on September 4, 2019 and received 169 responses. The following summarizes key findings from the survey issued. The full summary of results is provided in Appendix A.



Parking Issues

Survey participants were asked if they believe parking is an issue in downtown. Results were almost evenly split with just over one-half responding “yes” (52%) and 49% responding “no”. The top three concerns regarding parking that were reported include:

1. **Lack of public parking lots (59%)**
2. **Lack of on-street parking near or at a destination during peak hours (44%)**
3. **Lack of special event parking (40%)**

52% of respondents believe parking is an issue in downtown. At the same time, about one-half of respondents are satisfied with parking in downtown.

Survey participants were also given the opportunity to write-in a response to share their concerns in regard to parking. Other concerns regarding parking included:

- Lack of accessible parking for persons with disabilities
- Lack of any on-street parking during peak hours (12:00 PM to 2:00 PM)
- Lack of enforcement of existing parking regulations
- Lack of parking in front of residential uses
- Lack of painted lines on parking side streets
- Lack of parking in the late afternoon (around 6:00 PM)

For those that believed parking was not an issue in downtown, survey participants were asked what existing features made parking easy and convenient to find. Respondents identified the following features:

- On a typical non-event day, parking is available downtown, sometimes a few blocks away from their destination
- Plenty of available parking on side streets and off-street lots
- Lack of meters make parking easier

Parking Lot at East E and East 2nd Street

Survey participants were asked if they park in the lot at East E Street and East 2nd Street. **Results were evenly split with 50% of respondents saying that yes, they do park in this lot, and the other half indicating that they don't.**

When asked when they do park in this lot, respondents indicated the following times:

- Special events (84%)
- Farmer's Market (62%)
- Every time I visit Downtown Benicia (9%)
- Other reasons (25%), such as:
 - To park for certain restaurants downtown
 - When parking cannot be found in other locations



Parking Solutions

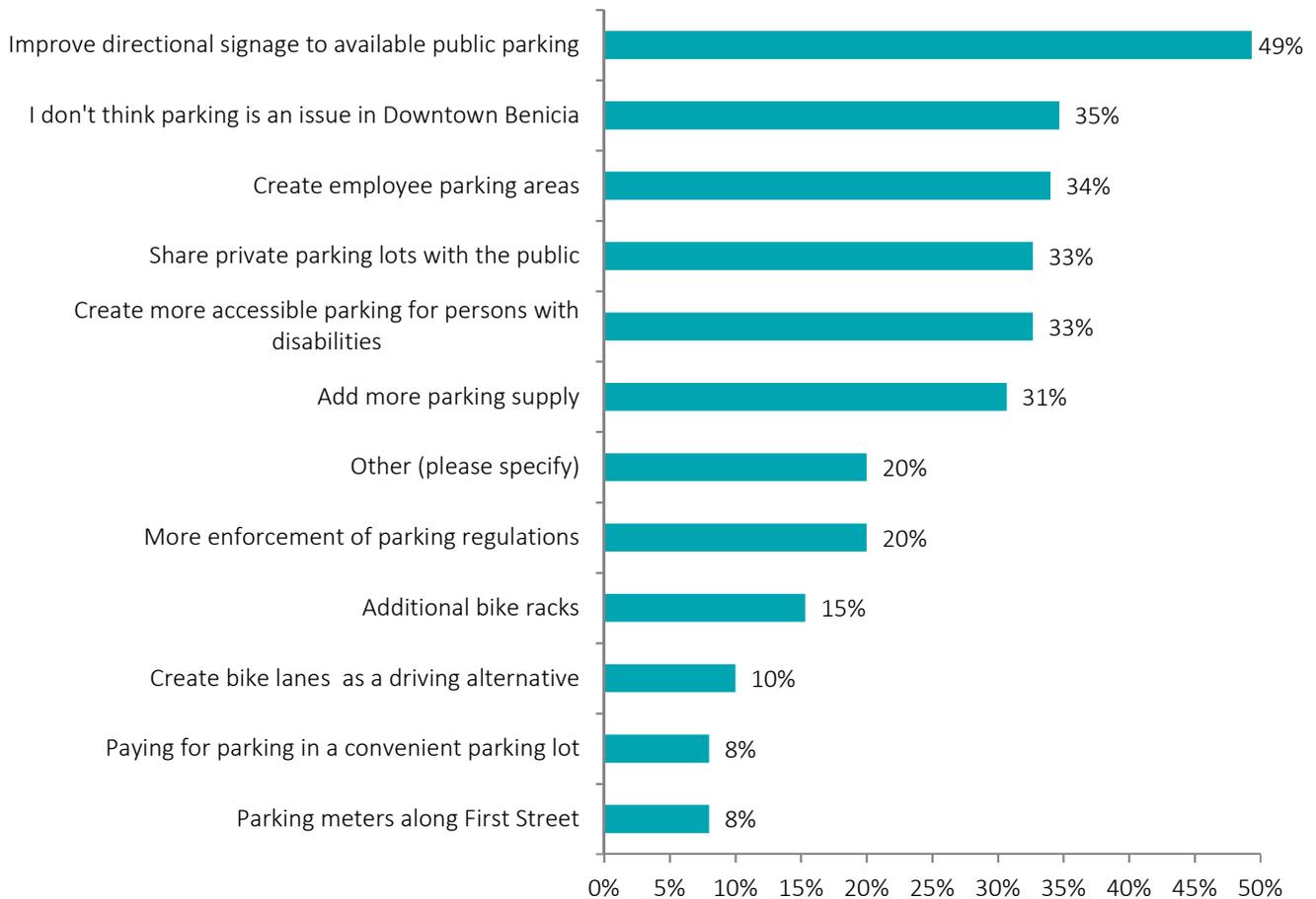
Respondents were asked what types of parking solutions they would most support. The top three selected options for this question were "Improve directional signage to available public parking" (49%), "I don't think parking is an issue in Downtown Benicia" (35%), and "Create employee parking areas" (34%). Both "Share private parking lots with the public" and "create more accessible parking for people with disabilities" received similar results with 33% of responses. Figure 24 shows a summary of the responses.

Parking solutions survey participants would be most supportive of:



1. Improve directional signage to available public parking
 2. Create employee parking areas
 3. Share private lots with the public
 4. Create more accessible parking for people with disabilities
-

Figure 24: Support of Parking Solutions



Open-Ended Comments

The last question of the survey asked respondents to include anything else regarding parking in Downtown Benicia. The following summarizes the key findings that emerged from Walker's reviews of these responses:

- Respondents commented on whether to install parking meters (or charge for parking). Almost all respondents who commented on this were opposed to charging for parking, citing reasons such as a reduced number of visitors and less convenience.
- Respondents who commented on pedestrian safety mentioned the need for safe pedestrian crossing and lighting.
- Several respondents suggested paving the existing surface parking lots as a way to encourage their use and efficiency, as well as mitigate dust.
- Several respondents suggested adding diagonal parking as a way to increase parking capacity.
- Several respondents cited a lack of ADA accessible parking in Downtown Benicia.

- A few respondents indicated that parking time limits were not being adequately enforced.
- A few respondents suggested satisfying event parking demand by utilizing shuttles from off-site facilities to event locations.

A summary of the key themes found in these open-ended responses are shown in Figure 25. The larger the font size, the more the word was cited in responses.

Figure 25: Summary of Survey 2 Open-Ended Responses



Community Workshops



The first community workshop was held on August 20, 2019, in the morning, at the Veteran’s Hall in downtown. This meeting was intended to primarily gather information from downtown business owners as well as general public feedback. A second workshop was held in the same location on September 16, 2019. The second workshop was held in the evening in order to provide members of the public an additional opportunity to attend.

At these meetings, Walker, in partnership with the City, presented the existing conditions data collected and major findings, as well as general information on parklets and where available parking exists in Benicia.

In order to gather perceptions of parking within downtown from the community, business owners and community members were given the opportunity to participate in multiple activities.



Community members were asked to share, with stickers on a map, where they prefer to park, areas they avoid parking, and how far they would be willing to park and walk to First Street. In general, community members shared that they prefer to park on First Street and will avoid the unpaved public lot on East B Street due to its uneven terrain and dust. The results of this exercise are shown in Figure 26.

Figure 26: Where People Prefer to Park

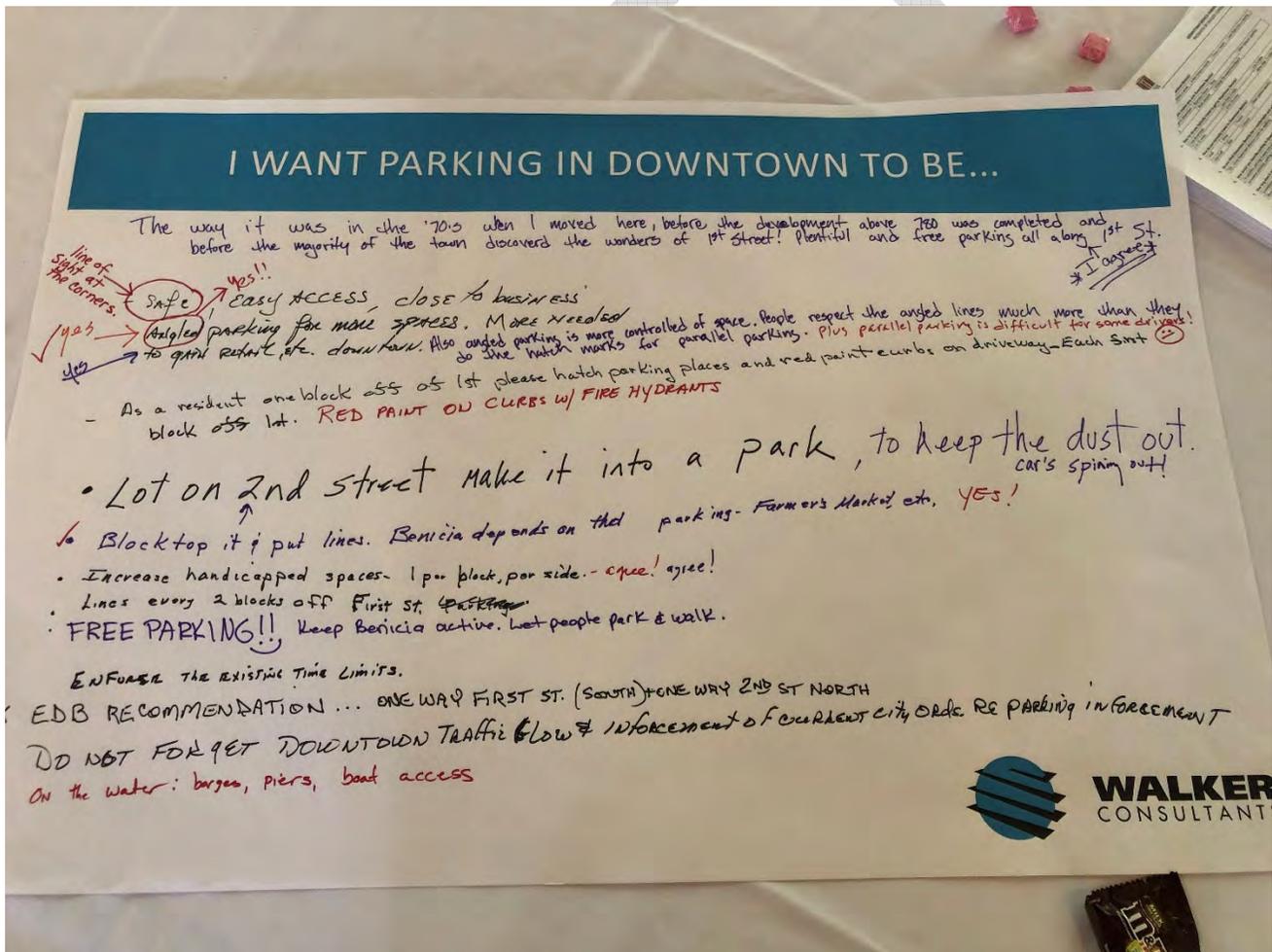


Those who attended the workshops were then asked what they want downtown parking to be. The purpose of this was to provide an opportunity for workshop attendees to vision their optimal downtown parking environment.

The results of this exercise are shown in Figure 27.

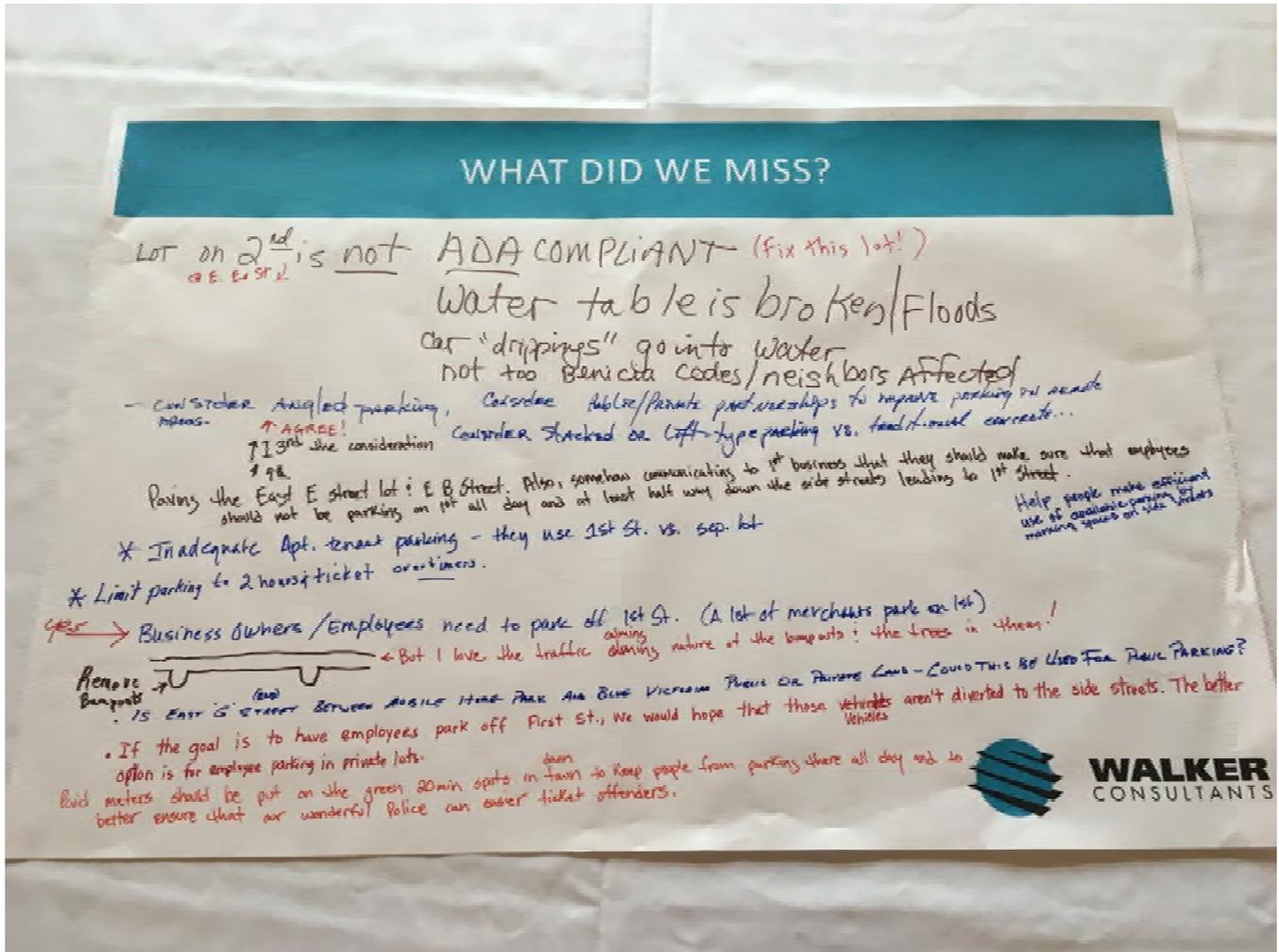


Figure 27: "I Want Downtown Parking to Be" Exercise Results



Community members were also given the opportunity to share any comments they would like on a comment titled "What did we miss?" The results of this are shown in Figure 28.

Figure 28: "What Did We Miss?" Exercise



In general, community members shared concerns about employees parking on First Street, not having enough parking in downtown, not enough ADA parking, and concern over the potential loss of the East B Street lot, especially during special events.

The background of the page is an abstract composition of overlapping geometric shapes in various shades of teal, blue, and light cyan. The shapes are layered, creating a sense of depth and movement. The colors transition from darker blues and teals at the top to lighter, almost white tones at the bottom. The overall effect is modern and clean.

04 Future Parking Analysis

Future Parking Analysis

The City of Benicia owns approximately two acres at a site on East E Street and Second Street. The site currently serves as an unpaved parking lot primarily used for overflow parking during special events such as Farmer’s Market Thursdays or Fourth of July.

The lot is unused during typical weekdays and weekends (with the capacity to park approximately 118 vehicles). Walker observed only a few vehicles parked in this lot during field data collection. The most vehicles observed parked at one time were 11 cars on Saturday, June 25th, between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. However, we found the lot to be highly utilized during Thursday night Farmer’s Market evenings, when a portion of First Street is blocked. On a typical Thursday Farmer’s Market evening, the East E Street lot is approximately 90% utilized at the peak, with 107+ vehicles parked.

Figure 29: E Street Lot on a Typical Day



Given that the site goes unused most of the year, the City has considered various development scenarios for the parcel. A Broker Opinion of Value Study conducted by Transwestern³ found the site has the potential for a hotel that could take advantage of business and tourism visitors. Figure 30 shows the location of the East E Street lot.

Figure 30: E Street Lot at East 2nd Street and East E Street



Source: Broker Opinion of Value, Transwestern, 2019



³ Transwestern, Broker Opinion of Value Prepared for the City of Benicia, June 14, 2018.

To determine how the potential development could impact parking in downtown and the need for parking a new use, Walker conducted an assessment of future demand. Walker utilized the Walker/Urban Land Institute's (ULI) Shared Parking Model to project the recommended future supply for the hotel development. The following section provides detailed descriptions and methodologies for this projection.

Shared Parking Model

Shared parking allows for the sharing of parking spaces among uses in a mixed-use environment—in lieu of providing a minimum number of parking spaces for each individual use. Shared parking commonly results in a reduction in the total need for parking spaces. This reduction, which is sometimes significant, depends on the quantities and mix of uses. Shared parking offers numerous benefits to a community at large, not the least of which is the cost savings and environmental benefit of significantly reducing the amount of parking provided necessary to serve commercial development. Sharing parking also promotes optimal use of land, as more people-oriented uses are built that generated economic development, tax revenues, and improve the overall atmosphere of an area.

The key goal of a shared parking analysis is to find the balance between providing adequate parking to support development from a commercial and operational standpoint while minimizing the negative aspects of excessive land area and capital costs devoted to parking, which can drive up rents and consumer costs.

The ability to share parking spaces is the result of two conditions:

1. Variations in the accumulation of vehicles by the hour, by day, or by season at the individual land uses.
2. Relationships among the land uses that result in visiting multiple land uses on the same auto trip. For example, a substantial percentage of patrons at one business (restaurant) may be visitors at the hotel. This is referred to as the “effects of the captive market.” These patrons are already parking and contribute only once to the number of peak hour parkers. In other words, the parking demand ratio for individual land uses should be factored downward in proportion to the captive market support received from neighboring land uses.

The City of Benicia allows shared parking when adjoining uses on the same site have different hours of operation and the same parking spaces can serve both uses.

The City of Benicia Municipal Code Chapter 17.74.020, Basic requirements for off-street parking and loading states:

Joint Use. Off-street parking and loading facilities required by this chapter for any use shall not be considered as providing parking spaces or loading berths for any other use except where the provisions of BMC 17.74.040, Collective provision of parking, apply or a joint facility exists. Such a facility shall contain not less than the total number of spaces or berths as determined individually, subject to the provisions of subsection (G) of this section, or fewer spaces may be permitted where adjoining uses on the same site have different hours of operation and the same parking spaces or loading berths can serve both without conflict. A determination of the extent, if any, to which joint use will achieve the purposes of this chapter shall be made by the community development director, who may require submission of survey data necessary to reach a decision.

This parking demand analysis using Walker's Shared Parking Model considers the types, quantities, and user groups of land uses for the development, as well as site-and market-specific characteristics of parking and travel behavior in Benicia. Walker's Shared Parking Model is based on the Urban Land Institute (ULI) and International Council of

Shopping Center's (ICSC) Shared Parking publication⁴. Walker led a team of consultants in writing the updated Shared Parking Third Edition and features the most up-to-date parking demand model. The model is designed to project the parking needs of various types of development from 6:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight on a typical weekday and a weekend for every month of the year.

The resulting recommended supply for future development is based on the projected peak hour of design day parking demand. This does not represent the maximum ever generated by potential development. In Walker's experience, designing a parking system for the absolute peak busiest day of the year leads to the overbuilding of parking spaces.

The peak in this analysis refers to the "design day" or "design hour," a time that recurs frequently enough to justify providing spaces for that level of parking activity. The 85th percentile of peak-hour observations is generally recommended by *Shared Parking*, except for retail shopping, for which the 20th highest hour of the year is employed.

Walker's Shared Parking Model utilizes parking ratios expressed as a ratio of x spaces per y units. The units vary depending upon the land use – i.e., keys/rooms for a hotel, units for a residential complex, or square feet of building space. Additionally, parking generation rates for retail and restaurant land uses are based on the gross floor area (GFA).

Shared Parking Methodology

The first edition of *Shared Parking* was published in 1983 and then updated in 2005. The Third Edition is currently being finalized and is expected to go to print sometime in 2019. In accordance with the Second and Third Editions of *Shared Parking*, future parking demand for the site is analyzed separately for employees and customers/guests to improve the reliability of the projections, as well as the tools for parking management planning.

The following sections detail the methodology for the shared parking analysis to determine the future parking demand.

Land Use Potential

Given the E Street surface parking lot goes unused most of the year, the City has considered various development scenarios for the parcel, including a hotel. The Broker Opinion of Value Study conducted by Transwestern found that the site has the potential for a hotel that could capitalize on business and tourism visitors.

Conceptual plans for the hotel are shown in Table 6 and Figure 31. These potential uses are based on the size of the site as well as comparable hotels in the surrounding area. Walker assumes that approximately 30% of the hotel will be frequented by business travelers and 70% by leisure travelers.

⁴ Shared Parking (Third Edition), 2019, The Urban Land Institute, Washington, D.C.

Table 6: Downtown Benicia Hotel Conceptual Land Uses

	Total	Unit
Hotel Rooms	125	Rooms
<i>Leisure Guests</i>	38	<i>Rooms</i>
<i>Business Guests</i>	87	<i>Rooms</i>
Meeting Space	1,600	Square Feet
Restaurant/Lounge	1,000	Square Feet

Source: Broker Opinion of Value Prepared for the City of Benicia, Transwestern, 2018

Figure 31: Downtown Benicia Hotel Conceptual Site Plan



Source: Broker Opinion of Value, Transwestern, 2019

Base Parking Ratios

To begin a shared parking analysis, we first start with the type and quantity of land use to be analyzed. Each land use has a specific metric considered by the parking industry to be a reliable measure of the parking demand for that use. For retail, that metric is square footage (gross leasable area or GLA), for theaters that metric is the number of seats, etc. The parking demand is divided by the quantity for each metric to generate a base parking ratio for each land use based on that metric (i.e. for the hotel the ratio is presented as “spaces per room”; for restaurant/lounge the ratio is presented as “spaces per gross square foot”).

Simply put, the base parking demand ratios represent how many spaces should be supplied to each use if the spaces are unshared, and the project is in a suburban context where the driving ratio is at or near 100 percent.

Table 7 displays the base parking demand ratios used for this analysis. These base parking rates were taken from the Third Edition of Shared Parking and informed by thousands of field parking occupancy studies performed by parking and transportation professionals over decades. These ratios have been vetted by a team of consultants who specialize in parking demand analyses and who mutually agreed upon the use of these ratios prior to the publication of the Second and Third Edition of Shared Parking.

Table 7: Parking Rates by Land Use

	Weekend		Weekday		Unit
	Guest	Employee	Guest	Employee	
Hotel Rooms	1.0	0.15	1.0	0.15	Rooms
Restaurant/Lounge	6.67	1.2	7.67	1.33	Square Feet
Meeting Space	19.2	1.28	12.8	1.28	Square Feet

Source: Walker Consultants/Urban Land Institute, 2019

Drive Ratio Adjustment

A driving ratio adjustment is the percentage of patrons and employees that are projected to drive to the site in a personal vehicle expressed as a ratio. This excludes all non-driving modes of transportation including shuttle buses and other public transportation, taxi, ride-hailing (Lyft/Uber), walking, bicycling, and carpooling passengers.

Walker utilized the American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year estimates to determine drive ratios for employees of the potential hotel use. Commuter data shows that 10% of Benicia workers bike, walk, ride transit, or carpool to travel to work. A 15% reduction was applied to potential hotel guests, assuming that some patrons would arrive via alternative modes such as taxi, ride-hailing services, or transit. This 10% reduction was applied to the drive ratio presented in Table 8.⁵

Table 8: Driving Adjustments

	Weekend		Weekday	
	Daytime	Evening	Daytime	Evening
Hotel Guests	85%	85%	85%	85%
Employees	90%	90%	90%	90%

Source: Walker Consultants/Urban Land Institute, 2019

Non-Captive Adjustments

“Captive market” is borrowed from market researchers to describe people who are already present in the immediate vicinity at certain times of the day. In the shared parking analysis, the term “captive market” reflects the adjustment of parking needs and vehicular trip generation rates due to the interaction among uses in an area.

Generally, non-captive parking considerations for any development take into account that some visitors to a specific land use may already be parked or have arrived at the site to visit multiple land uses on the site, such as when a hotel guest visits a restaurant within the same development. This is referred to as the “effects of a captive market,” as some of the restaurant’s patrons are already parking at the site; therefore, they contribute only once to the number of peak hour spaces utilizing the development’s parking supply. In other words, with shared parking, the parking demand ratio for individual land uses can be corrected downward in proportion to the captive market support of the neighboring land uses.

Walker, in designing a shared use analysis, uses the inverse or non-captive ratio, which is the percentage of parkers who are not already counted as being parked. It is likely that a portion of those visiting the potential future development on the East E Street site will be a hotel guest (e.g. guests dining in the restaurant or attending an on-site meeting in the meeting space).

⁵ It should be noted that an actively managed transportation demand management (TDM) plan can result in a material reduction in parking demand for these uses, particularly for employee parking.

Non-captive ratios can vary from one property to the next and from one function to the next within the same property. Typically, a reduction ranging from 10% to 70% has been used by parking and transportation professionals to fine tune the parking requirements for mixed-use projects with primary attractors and secondary attractors. However, for some land uses, no reduction is made. For example, all hotel guests would be traveling to the hotel from somewhere other than the site, indicating a 100% non-captive ratio. The non-captive ratios included herein are intended to be reasonable and appropriate adjustments.

Based on Walker’s experience with various developments and land uses, we have assumed the following non-captive ratios described in Table 9.

Table 9: Non-captive Adjustments

	Weekend		Weekday	
	Daytime	Evening	Daytime	Evening
Hotel Guests	100%	100%	100%	100%
Restaurant/Lounge Guests	90%	90%	70%	70%
Meeting Space Gusts	60%	60%	70%	70%
Hotel Employees	400%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Walker Consultants/Urban Land Institute, 2019

Future Parking Demand Results

Based on the Shared Parking methodology, the overall peak is expected to occur in April at 9:00 p.m., at which 117± parking spaces are recommended to serve the potential future uses. A summary of the weekday and weekend peaks are shown in Table 5. Figure 4 and 5 provides a graphic illustration of the Shared Parking output by the hour for the overall weekday peak.

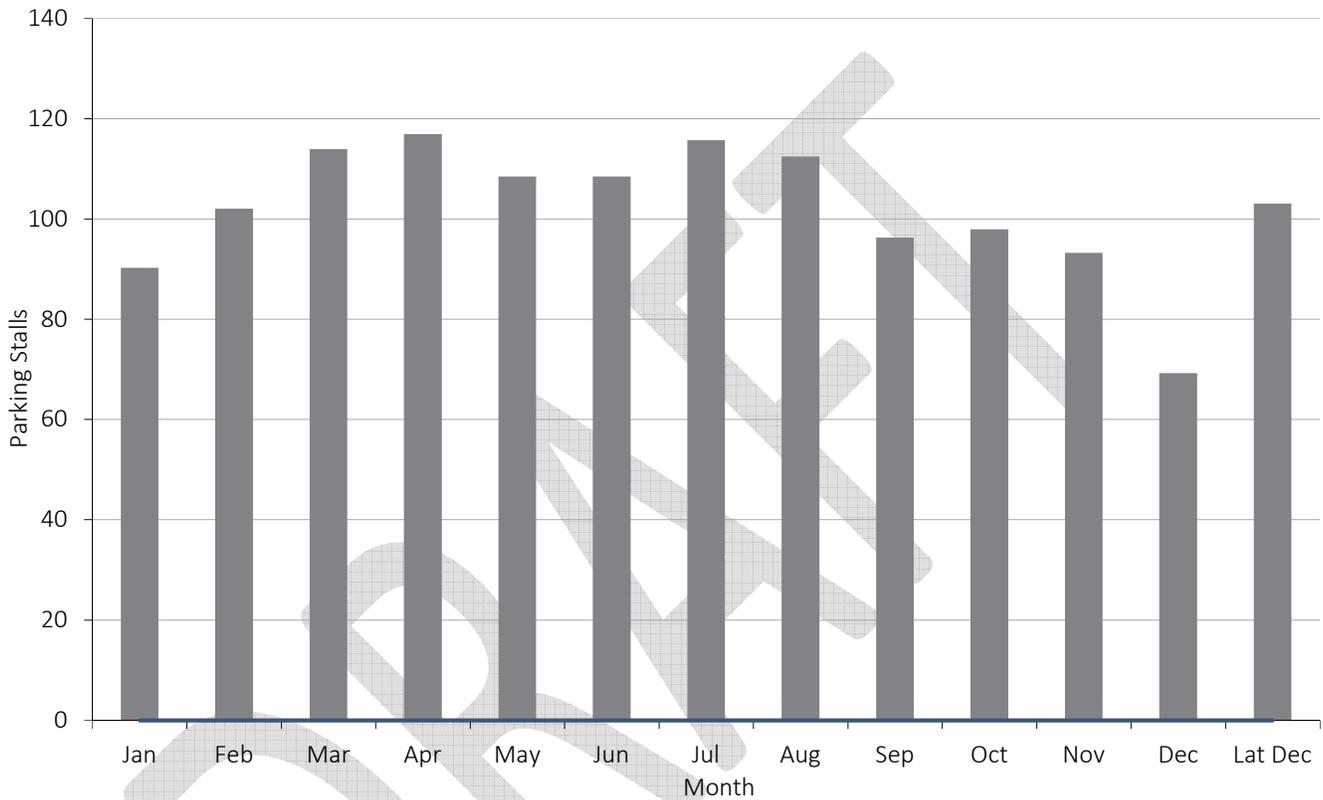
Table 10: Weekday & Weekend Shared Parking Demand Summary

	Estimated Weekday Parking Demand	Estimated Weekend Demand
Hotel Guests	113	110
Employees	4	7
Total	117	117

Source: Walker Consultants/Urban Land Institute, 2019

Figure 32 displays the demand fluctuations for the proposed land uses throughout an entire year for the design day (85th percentile) scenario, showing that April is the likely peak parking demand month. The graph displays the fluidity of demand based on the uses and adjustments factored into the analysis.

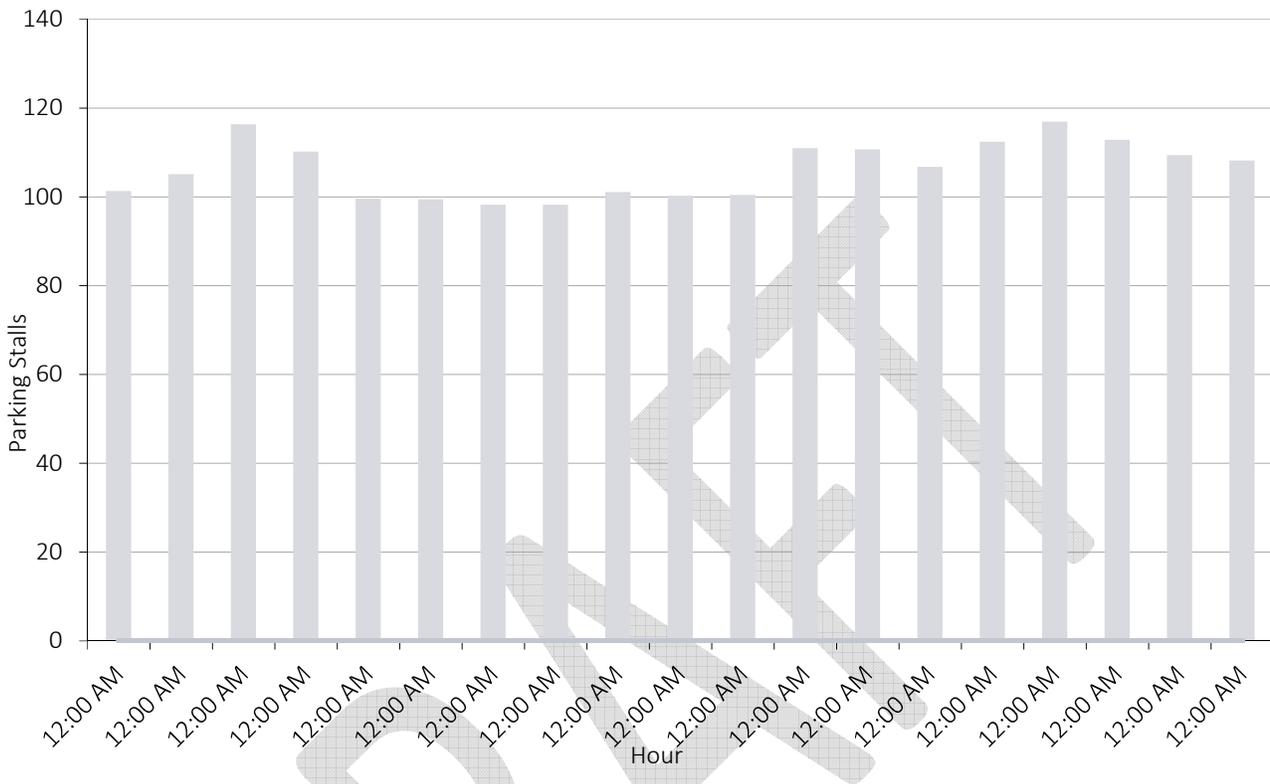
Figure 32: Recommended Weekday Supply by Month



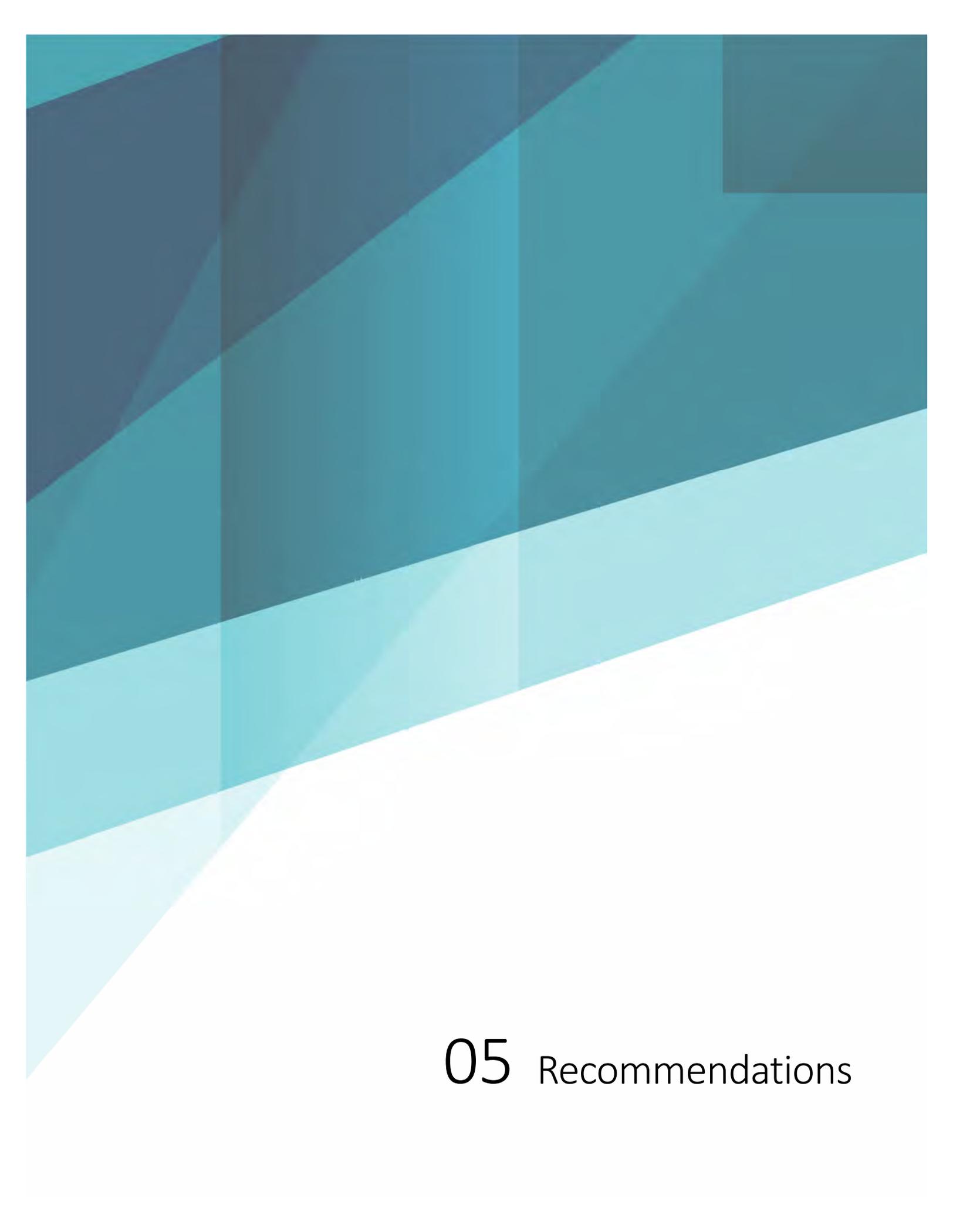
Source: Walker Consultants/Urban Land Institute, 2019

Figure 33 displays the demand fluctuations for the proposed land uses throughout an entire day for the design day (85th percentile) scenario. The graph displays the fluidity of demand based on the uses and adjustments factored into the analysis and shows a likely parking demand peak in the morning and evening.

Figure 33: Recommended Weekday Supply by Hour



Source: Walker Consultants/Urban Land Institute, 2019

The background of the page is an abstract composition of overlapping geometric shapes in various shades of teal and blue. The shapes are primarily triangles and quadrilaterals, creating a sense of depth and movement. The colors range from a light, almost white teal to a dark, deep blue. The overall effect is modern and clean.

05 Recommendations

Recommendations

Based on the existing conditions analysis, review of public outreach results, and parking best practices, Walker developed the following near, mid, and long-term recommendations for parking and transportation improvements in downtown Benicia. These recommendations take a comprehensive and holistic approach to planning for parking and transportation in downtown Benicia.

When considering the implementation of these recommendations, it is important to recognize that policy decisions and investments made today will last for decades. Therefore, those decisions should take into consideration how people will get around in the future and be flexible to adapt as travel behavior changes with the implementation of mobility options that do not involve driving and parking.

Recommendations are categorized along the following timeline:

- **Near-Term:** Strategies that can be implemented in the next six months to one year.
- **Medium-Term:** Strategies and infrastructure that can be implemented within one to two years.
- **Long-Term:** Strategies and infrastructure that can be implemented over the next five years or more, some of which coincide with City development (for example developing the East E Street parking lot).

Table 11 provides a summary of the recommendations provided in this report. The following sections include details for each recommendation.

Table 11: Summary of Recommendations

Timeframe	Strategy	Implementation	Goals
Near-Term (6 months to 1 year)	Enforcement	Parking Ambassadors Program	Enforce 3-hr. time limit on First Street in a customer service-oriented manner, increase the turnover of spaces and parking capacity, deter long-term parkers from using customer spaces
	Regulations	Retain existing 3-hr. time limit	Provides sufficient time to accommodate the majority of downtown visitors' various activities, dining, shopping, and walking along the waterfront
		Continue providing some short-term 30-minute spaces	Allow convenient parking for quick visits. There is currently an adequate number of these spaces
	Employee Parking Plan	Implement an employee parking program -Park employees in underutilized parking -Create an Employee Parking Management Plan	Preserves the most in-demand parking areas on First Street for customers and visitors
	Shared Parking	Public-private partnerships with private lots for employee and special event parking	Maximize all the space (public and private) dedicated to parking in downtown Benicia
	Wayfinding	Update parking signage and wayfinding with larger, more prominent signs	Directs visitors to available parking, increases parking ease and convenience, reduces circling
	New Mobility	Partner with Sol Trans or the Solano County Transportation Authority to implement docked bikeshare or dockless bike or scooter share program	Promote alternative modes of transportation and reduce the need for parking
	ADA Parking	Provide more ADA spaces on and near First Street	Provide adequate parking for all users
Parklets	Implement a parklet or flex space program	Create a comfortable pedestrian environment and encourage walking, promote economic development	

Timeframe	Strategy	Implementation	Goals
	Pave existing parking lots	Pave existing parking lots to create a more comfortable environment for parkers -East B & East E Street Lots (if no development)	Encourage the utilization of existing parking facilities
Mid-term (1 to 2 years)	Additional parking	Create angled parking on East D, F, and H Streets (gain roughly 124+ new parking spaces)	Create additional parking capacity
	Curb Management	Create pick-up and drop-off space for Transportation Network Companies (Uber and Lyft) when TNC activities increase	Promote safety
	Bicycle Infrastructure	Reconfigure First Street to include bike lanes	Promote alternative modes of transportation and reduce the need for parking
Long-term (3 to 5 years)	Event Parking	If the City develops the East E Street Lot, an event parking plan should be developed -Public-private partnerships to share parking with private facilities -Direct event parkers to underutilized streets and lots	Maximize all of the space (public and private) dedicated to parking in Downtown Benicia
	Back-in Angle Parking	Consider reconfiguring First Street to back-in angle parking with bike lanes	Provide more parking on First Street while improving bike and pedestrian friendliness and safety; encourage travel by other non-auto modes

Source: Walker Consultants, 2019

Near-Term Recommendations

1. Enforcement

Currently, there is little to no enforcement of the existing three-hour time limit on First Street. Enforcement is primarily done via posted signs showing the limit, with no enforcement officers checking to see if parkers are abiding by the regulations. As a result, several long-term parkers, likely employees, are parking on First Street, utilizing these spaces for four or more hours. This limits the supply of prime parking spaces on First Street to customers and visitors downtown. The existing conditions analysis in Section 1 of this report showed that approximately 40+ vehicles are being parking on First Street. **Increasing enforcement of the existing three-hour limit would assist in deterring long-term parking and open approximately 40+ spaces on First Street to downtown visitors and customers.**

Parking on First Street is a finite commodity. Enforcing the three-hour restriction will encourage greater parking turnover and increased the capacity of the most in-demand spaces, as well as the number of people who are able to park in front of storefronts. This will allow more vehicles to park during the day in the most desirable locations and will encourage downtown employees and other long-term parkers to use parking spaces on the periphery that may otherwise sit empty.

There are varying types of enforcement options to consider. Since patrons of downtown use these spaces to access shopping, dining, and businesses downtown, it is important to find a balance with enforcement to deter unwanted parking behavior as well as not penalizing customers shopping in downtown.

Parking Ambassadors

To make enforcement a more acceptable program, **Walker recommends that the City of Benicia adopt the “Ambassador Program” model for the enforcement areas** such as that used successfully in many other cities across the United States. In addition to the hospitality-oriented nature of the program, Ambassadors are still required to enforce parking regulations.

The mission of an Ambassador Program would be to provide hospitality, tourism, and public safety services to local residents, businesses, and visitors, in addition to enforcing parking regulations. The Ambassadors would be required to complete a multi-faceted training program in hospitality and customer service, emergency response and first aid, public transportation, and city services.

A comfortable and weather-appropriate uniform or other methods to make Ambassadors clearly identifiable would be necessary. However, it is also important that they are not imposing or seem police oriented. The goal is for them to be identifiable but approachable in both how they look and act.

The primary goals of an Ambassador program are to promote the area, resolve concerns, and help make the downtown area a better, safer, and friendlier place to live, visit, shop, and conduct business. Ambassadors should initiate personal contacts with the parking public (known as “touches”), issue more warnings and slightly fewer citations, and interact with visitors and citizens in a genuinely positive manner.

The vision of the program is to help promote a progressive and dynamic downtown experience. The Ambassadors can accomplish this while providing parking management by monitoring public safety, extending a helping hand in emergency situations, and calling on area merchants on a regular basis.

Beyond enforcing parking regulations, the following are examples of encouraged behaviors of Ambassadors:

- To greet visitors and offer customer service
- To give a friendly face to many people's initial interaction with the City.
- To give accurate directions to visitors and direct visitors to destinations
- To provide information and explain local traffic and parking regulations to seek voluntary compliance
- To distribute city brochures and maps.

Time Limits

Walker recommends retaining the existing three-hour time limit. The parking turnover analysis conducted by Walker showed that approximately 80% of vehicles were parked for approximately one to two hours. Three hours is anticipated to be sufficient to accommodate the majority of downtown visitors and varying activities – dining, shopping, walking along the waterfront, etc. It is also short enough to deter employees or residents from parking long-term on First Street. However, as tourism and visitor populations increase in downtown Benicia, the City may want to consider lowering the time limit in the future.

Additionally, **the City should continue providing some short-term 30-minute spaces** to allow for quick visits or pickup/drop-off activities in downtown. In general, it was found that people abided by this limit and were not violating the 30-minute limit, leaving these spaces available for those that need short-term parking. Because the 30-minute spaces are available, there is likely enough to satisfy demand.

2. Employee Parking

It was revealed in the existing conditions analysis (Section 1) as well as feedback from community members during outreach that one of the major parking challenges in downtown Benicia is employees of the downtown businesses parking on First Street. It is estimated, based on parking turnover data, that approximately **40+** employee cars are parked for four or more hours on First Street on both weekdays and weekends. Employees parking on First Street reduces the minimal supply of prime parking spaces that could otherwise be used by downtown visitors and customers

Directing employees to long-term spaces preserves the most in-demand parking areas on First Street for customers. This makes it easier for customers and visitors to park, as well as increases the number of people who can park in front of storefronts by making short-term parking spaces more available through increased turnover.

To assist in alleviating the impacts of employee parking and move employees off of First Street, Walker recommends the following:

Park Employees in Underutilized Downtown Parking

Since on-street parking on First Street comprises downtown Benicia's most prime parking spaces, the City should consider requiring employees to park in underutilized off-street lots and on-street spaces.

East B Street Lot & East E Street Lot

Data collection indicated that the public off-street lot on East B Street (shown as Lot 10 on the study area map in Section 1), near the waterfront, experiences relatively low occupancies throughout the day and during peak hours. With fewer customers utilizing this lot, it is a potential option for employee parking.

Additionally, while there are potential plans to redevelop the E Street public lot, for the near term it will likely continue to remain a parking lot, and is another option for employee parking. This lot was only utilized by a few cars during typical weekday and weekend locations, leaving ample space to park employees of downtown businesses.

Yacht Club Parking

While not included in the study area, it was observed that the Yacht Club parking (400 E Second Street), which is open to the public, has available public parking. This lot has a four-hour limit, with extended hours available with a permit. Although this lot was not analyzed, the City should consider evaluating opportunities to use some of these spaces for employee parking.

On-Street Parking

Additional parking is available off First Street on the side streets as well as **East and West Second Street**. While the spaces just off First Streets, the lettered side streets are typically used by customers and patrons, spaces closer to the end of the blocks, towards Second Street, had notable availability. Additionally, both East and West Second Street only had a few cars parked throughout the day, leaving most of the street open. This may be an additional option to accommodate employee parking. However, it should be noted that these streets are primarily adjacent to residential land uses and the City would want to ensure that any conflicts between residential parking needs and employee parking are managed.

Shared Parking: Public-Private Partnership with Private Lots

The City could enter a public-private partnership with property-owners that have available parking to maximize all of the space dedicated to parking in downtown Benicia. The City would likely need to offer a monetary subsidy that would be mutually beneficial to the private property owner and the City.

The first step in implementing a public-private partnership to share parking is to establish a process to enter a shared parking agreement, including determining available hours, the number of spaces, cost-sharing of utilities, maintenance, and taxes, signage, insurance and indemnification, and enforcement.

One potential opportunity is on East F Street, where a 92-space privately owned surface parking lot serving a multi-use site of businesses and residential units. During the weekday parking occupancy count, this lot experienced its peak parking demand at 12:00 p.m. with 41% of the spaces utilized. It gradually decreased the rest of the day and

was only 12% utilized by at 6:00 p.m. On the Saturday weekend count, the lot was only 18% utilized during its peak, at both 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., and continued to decline throughout out the day, with only a 5% utilization at 6:00 p.m. Less than one-half of this lot is being utilized during peak demand on the weekday, leaving approximately 45± spaces available.

Due to the size of this private lot, and existing conditions revealing that it is relatively underutilized, this lot is a prime location for a public-private partnership between the City and the owner of this lot for long-term employee parking. **If the City could enter into a partnership with the owner, it is recommended that the downtown employees be eligible to park long-term in this lot.**

Employee Parking Management Plan

Even if an employee parking program is implemented, without enforcement, it may be challenging to ensure employees do not park on First Street. **It is recommended that the City ensure employees are not parking on First Street by increasing enforcement (as described above) as well as requiring businesses to provide a parking management plan.**

A parking management plan would be a plan that businesses would develop in order to show how their employees are arriving in downtown and where they will park. This may be done via a mandatory commute survey where every year, businesses issue the survey to their employees and then submit the results to the City. This should also be combined with education and outreach from the City to business owners to share why it is important for employees to not park on First Street and the benefits of moving employee parking off of the main street.

The survey may also assist the City in knowing how many employees are parking in downtown, and over time, to assist in adequate planning and management of employee parking needs.

Employee parking may also be tracked via an employee parking permit. These permits would be issued to employees of downtown with educational materials indicating where they should park with the permit. The City can then track the number of permits issued and conduct counts when needed to understand how many employees need parking in downtown and locations of long-term parking.

Education and Outreach

The City may also partner with downtown businesses, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Downtown Business Alliance to provide education to business owners and employees on why it is bad for business when employees park on First Street. This may also include strategies that owners may use to ensure their employees do not park on First Street and help them identify where they should park.

3. Signage and Wayfinding

During public outreach, it was revealed in the survey responses that providing more signage and wayfinding to available parking is one of the top parking solutions supported by survey participants. To help downtown visitors more easily find available parking, the City should consider updating and providing additional wayfinding signage and features.

Currently, signage is primarily provided via white and green signs with an arrow pointing the direction toward public parking. These signs are somewhat small and appear sun-faded. In order to improve visibility, these signs should be updated with larger, more prominent signs, directing visitors to downtown lots or on-street spaces.

Wayfinding signage should also have a unified look and theme. For example, there are currently no designated names for the existing public lots. Creating names for these lots based on either the streets they are located or numbering system, e.g. Lot 1, Lot 2, etc., could help visitors better locate these facilities.

Figure 34 provides an example of the City of Santa Barbara's downtown parking and wayfinding signage system. As shown in the figure, it has a unified theme as well as a naming convention for its public lots.

Figure 34: Example of Parking Wayfinding Signage



Source: Hunt Design accessed via <https://www.huntdesign.com/projects/signage-wayfinding/cities/santa-barbara-signage-wayfinding/>, 2019

4. Additional ADA Spaces

During outreach, some community members expressed a desire for more ADA spaces. If additional spaces were created through angled parking on side streets, this also provides the opportunity to create more ADA spaces, especially spaces closest to First Street. Opportunities to add more ADA spaces on First Street should also be explored. **The City should consider completing a comprehensive review of downtown ADA parking to identify key areas for additional spaces.**

5. Flex Space/Parklets

The City of Benicia expressed interest in exploring the opportunity to allow for flex space, also known as parklets, in downtown. **A parklet reimagines on-street parking as places to “park” people instead of cars, expanding the sidewalk into one or more on-street parking spaces.** The intent of parklets is to provide more space for people and people-oriented activity. Flex space provides the opportunity to provide street amenities such as seating, landscaping, public art, bicycle parking, among others.

Similar to a public park, flex space is typically open to the public and allows for a free flow of community activity. Many cities across the country have implemented flex space in varying capacities with great success in generating community and economic development by attracting more people to retail corridors where they are shopping, people watching or just plain having fun. Businesses have reported a 10% to 20% increase in sales when parklets were built.⁶ Further, studies have shown that parklets can activate a commercial district by encouraging people to visit when they otherwise would stay home.

⁶ Metropolitan Planning Council study of Chicago’s People Spots, 2014 available at www.metroplanning.org/peoplespots

Figure 35: Parklet with Outdoor Seating and Bike Parking Example



Given that First Street is a relatively long street for walking, there is an opportunity to use a parklet to create a more comfortable pedestrian experience, allowing pedestrians a place to rest and relax.

Further, given that outdoor dining areas on First Street can block pedestrian access, moving dining areas to a parklet opens the sidewalk back to pedestrians.

The City can partner with local businesses and other organizations to lease the right-of-way and create flex spaces that provide additional outdoor seating for a restaurant or provide additional public space. A similar program in Portland, Oregon, called the Street Seat Program, allows businesses and non-profits to build flex spaces based on City approval for a fee of \$5,520. Flex spaces work well outside of existing restaurants or cafes, especially those with no cost Wi-Fi. The City can partner with these locations to assist in the responsibilities and upkeep of the space (e.g. taking in chairs, move dining tables, etc.). Flex spaces should be ADA accessible and outfitted with seating and planters to provide a barrier to the street.

Beyond just dining or sitting, flex spaces may be used for bike or scooter parking. Some flex spaces may be designed to allow for a combination of both seating and parking for bikes or scooters.

Some additional benefits of flex space include:

- Flex space increases foot traffic around nearby businesses, providing a positive economic impact
- Can provide a traffic-calming effect on the street

- Enhanced pedestrian experience
- Increase sense of place and community

Figure 36: Flex Space Example



If it is the community's desire to retain parking on First Street, flex spaces may also be considered alongside streets, just off First Street. This provides additional public space while still being within close proximity to the commercial downtown.

Based on field observations by Walker, potential locations to consider a flex space include the locations in front or adjacent to:

- Farm & Flour
 - A flex space either in front of the café (where the existing 30-minute) space is or on East G Street, bordering the southern end of the restaurant. Currently on East G Street, a Farm & Flour truck parks at the corner of First Street/East G Street. This could also be a potential location for flex space.
 - Farm & Flour already provides some outdoor street seating on East G Street that appeared to be highly used. With the popularity of this café, additional seating within close proximity would likely be used.

- One House Bakery
 - One House Bakery is another popular bakery and café on First Street. Flex space in front of the bakery could provide additional seating for the bakery as well as provide space along First Street for people to gather.
- Double Rainbow Café
 - Double Rainbow Café is an ice cream shop on First Street. This shop is primarily neighbored by offices, with little to no outdoor seating areas. Walker staff observed several people sitting along ledges and stone planters while enjoying ice cream near this location. This indicates a potential need for some seating or outdoor dining space in this location.

In general, the City may approach one of these businesses to partner in providing flex space, or the City may allow businesses to approach them if they are interested in a flex space in front of or near their establishment.

6. New Mobility and Alternative Modes of Travel

Downtown Benicia is a walkable and bikeable community with generally temperate weather throughout the year. With these features and its scenic views, downtown Benicia is the ideal location to prioritize non-driving modes of travel. With over 80% of survey participants indicating that they arrive in Benicia by car, the City should work toward providing additional amenities to encourage alternative modes of travel. Additionally, these types of amenities will also help the city achieve a “park once” downtown environment where visitors only need to park their car in one location and use other modes (walk, bike, scooter, etc.) to travel between destinations rather than moving their car.

In general, **the street is currently designed to prioritize automobile travel** with wide travel lanes and curb space entirely devoted to parking. Providing facilities for new mobility services and alternative modes may help encourage visitors and employees of downtown to consider other methods of travel beyond their car.

Additionally, First Street is approximately 0.7 miles long, from the city park at First Street/K Street to Benicia Point. This is just over what is considered a comfortable walking distance of 0.5 miles. With the relatively long length of First Street, the City should consider providing methods of travel on First Street beyond driving that will assist visitors in traveling from one end to the other without having to move their cars.

Bikeshare and Dockless Micromobility

Docked Bikeshare

Implementing a bikeshare system will increase mobility options for residents and visitors to travel around downtown Benicia and would help connect locations along First Street. The City should undertake a study to create a business plan for implementing a docked bikeshare system. This includes determining the appropriate scale for the system, the operational model, and working with the community to determine station locations. The National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) has found that to be successful, bike share stations should be placed within an easy, 3-5 minute walking distance. A docked bikeshare system has the advantages of maintaining

order, as the bikes must be parked at stations, and is easier to enforce over a dockless station, where bikes could realistically be parked anywhere and block pedestrian access. The City could explore partnering with SolTrans or the Solano County Transportation Authority to implement a docked bikeshare system and assist with funding and administration.

Dockless Micromobility

The City should also consider a dockless bike or scooter share system. In the last year, both dockless bikes and scooters have become popular modes of travel. These modes provide flexibility in how they are used and accessed. Since they do not have to be parked at a station, users can typically locate the nearest bike or scooter via a mobile application (app). This is a major benefit when compared to a typical bike share that requires users to return the bike to a designated docking station. A designated docking station may severely limit how far users may travel as they will only be able to travel to areas with stations, likely limiting them to only a block or two from their location.

The intent of these programs is to provide mobility services for people, especially those who lack transit access. Additionally, since these bikes and scooters are typically motorized, they make traveling on an incline easier (traveling north from Benicia Point to the park would require riding up a slight incline).

While these vehicles do not need to be parked at a designated dock or station, to ensure that they do not end up blocking the sidewalk, designated scooter and bike corrals should be provided in popular, high-pedestrian areas. These may be just painted on a sidewalk or be provided in a flex space on the street (shown in Figure 37).

Figure 37: Dockless Vehicle Parking Example



This Photo by Unknown Author is licensed under CC BY-NC

Given Benicia's size, the City could partner with SolTrans or the Solano County Transportation Authority to implement a bike or scooter share program and assist with funding and administration.

When implementing a dockless vehicle program, there is an opportunity to generate fees associated with permits and trips. Typical fees in cities across the country range from a per-unit fee of \$30/unit to \$80/unit into a per-trip surcharge of \$0.25. There are typically permit fees and performance bond requirements, which must be paid in advance of permit approval. These fees can help offset administrative costs. Cities have reported a significant amount of administrative time allocated to managing dockless mobility programs. Some cities have one person dedicated to program management and others allocate management across several staff. **If Benicia were to implement a dockless vehicle program, the City would need to enact policy and regulations around permitting operators, total number of vehicles allowed in operations, insurance requirements, data privacy and sharing, fees, compliance, and rider regulations.**

Medium-Term Recommendations

1. Paving Existing Public Lots

Community outreach efforts revealed that several community members would like the City to pave the existing public parking lots on East E Street and East B Street, which are currently dirt lots. There is discomfort with the terrain and dust that is created as a result of the existing conditions. **The City should consider interim paving the East B Street lot⁷ and, if not moving forward with development, the East E Street lot.** Pavement should be designed in such a way that it will create a more comfortable environment for parkers in these lots while also being easily removable in the event of redevelopment.

2. Opportunities for Additional Parking

With a potential loss of parking from the redevelopment of the East E Street Lot, the City may consider exploring opportunities to add additional parking spaces in downtown.

Additional Angled Parking

Currently, angled parking exists on West H Street, West and East F Street, and West D Street. **Converting additional on-street parallel parking to angled parking has the potential to add significantly more parking to the street.** Since there are limited land opportunities to add any additional public parking lots, and the capital and operations expense of additional parking facilities would outweigh the benefits, given there is ample available parking, increasing the capacity of street parking would be a more suitable option within downtown Benicia.

Walker estimates a right of way of at least 50 feet is necessary for a street to be a candidate for angled parking. Based on measured street widths, with each street having 50 feet or more of width, potential streets that could be considered for new angled parking include:

- **East D Street** – East D Street currently has a supply of approximately 54± spaces. With angled parking, it's estimated that the street could accommodate 100± spaces. This would add 46± new spaces.
- **East F Street** – Approximately one-half of East F Street already has angled parking. This could be extended to the eastern half of the street. There are currently approximately 66± spaces on East F Street. Approximately 16± of these spaces are parallel on-street spaces. If these parallel spaces were converted to

⁷ The City of Benicia Urban Waterfront Enhancement and Master Plan also recommends to pave the B Street Lot. Page 4-6 of the Plan states: *Parking: The existing gravel parking lot will be replaced by diagonal parking along the south side of B Street, which will provide roughly 60 parking spots for park visitors. A sidewalk between the parking spaces and the rain gardens will provide a transition from the parking area to the multi-use path, as well as the expanded Green. The parking area along the east end of B Street will also be formalized with curbs, lighting that complements existing nearby lighting, and lane and parking space striping. Approximately 45 parallel spaces will continue to be accommodated on the north side of the street.*

angled, it is estimated that approximately 40± angled spaces could be created. This would result in a net increase of 24± new spaces.

- **East H Street** – East H Street has approximately 46± existing parallel spaces. If these spaces were converted to angled parking, it's estimated that capacity could increase to 100± spaces, with 54± net new spaces.⁸

Based on these approximations, **it's estimated that through additional angled parking, the City could gain roughly 124± new spaces.**⁹ In general, approximately 100 feet of curb space equates to 10 angled spaces and only four or five parallel spaces (depending on the size of the cars parked). The City should continue to explore opportunities to add angled spaces to increase capacity as needed.

Walker does not recommend pull-in angled parking on First Street. While angled parking has the potential to add notable capacity, its major drawback is that it makes the street less bike friendly. Angled parking requires vehicles to back out of a space, providing less visibility of bikes traveling up and down First Street. It is recommended that bike travel on First Street continue to be prioritized over adding capacity through angled parking. **Angled parking on First Street should only be considered if it is designed as back-in angled parking,** which is discussed in the Long-Term Strategies section (see page 67).

Regulating Oversized Vehicles

It was noted by several community members during outreach efforts that large vehicles parking in the existing angled spaces are challenging to navigate around as they typically extend past the designated parking space into the travel way. This could be rectified through increased enforcement with warnings issued to oversized vehicles notifying owners that if their car does not fit in the space, it should park elsewhere (in a surface lot or parallel parking space). This could be included as part of the parking ambassador program recommended.

New Parking Facilities

Some online survey respondents stated the City should build a new parking facility (for example a parking garage or another surface lot). **Walker does not recommend the City build a new parking facility.** Most customers and visitors to downtown Benicia choose to park on First Street near their destination (and most reported they are able to find parking relatively quickly). Considering existing surface parking lots go underutilized most of the day, it is likely any new facility would follow the same parking patterns.

Further, the significant capital and operations cost of building a new parking facility would outweigh the public benefit, given the availability of existing downtown parking. Instead, the City should implement an employee parking program, create public-private partnerships to share parking, enforce existing regulations, and encourage alternative modes of transportation to better manage parking demand. Further, implementing a dockless bikes-

⁸ Note that the draft Solano Transportation Authority Active Transportation Plan calls for a bike lane on East H Street, which could limit the potential for angled parking in the right-of-way.

⁹ Additional parking spaces from angled parking are approximates. The City should undertake a comprehensive review to determine exact numbers and evaluate feasibility of conversion.

hese program could encourage the use of parking on Second Street, which has a significant amount of available spaces throughout the day.

3. Pickup/Drop-off Space

While activity by Transportation Network Companies (TNCs), such as Uber and Lyft, is relatively low in downtown Benicia, the rise in TNC usage is dramatically rising across the country. Both large and small cities are seeing an uptick in TNCs as a mode of travel.

Downtown Benicia has been seeing an increase in restaurants, bars, and nightlife within downtown. With these types of activities, the use of TNCs to arrive or depart a destination is likely to increase. While usage is minimal now, it is important for the City to consider how these uses may impact future travel in downtown.

The biggest impact of TNCs is typically the number of pickup/drop-offs these services conduct. If there is not a designated space for this, TNCs often double park or park illegally, potentially causing safety hazards or blocking travel lanes. When TNC activity increases, **the City should consider providing designated pickup/drop-off space along First Street** to aid in deterring illegal parking or stopping by TNC vehicles.

These pickup/drop-off zones may also be utilized by deliveries during off-peak hours, which may also help ensure that delivery trucks and drivers do not block travel lanes and have a safe space to unload.

Since First Street is approximately 0.7 miles long, a pickup/drop-off space should be provided in at least two or three locations to provide service to both ends of downtown.



4. Special Event Parking

It is understood that the potential redevelopment of the E Street Lot may have a significant impact on those who utilize the lot for special event parking. Outside of special events, this lot experiences very low utilization during typical weekdays and weekends, with only a few cars at any given time.

With the lot's close proximity to downtown and low utilizations, it is reasonable to consider this lot for uses other than parking. However, with the high demands experienced during special events, such as the Thursday Farmer's Market, it is important to plan for how this parking will be redistributed in downtown on these event days. It is assumed that any new development on this site would self-park and not spill over into the public supply.

Event Parking Management Plan

The City should consider developing a parking management plan specifically for events. This plan may include designated areas visitors will be encouraged to park during these events. If the City develops the East E Street lot,

it will likely need to accommodate approximately 107± vehicles (the number of vehicles parked during peak parking for the Thursday Farmer's Market).

Public-Private Partnerships

As part of this plan, the City should encourage developing public-private partnerships with privately-owned parking lots to assist with event parking. As mentioned in the employee parking section above, some of the East F Street lot could be utilized during events. This lot experiences relatively low occupancies in the afternoon and evening hours. During the 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. count, only 33 spaces were utilized (36%), and 31 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (34%). With Farmer's Market beginning at 4:00 p.m., this lot could be incrementally opened up to Farmer's Market visitors or vendors as other businesses that use this lot during the early weekday hours begin to leave. With 92 spaces available in this lot, and only approximately 10 spaces utilized after 6:00 p.m., it is estimated that at least 50 to 80 Farmer's Market visitors could use this lot throughout the evening. However, if downtown employees are given permits for this lot, this number may be lower depending on how many spaces are reserved for employees during these hours.

Just north of downtown is Solano Square is a shopping center that hosts a Safeway, Rite Aid, and several small stores and restaurants. When conducting field data collection, Walker observed available parking in Solano Square's large parking lot (this lot was not included in the analysis area and therefore was not counted). This is another potential lot that could be ideal for a public-private partnership to provide additional parking during events. The City could request to lease a set number of designated spaces.

Underutilized Streets and Lots

East and West Second Streets both experienced low occupancies throughout the day on both weekdays and weekends. These streets may also be possible locations for visitors to park during events. During the peak, there were approximately 200 parking spaces available on East and West Second Streets.

Additionally, the public lot at Benicia Point along the waterfront also experienced low occupancies throughout the day and may be a good space to encourage visitors to park during events.

Further, there are several City-owned parking lots in the area between Military and K Street and West and East 2nd Street that may go underutilized during peak parking times.¹⁰ When not in use by the park and Civic Center, the City should consider opening these lots to the public to accommodate peak parking demand on evenings and weekends and during special events. Further, the City could explore a partnerships with the Veterans Memorial Hall to find opportunities to open their parking lot to the public.

Additional Parking Supply

As described previously, if new angled spaces are created in downtown on side streets, this would increase the overall supply in downtown. This increase in spaces could off-set the loss of parking in the E Street lot during events.

¹⁰ This area was outside of Walker's study area, however through discussions with the City Walker understands there are opportunities for additional customer and visitor parking during peak times and special events.

Long-Term Strategies

1. Bike Lanes on First Street

Currently, First Street from E Street to the Peninsula Pier is a designated bike route. However, the entire First Street corridor currently has bicycle lane infrastructure indicated via shared lane markings on First Street (bike sharrows) and signage. With the existing bicycle activity as well as the potential of increased cyclists from the Carquinez Straight Scenic Loop Trail bike trail alignment that is expected to increase bicycle tourism as well as additional dockless bike and scooter activity, **the City should consider reconfiguring First Street to include bike lanes.**

Generally, First Street has approximately 80 feet of right-of-way. This includes two 16-foot travel lanes and two 15-foot sidewalks, and two nine-foot wide parking lanes along the curb. Based on a preliminary review, this is sufficient space to provide bike lanes by restriping the roadway.

Using the tool Streetmix, Walker developed a high-level, conceptual mockup of adding bike lanes to First Street. It is recommended that these lanes border the curb, with parking used as a buffer between the bike lane and travel lane. This provides an additional level of protection for cyclists from vehicles traveling on First Street. However, if parking along the curb is maintained or if flex space/parklets are considered on First Street along the curb, bike lanes should be designed between the travel lane and parking lane. **In general, it is recommended that any configuration of bike lanes include a buffer between the bike lane and travel lane.** An example is shown in Figure 38.

A two-way cycle track could also be potentially provided on one side of the street, though it would provide bicycle travel in both directions.

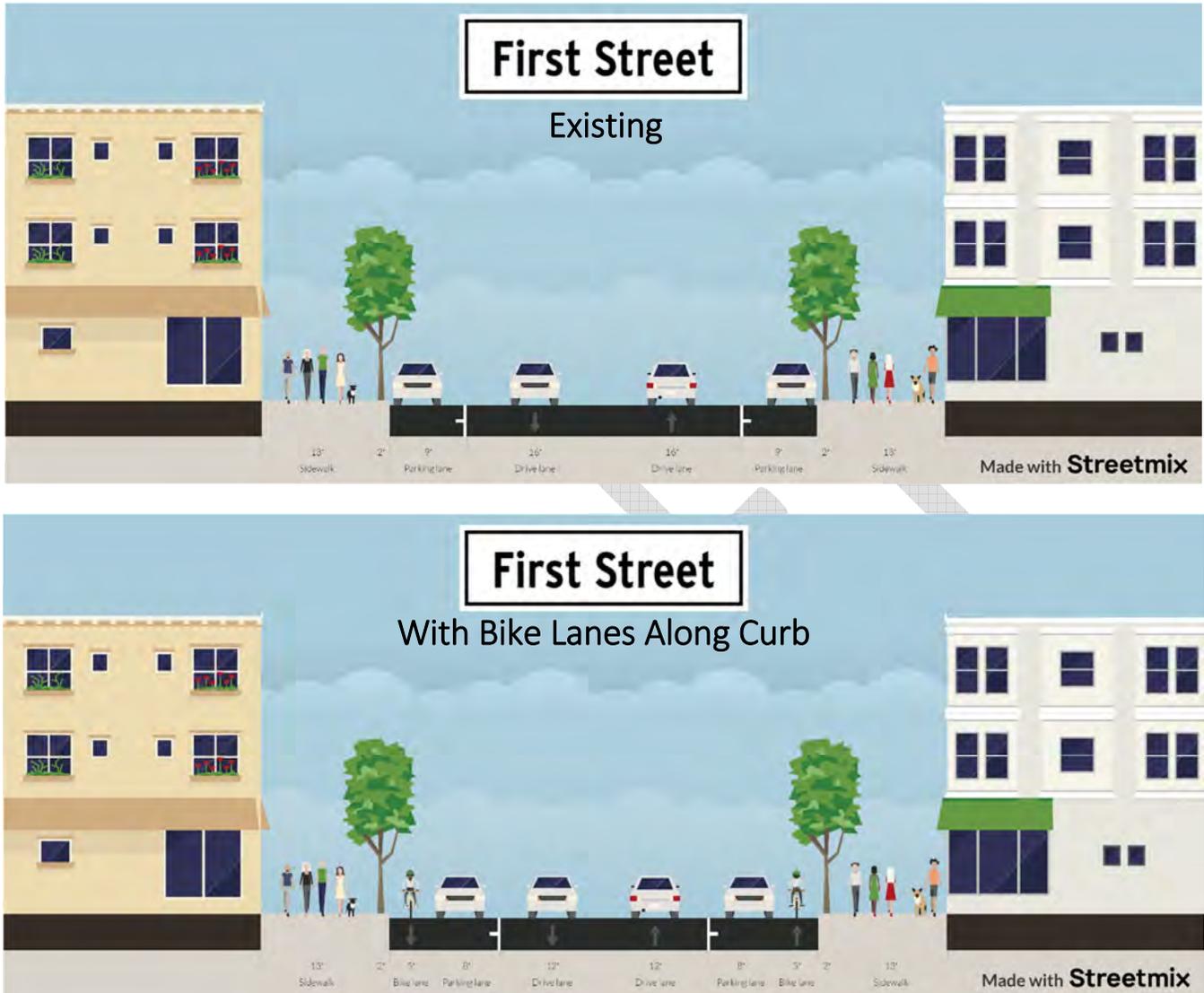
Figure 38: Example of Buffered Bike Lane



Source: www.pedibikeimages.org/DanBurden

Adding bike lanes on First Street would require slightly reducing the width of both the travel and parking lanes. However, providing designated bike lanes will create a more comfortable biking environment and help encourage the use of these modes as well as reduce the need for driving and parking. Bike lanes would also provide street calming effects, helping reduce speeds of vehicles on the roadway, which creates a more comfortable environment for both bikers and pedestrians. Figure 39 provides a conceptual graphic comparing the existing configuration of First Street and First Street with bike lanes, created using Streetmix.

Figure 39: First Street Bikes Lanes Conceptual Mockup



Source: Streetmix, 2019; Walker Consultants, 2019

In general, the City has a notable amount of right-of-way on First Street to provide premium bike and pedestrian facilities. The City should work closely with transportation planners and engineers to develop and evaluate various alternatives and bike configurations on the roadway. This is in line with existing plans including the draft Solano Transportation Authority Active Transportation Plan that calls for a Class IV separated bike lane on First Street.

Back-In Angle Parking with Bike Lanes

Another option the City of Benicia should consider is converting parking on First Street to back-in angle parking. Back-in angle parking is designed similarly to a typical, pull-in, angled space, except that vehicles back-in to the

space instead of pulling in. To back-in to a space, vehicles stop and signal that they are going to park in that space, then pull slightly past the space, and finally back-in to the space.

Back-in angle parking has numerous benefits. For starters, it creates more bike and pedestrian-friendly streets while still being able to provide more parking capacity.

According to the Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center (PBIC)¹¹, back-in angled parking has the following benefits:

- Provides motorists with better vision of bicyclists, pedestrians, cars, and trucks as they exit a parking space and enter moving traffic.
- Eliminates some risks associated with parallel parking, e.g. motorist may open the car door into the path of a bicyclist.
- Removes difficulty for drivers, especially older drivers, when backing into moving traffic.
- Increased parking capacity (10 to 12 feet of curb space per vehicle versus 22 feet for parallel spaces).
- Clear sightlines when pulling out.
- Ease of loading and unloading cargo and children in/out of car seats. Trunks of cars are now facing the sidewalk versus the street with on-coming traffic.
- Protection for children because the open car door now directs young children back to point of safety rather than out into the street.

Additional benefits include:

- Back-in parking helps visually narrow the roadway, providing a traffic-calming effect, reducing speeds.
- Decrease in collisions as drivers no longer have to back out blindly.
- Increase in space as back-in parking does not require as much space to maneuver as traditional angle parking, which may increase number of spaces or additional room for sidewalks, bike lanes, etc.

An example of back-in parking with bike lanes, located on Old Roadway Highway in Windsor, California, is shown in Figure 40.

¹¹ The Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center (PBIC) is a government organization supported by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and housed within the UNC Highway Safety Research Center. Their mission has been to improve quality of life in communities through the increase of safe walking and bicycling as a viable means of transportation and physical activity.

Figure 40: Back-In Angle Parking with Bike Lanes Example - Windsor, CA



Source: *Google Maps*, 2019

Back-in parking may also be designed with the bike lane along the curb, using the parking as a buffer between bikes and traffic. This is shown in an example from San Francisco, California, in Figure 41.

Figure 41: Back-in Angle Parking Example - San Francisco, CA



Source: SFMTA accessed via: <https://www.sfmta.com/blog/back-angled-parking-meets-bike-lane>, 2019

The biggest challenge of back-in parking is educating community members. Signage should be provided indicating that the spaces are back-in only and the step-by-step process of how to park in the space.

The City may also provide educational materials prior to the implementation of back-in materials to inform the community when it will be implemented and how to properly park. Parking ambassadors may also assist during initial implementation in directing people in how to park and be available for questions.

In general, back-in angled parking requires very similar maneuvers as parallel parking. So, while the style of parking would likely be intimidating and unfamiliar to parkers using it the first time, they would likely gradually be able to learn and adjust to this type of parking, just as they did while learning to parallel park.

Back-in angle parking may also be considered on side-streets. The PBIC recommends installing back-in parking first on side-streets in order to give the community time to adjust and learn to park correctly in these spaces. Once the

community is comfortable with how to park in back-in spaces on a lower volume street, it may then be implemented on main streets with greater ease of adoption.

An example of the type of signage that should be provided with back-in parking is shown in Figure 42.

Figure 42: Back-In Parking Signage Example



Pilot Projects

One of the most effective methods of presenting new treatment options on the roadway is to organize a pilot program and test of the proposed changes, such as parklets and bike lanes. This would include a temporary installation of the proposed treatment.

A pilot program would allow community members to interact and engage with the treatment and provide feedback on their experience. This feedback would allow for adjustments to be made to the proposed treatment in order to best serve the corridor and community prior to more permanent implementation. Opportunities for pilot projects include:

- **Flex Spaces:** Test flex spaces with businesses and other entities for a six to nine month trial. The City could also partner with Benicia High School or another entity to have a “Park (ing) Day” contest. Park (ing) Day is a grass-roots event where people redesign parking spaces into places for people for a few hours of the day. The redesign uses low-cost temporary materials such as AstroTurf and lawn chairs.

- **Bike Infrastructure:** Setting temporary bike lanes using paint, traffic cones, and/or plastic removable bollards to evaluate needs, use, and any issues before permanent implementation.
- **Parking Ambassador:** A one-year parking ambassador program to determine the effect in moving long-term parkers off of First Street.
- **Employee Parking Plan:** Phasing an employee parking plan with ten businesses to understand where employees park and evaluate effect before rolling out downtown-wide.

Figure 43: Example of Bike Lane Pilot



Source: BikeArlington.

Figure 44: Example of a Temporary Flex Space Using Astroturf and Lawn Furniture



Source: Streetsblog.

Appendix A – Parking Occupancy Counts

DRAFT

Saturday, June 22, 2019, Parking Occupancy Counts

Street	Boundaries	Side	Inventory				10AM - 12PM				12PM - 2PM				2PM - 4PM				4PM - 6PM				6PM - 8PM			
			3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%
1st St	East K St & East J St	East	11			5			45%	9			82%	9			82%	6			55%	8			73%	
	West K St & West J St	West	10	1		9			82%	8			73%	9			82%	8	1		82%	7			64%	
	East J St & East I St	East	9	1		8			80%	9			90%	7			70%	10			100%	10			100%	
	West J St & West I St	West	10	1		10			91%	8			73%	9			82%	11			100%	11			100%	
	East I St & East H St	East	7	1		7			88%	7		1	100%	7	1		100%	7			88%	8			100%	
	West I St & West H St	West	10			10			100%	9			90%	9			90%	10			100%	10			100%	
	East H St & East G St	East	8	1		8	0		89%	8	0		89%	8	1		100%	8	1		100%	9			100%	
	West H St & St West G St	West	10			9			90%	9			90%	10			100%	10			100%	10			100%	
	East G St & East F St	East	10	1		10	1		100%	8	0		73%	9			82%	4			36%	10			91%	
	West G St & West F St	West	12			8			67%	10			83%	11			92%	9			75%	11			92%	
	East F St & East E St	East	8	2		5	0		50%	6	0		60%	5			50%	8	2		100%	9			90%	
	West F St & West E St	West	10			7			70%	10			100%	10			100%	10			100%	9			90%	
	East E St & East D St	East	9			8			89%	7			78%	8			89%	9			100%	9			100%	
	West E St & West D St	West	11	1		9	1		83%	11			92%	11			92%	11			92%	11			92%	
	East D St & East B St	East	23	1		23			96%	23			96%	22			92%	21			88%	21			88%	
	West D St & West C St	West	5	1		5	1		100%	5		1	100%	5			83%	5	1		100%	5	1		100%	
	East B St & Circle	East	20			20			100%	20			100%	18			90%	15			75%	20			100%	
West C St & Circle	West	30		1	30	0	1	100%	30		1	100%	30		1	100%	25			81%	30			97%		
Circle & Pier	North	39		2	9			22%	8			20%	10			24%	12		2	34%	18			44%		
Circle & Pier	South	24		-	9			38%	8			33%	8			33%	10			42%	7			29%		
Lettered Streets		Side	Unrestricted	Limited	ADA	Unrestricted				Unrestricted				Unrestricted												
West J St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	25			13			52%	17			68%	21			84%	21			84%	23			92%	
		South	24			14			58%	17			71%	16			67%	21			88%	19			79%	
East J St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	20			8			40%	12			60%	16			80%	11			55%	10			50%	
		South	23		1	13		0	54%	20		0	83%	17		0	71%	13			54%	12			50%	
West I St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	26			22			85%	23			88%	20			77%	21			81%	20			77%	
		South	22		1	18		0	78%	14		0	61%	14		0	61%	12		1	57%	13		1	61%	
East I St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	24			15			63%	21			88%	17			71%	20			83%	15			63%	
		South	25			20			80%	17			68%	18			72%	16			64%	16			64%	
West H St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	25			19			76%	19			76%	19			76%	21			84%	20			80%	
		South	31			16			52%	30			97%	24			77%	25			81%	25			81%	
East H St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	20	1		11			52%	15			71%	12			57%	13			62%	17			81%	
		South	24		1	12			48%	17			68%	21			84%	21			84%	22			88%	
West G St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	22	3	1	14	0	0	54%	17	0	0	65%	10	0	0	38%	11			42%	16			62%	
		South	26			18			69%	23			88%	21			81%	17			65%	18			69%	
East G St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	26			25			96%	23			88%	23			88%	27			104%	24			92%	
		South	23			21			91%	17			74%	18			78%	20			87%	19			83%	
West F St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	44			28			64%	30			68%	27			61%	26			59%	28			64%	
		South	28		1	12		0	41%	12		0	41%	13		0	45%	12			41%	13			45%	
East F St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	30		1	18			58%	15			48%	16			52%	16		1	55%	14			45%	
		South	36		1	20			54%	24			65%	28			76%	20			54%	16			43%	
West E St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	14			7			50%	13			93%	11			79%	10			71%	12			86%	
		South	15			6			40%	13			87%	14			93%	13			87%	12			80%	
East E St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	12			8			67%	8			67%	7			58%	9			75%	13			108%	
		South	13			8			62%	8			62%	6			46%	11			85%	10			77%	
West D St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	15			10			67%	12			80%	13			87%	14			93%	12			80%	
		South	13		1	8			57%	9			64%	10			71%	11			79%	9			64%	
East D St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	28		1	28			97%	27			93%	30			103%	9			31%	16			55%	
		South	26			24			92%	26			100%	22			85%	10			38%	13			50%	
West C St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	9			8			89%	8			89%	8			89%	8			89%	8			89%	
		South	5	4	1	5			50%	8			80%	6			60%	6			60%	7			70%	
East B St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	19			11			58%	16			84%	15			79%	17			89%	18			95%	
		South	16			5			31%	9			56%	7			44%	16			100%	17			106%	



Saturday, June 22, 2019, Parking Occupancy Counts

Street	Boundaries	Side	Inventory				10AM - 12PM				12PM - 2PM				2PM - 4PM				4PM - 6PM				6PM - 8PM				
			3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	
2nd St																											
West 2nd St	West K St & West J St	West	11			2			18%	2			18%	4			36%	3			27%	8			73%		
		East	11			0			0%	0			0%	6			55%	5			45%	6			55%		
	West J St & West I St	West	11			2			18%	2			18%	0			0%	0			0%	0			0%		
		East	11			5			45%	5			45%	0			0%	0			0%	0			0%		
	West I St & West H St	West	11			0			0%	0			0%	1			9%	0			0%	0			0%		
		East	9			2			22%	2			22%	0			0%	2			22%	2			22%		
East 2nd St	West H & St West G St	West	11			2			18%	2			18%	0			0%	0			0%	6			55%		
		East	12			4			33%	5			42%	4			33%	4			33%	6			50%		
	East K St & East J St	West	10			6			60%	5			50%	9			90%	4			40%	0			0%		
		East	9			5			56%	3			33%	7			78%	5			56%	1			11%		
	East J St & East I St	West	11			4			36%	4			36%	9			82%	9			82%	5			45%		
		East	16			0			0%	0			0%	8			50%	4			25%	0			0%		
East 2nd St	East I St & East H St	West	11			5			45%	4			36%	6			55%	5			45%	3			27%		
		East	14			3			21%	4			29%	6			43%	2			14%	1			7%		
	East H St & East F St	West	20			8			40%	1			5%	0			0%	5			25%	2			10%		
		East	23			2			9%	2			9%	1			4%	2			9%	2			9%		
East 2nd St	East E St & East B St	West	41			23			56%	25			61%	28			68%	33			80%	22			54%		
		East	50			19			38%	18			36%	21			42%	47			94%	22			44%		
Off-Street		Type			ADA																						
A	East D St Permit Only Lot	Permit	24			1				15			60%	18			72%	14			56%	11			44%		
B	Public E Street Lot	Public	118							5			4%	7			6%	11			9%	8			7%		
C	F St Lot Customer Only	Private	88			4				17			18%	17			18%	10			11%	9			10%		
D	West F St Lot South Customer	Private	9							3			33%	7			78%	4			44%	7			78%		
E	West F St Lot North	Private	19			2				1			5%	3			14%	5			24%	0			0%		
F	West F St North Private	Private	13			2				10			3			87%	4			27%	3			20%	3		20%
G	East H St Lot	Public	13							13			100%	13			100%	13			100%	13			100%		
H	West H St Lot	Private	28			1				6			21%	18			62%	13			45%	8			28%		
I	West I St Lot	Private	23			1				17			71%	12			50%	14			58%	7			29%		
J	Public East B St Dirt Lot Near Water	Public	48			3				12			1	25%	23			2	49%	20			18			4	43%
SUMMARY																											
Total	On-Street Parking		Inventory																								
	Off-Street Parking		1309			770			59%	839			64%	848			65%	846			65%	828			63%		
	All Parking		397			103			26%	124			31%	107			27%	88			22%	105			26%		
			1706			873			51%	963			56%	955			56%	934			55%	933			55%		



Tuesday, June 25, 2019, Parking Occupancy Counts

Street	Boundaries	Side	Inventory				10AM - 12PM				12PM - 2PM				2PM - 4PM				4PM - 6PM				6PM - 8PM			
			3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%
1st St	East K St & East J St	East	11			8			73%	10			91%	8			73%	9			82%	10			91%	
	West K St & West J St	West	10	1		8			73%	8			73%	7			64%	8	1		82%	8	1		82%	
	East J St & East I St	East	9	1		8			80%	9	1		100%	8	1		90%	8	1		90%	6	1		70%	
	West J St & West I St	West	10	1		10			91%	9	1		91%	9	1		91%	9	1		91%	9	1		91%	
	East I St & East H St	East	7	1		7	1		100%	7	1		100%	7	1		100%	6	1		88%	4			50%	
	West I St & West H St	West	10			10			100%	10			100%	10			100%	8			80%	9			90%	
	East H St & East G St	East	8	1		4			44%	9			100%	8	1		100%	8			89%	5			56%	
	West H St & West G St	West	10			7			70%	9			90%	5			50%	8			80%	9			90%	
	East G St & East F St	East	10	1		8			73%	9			82%	8	1		82%	8	1		82%	10			91%	
	West G St & West F St	West	12			10	1		92%	11	1		100%	11	1		100%	12	1		100%	11			92%	
	East F St & East E St	East	8	2		4	2		60%	9			90%	8	1		90%	3			30%	6			60%	
	West F St & West E St	West	10			10			100%	10			100%	10			100%	10			100%	5			50%	
	East E St & East D St	East	9			8			89%	8			89%	4			44%	4			44%	5			56%	
	West E St & West D St	West	11	1		9	1		83%	5			42%	7			58%	7			58%	10			83%	
	East D St & East B St	East	23	1		18			75%	20			83%	18			75%	18			75%	21			88%	
	West D St & West C St	West	5	1		3	1		67%	6			100%	5			83%	3			50%	5			83%	
	East B St & Circle	East	20			8			40%	17			85%	10			50%	11			55%	18			90%	
West C St & Circle	West	30		1	7			23%	12			39%	16			52%	10			32%	15			48%		
Circle & Pier	North	39		2	2			5%	13			32%	10			24%	5			12%	10			24%		
Circle & Pier	South	24		-	3			13%	3			13%	6			25%	3			13%	0			0%		
Lettered Streets		Side	Unrestricted	Limited	ADA	Unrestricted	Limited	ADA	%	Unrestricted																
West J St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	25			17			68%	16			64%	15			60%	17			68%	19			76%	
		South	24			16			67%	15			63%	16			67%	14			58%	18			75%	
East J St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	20			14			70%	13			65%	10			50%	12			60%	16			80%	
		South	23		1	18			75%	21			88%	16			67%	22			92%	21			88%	
West I St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	26			19			73%	19			73%	19			73%	19			73%	23			88%	
		South	22		1	10			43%	18		1	83%	6			26%	10			43%	11		1	52%	
East I St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	24			14			58%	21			88%	17			71%	17			71%	20			83%	
		South	25			20			80%	25			100%	19			76%	19			76%	21			84%	
West H St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	25			17			68%	19			76%	16			64%	15			60%	13			52%	
		South	31			13			42%	21			68%	27			87%	14			45%	19			61%	
East H St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	20	1		13			62%	13	1		67%	14			67%	13			62%	11			52%	
		South	24		1	17			68%	16		1	68%	17			68%	18		1	76%	13			52%	
West G St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	22	3	1	8	3		42%	9	3	1	50%	11	2		50%	6			23%	7			27%	
		South	26			14			54%	19			73%	16			62%	17			65%	17			65%	
East G St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	26			14			54%	17			65%	20			77%	19			73%	23			88%	
		South	23			15			65%	18			78%	15			65%	15			65%	17			74%	
West F St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	44			27			61%	21			48%	19			43%	22			50%	11			25%	
		South	28		1	12			41%	12			41%	15			52%	18			62%	17			59%	
East F St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	30		1	15			48%	16			52%	18			58%	17		1	58%	20			65%	
		South	36		1	18		1	51%	22			59%	23			62%	22		1	62%	17			46%	
West E St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	14			4			29%	5			36%	2			14%	2			14%	4			29%	
		South	15			8			53%	6			40%	6			40%	4			27%	6			40%	
East E St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	12			9			75%	10			83%	20			167%	7			58%	6			50%	
		South	13			7			54%	10			77%	22			169%	7			54%	7			54%	
West D St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	15			8			53%	13			87%	15			100%	15			100%	13			87%	
		South	13		1	5			36%	9		1	71%	9			64%	12			86%	13			93%	
East D St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	28		1	21			72%	18			62%	19			66%	13			45%	9			31%	
		South	26			18			69%	20			77%	17			65%	10			38%	9			35%	
West C St	1st St & West 2nd St	North	9			9			100%	9			100%	9			100%	7			78%	7			78%	
		South	5	4	1	5			50%	8			80%	7			70%	8			80%	7			70%	
East B St	1st St & East 2nd St	North	19			10			53%	13			68%	13			68%	12			63%	15			79%	
		South	16			5			31%	12			75%	5			31%	7			44%	15			94%	

Tuesday, June 25, 2019, Parking Occupancy Counts

Street	Boundaries	Side	Inventory				10AM - 12PM				12PM - 2PM				2PM - 4PM				4PM - 6PM				6PM - 8PM			
			3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%	3-HR	30-MIN	ADA	%
2nd St																										
West 2nd St	West K St & West J St	West	11			2			18%	2			18%	0			0%	4			36%	4			36%	
		East	11			3			27%	2			18%	3			27%	4			36%	4			36%	
	West J St & West I St	West	11			4			36%	1			9%	1			9%	1			9%	1			9%	
		East	11			3			27%	1			9%	0			0%	2			18%	0			0%	
	West I St & West H St	West	11			2			18%	3			27%	3			27%	2			18%	2			18%	
		East	9			3			33%	2			22%	1			11%	0			0%	2			22%	
West H & St West G St	West	11			1			9%	1			9%	2			18%	5			45%	3			27%		
	East	12			0			0%	2			17%	4			33%	4			33%	5			42%		
East 2nd St	East K St & East J St	West	10			7			70%	8			80%	6			60%	4			40%	8			80%	
		East	9			7			78%	8			89%	3			33%	4			44%	8			89%	
	East J St & East I St	West	11			4			36%	6			55%	7			64%	6			55%	7			64%	
		East	16			2			13%	6			38%	1			6%	5			31%	7			44%	
	East I St & East H St	West	11			3			27%	6			55%	6			55%	6			55%	4			36%	
		East	14			3			21%	5			36%	3			21%	4			29%	6			43%	
	East H St & East F St	West	20			5			25%	6			30%	7			35%	9			45%	9			45%	
		East	23			2			9%	2			9%	2			9%	4			17%	2			9%	
East E St & East B St	West	41			15			37%	16			39%	12			29%	12			29%	16			39%		
	East	50			12			24%	12			24%	12			24%	15			30%	11			22%		
Off-Street																										
		Type			ADA																					
A	East D St Permit Only Lot	Permit	24		1	16			64%	14			56%	11			44%	7			28%	10			40%	
B	Public E Street Lot	Public	118			1			1%	4			3%	5			4%	2			2%	2			2%	
C	F St Lot Customer Only	Private	88		4	32		1	36%	38			41%	32		1	36%	29		2	34%	10		1	12%	
D	West F St Lot South Customer	Private	9			3			33%	4			44%	6			67%	5			56%	4			44%	
E	West F St Lot North	Private	19		2	17			81%	16			76%	10			48%	10			48%	8			38%	
F	West F St North Private	Private	13		2	8			53%	8			53%	10			67%	10			67%	4			27%	
G	East H St Lot	Public	13			4			31%	6			46%	4			31%	5			38%	4			31%	
H	West H St Lot	Private	28		1	12			41%	14			48%	14		1	52%	10			34%	8			28%	
I	West I St Lot	Private	23		1	17			71%	12			50%	14			58%	18			75%	12			50%	
J	Public East B St Dirt Lot Near Water	Public	48		3	21			41%	28		2	59%	23		2	49%	25			49%	44		3	92%	
SUMMARY																										
Total	On-Street Parking		Inventory							%	Peak							%								%
			1309			660			50%	778			59%	730			56%	687			52%	724			55%	
	Off-Street Parking		397			132			33%	146			37%	133			34%	123			31%	110			28%	
	All Parking		1706			792			46%	924			54%	863			51%	810			47%	834			49%	

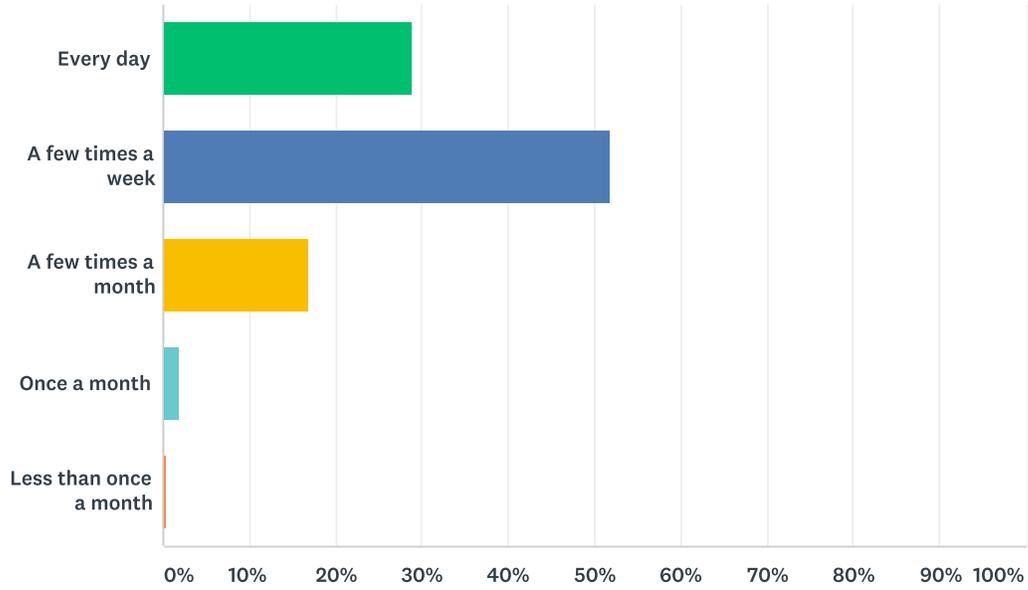


Appendix B – Online Survey Results

DRAFT

Q1 How often do you visit Downtown Benicia?

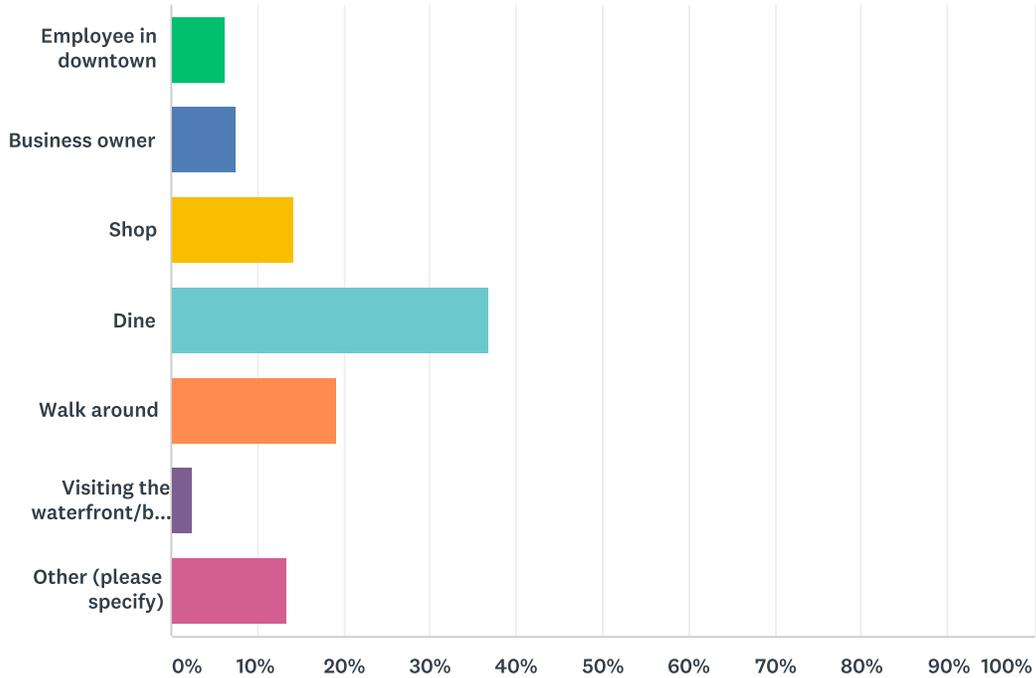
Answered: 433 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Every day	28.87%	125
A few times a week	51.96%	225
A few times a month	16.86%	73
Once a month	1.85%	8
Less than once a month	0.46%	2
TOTAL		433

Q2 What is the main reason you visit Downtown Benicia?

Answered: 433 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Employee in downtown	6.24%	27
Business owner	7.62%	33
Shop	14.32%	62
Dine	36.72%	159
Walk around	19.17%	83
Visiting the waterfront/beach	2.54%	11
Other (please specify)	13.39%	58
TOTAL		433

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	haircut	8/19/2019 9:24 AM
2	combination, shop, dine, waterfront	8/19/2019 3:12 AM
3	Spa	8/18/2019 10:57 AM
4	walk and to buy bread at Farm & Flour	8/18/2019 4:43 AM
5	Live near there	8/18/2019 2:35 AM
6	I live in 1st St	8/18/2019 1:15 AM
7	We manage Avant Garden on First St.	8/18/2019 1:03 AM
8	walk,shop,bank and dine	8/17/2019 6:24 AM
9	Live here downtown for many reasons	8/17/2019 2:47 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

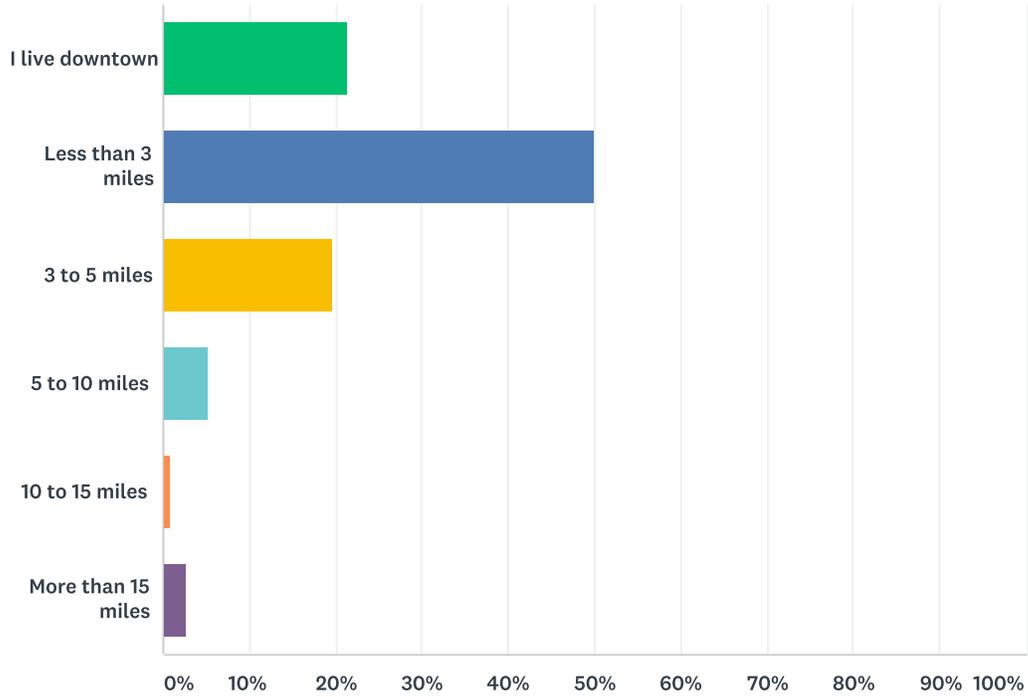
10	I live there	8/16/2019 11:01 AM
11	All the above	8/16/2019 10:06 AM
12	Love our little town.	8/16/2019 9:44 AM
13	Reside in downtown	8/16/2019 9:34 AM
14	Visit Benicia Fitness	8/16/2019 9:30 AM
15	Carquinez Vilage activities, and Farmer's Market	8/16/2019 8:05 AM
16	Resident	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
17	all of the above...Family home is 1/2 block off main st.	8/16/2019 5:13 AM
18	I live there	8/16/2019 5:02 AM
19	I live downtown	8/16/2019 4:36 AM
20	My wife and I live downtown	8/16/2019 4:02 AM
21	Live and park downtiwn	8/16/2019 1:10 AM
22	Catch the company Ferry to work	8/16/2019 12:40 AM
23	gym/walks/dining	8/15/2019 2:26 PM
24	Salons, using local businesses.	8/15/2019 2:25 PM
25	Go to hair and nail salons	8/15/2019 11:44 AM
26	I visit downtown Benicia for many reasons, not just one reason. My exercise walk takes me up/down First St. I also go to the Farmers Market Thursday evenings May-October. I enjoy dinner occasionally at favorite restaurants. I also like to visit certain spots frequently to take pictures of the sunrises and sensets because I'm an avid photograher.	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
27	Taking care of a cat colony	8/15/2019 9:24 AM
28	Exercise	8/15/2019 8:06 AM
29	shop, dine, and visit waterfront	8/15/2019 7:12 AM
30	To sell inventory, to shop and visit business owners.	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
31	Church activities	8/14/2019 2:13 PM
32	I live downtown	8/14/2019 1:05 PM
33	Dine and business appointments	8/14/2019 12:26 PM
34	I live downtown	8/14/2019 12:02 PM
35	Live downtown	8/14/2019 11:20 AM
36	I live on 1st block west of Main St & shop locally	8/14/2019 11:15 AM
37	Live downtown	8/14/2019 8:16 AM
38	I live off of First Street	8/14/2019 7:26 AM
39	I live downtown	8/14/2019 7:04 AM
40	Doing Business	8/14/2019 5:58 AM
41	Walk the dog, shop, grab a coffee.	8/14/2019 5:30 AM
42	walk, garden	8/14/2019 3:52 AM
43	Church	8/14/2019 1:23 AM
44	I live 1/2 block from First St.	8/13/2019 3:34 PM
45	Live downtown	8/13/2019 2:43 PM
46	Live downtown	8/13/2019 1:04 PM
47	Live there	8/12/2019 12:38 PM
48	Live next to it	8/12/2019 8:49 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

49	Dining, walking and checking out the water	8/12/2019 7:58 AM
50	Visit library	8/12/2019 6:46 AM
51	Swimming at James lemos pool, shopping, Pokémon go	8/12/2019 6:15 AM
52	Massage	8/12/2019 6:10 AM
53	Kiwanis Club Meeting	8/12/2019 5:59 AM
54	St. Paul's church services	8/12/2019 4:28 AM
55	General business	8/12/2019 2:21 AM
56	I live downtown	8/12/2019 2:14 AM
57	live there	8/11/2019 10:25 AM
58	resident	8/11/2019 9:56 AM

Q3 How far do you typically travel to get to Downtown Benicia?

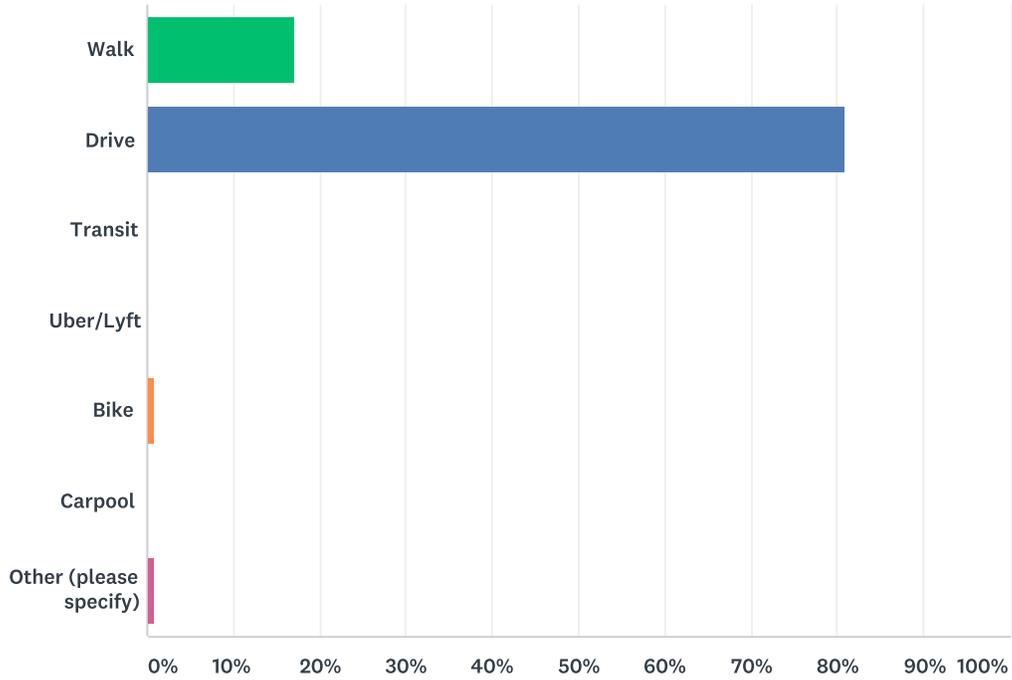
Answered: 432 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I live downtown	21.30%	92
Less than 3 miles	50.00%	216
3 to 5 miles	19.68%	85
5 to 10 miles	5.32%	23
10 to 15 miles	0.93%	4
More than 15 miles	2.78%	12
TOTAL		432

Q4 How do you normally travel to Downtown Benicia?

Answered: 433 Skipped: 2

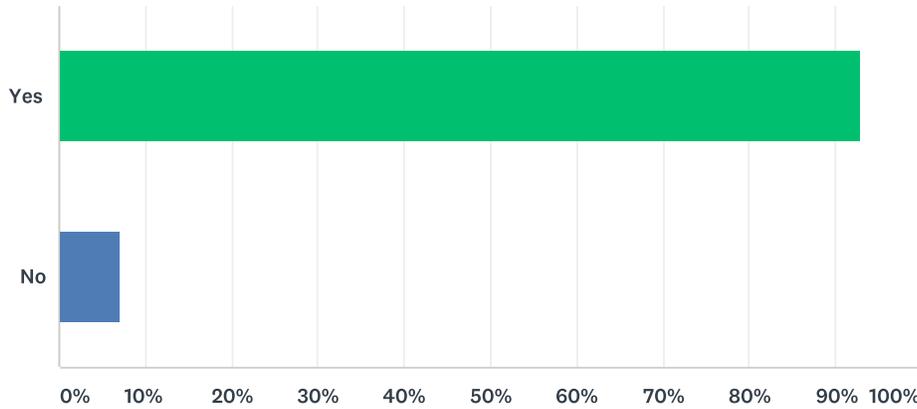


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	17.09%	74
Drive	81.06%	351
Transit	0.00%	0
Uber/Lyft	0.00%	0
Bike	0.92%	4
Carpool	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	0.92%	4
TOTAL		433

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	walk & drive equally	8/18/2019 4:43 AM
2	Walk~drive ~bike	8/16/2019 10:06 AM
3	90% of the time I drive. So I guess that would be "normal". 10% of the time I park a mile or more away and I walk to First St. as part of my exercise walk.	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
4	Walk and drive	8/13/2019 3:24 AM

Q5 Do you think Downtown Benicia has a comfortable and safe environment for walking around?

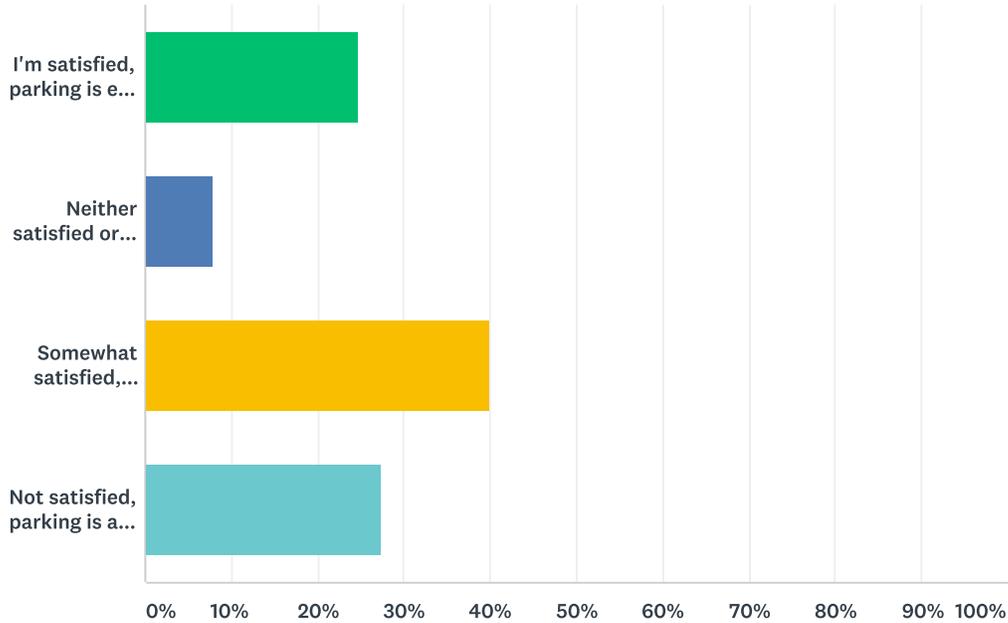
Answered: 432 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	92.82%	401
No	7.18%	31
TOTAL		432

Q6 How would you describe parking in Downtown Benicia?

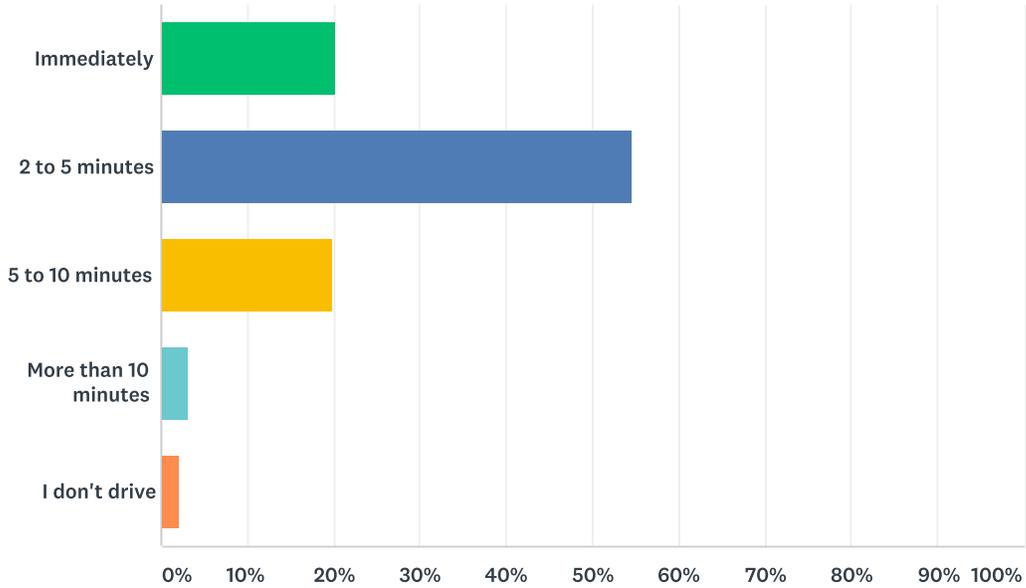
Answered: 433 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I'm satisfied, parking is easy and convenient	24.71%	107
Neither satisfied or dissatisfied	7.85%	34
Somewhat satisfied, parking is convenient some or most of the time	39.95%	173
Not satisfied, parking is a hassle	27.48%	119
TOTAL		433

Q7 How long does it take you to find parking in Downtown Benicia?

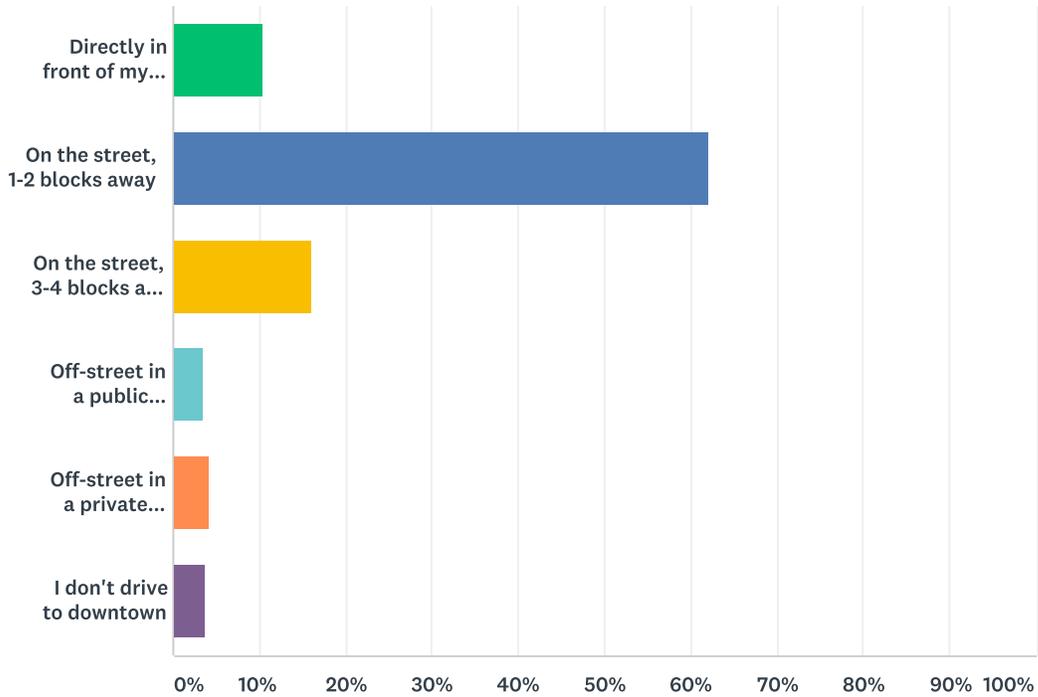
Answered: 433 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Immediately	20.32%	88
2 to 5 minutes	54.50%	236
5 to 10 minutes	19.86%	86
More than 10 minutes	3.23%	14
I don't drive	2.08%	9
TOTAL		433

Q8 When visiting Downtown Benicia, where do you typically park relative to your destination?

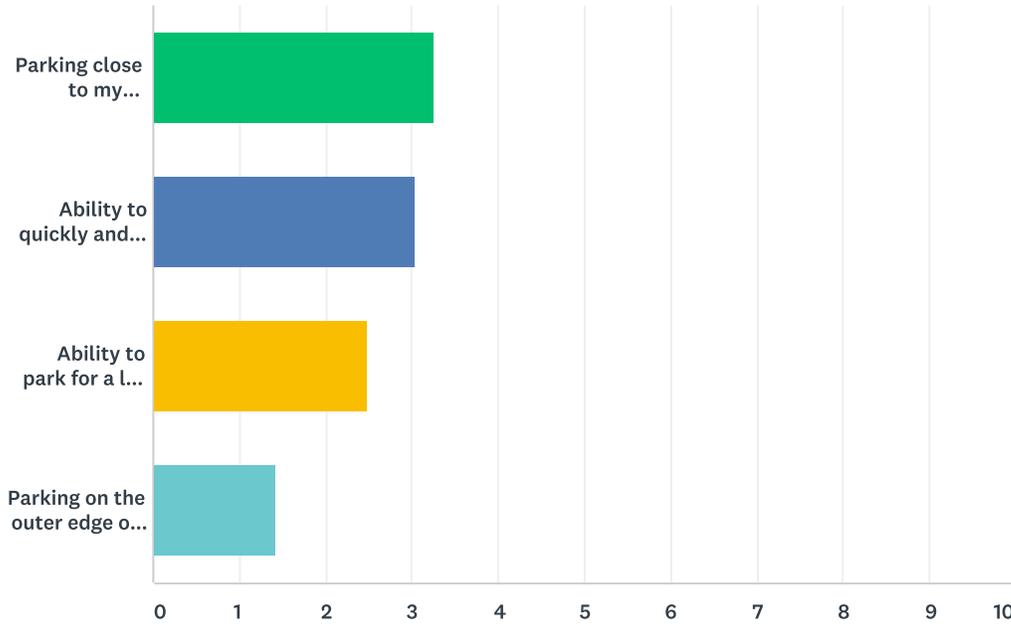
Answered: 432 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Directly in front of my destination	10.42%	45
On the street, 1-2 blocks away	62.04%	268
On the street, 3-4 blocks away	16.20%	70
Off-street in a public surface lot	3.47%	15
Off-street in a private surface lot where parking is provided by the place I'm visiting	4.17%	18
I don't drive to downtown	3.70%	16
TOTAL		432

Q9 How important are the following when making parking decisions in Downtown Benicia? Rank 1, 2, 3, 4, with 1 being the most important and 4 being the least important?

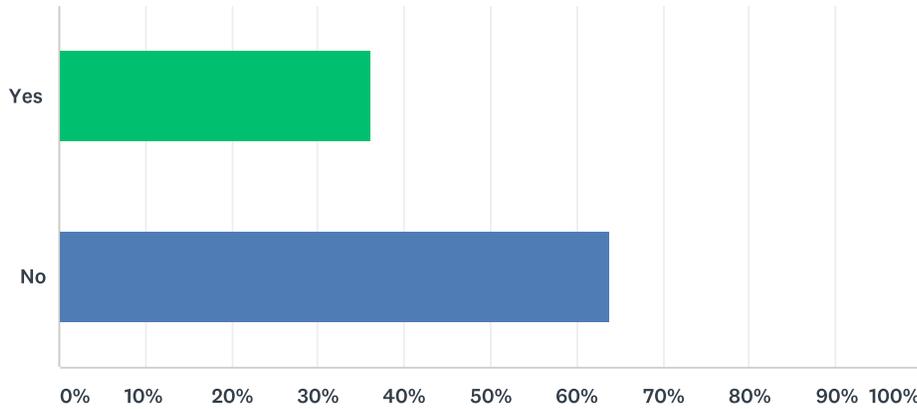
Answered: 430 Skipped: 5



	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	SCORE
Parking close to my destination (within 1 to 2 blocks)	52.73% 203	27.27% 105	13.51% 52	6.49% 25	385	3.26
Ability to quickly and easily find parking, willing to park farther from destination to find a space more quickly	30.59% 119	46.02% 179	20.05% 78	3.34% 13	389	3.04
Ability to park for a long period of time	19.51% 79	21.48% 87	46.42% 188	12.59% 51	405	2.48
Parking on the outer edge of Downtown because I enjoy walking	3.59% 15	7.18% 30	16.51% 69	72.73% 304	418	1.42

Q10 Do you ever leave or decide not to visit downtown Benicia due to the lack of available/convenient parking?

Answered: 433 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	36.26%	157
No	63.74%	276
TOTAL		433

Q11 If you ride a bike to Downtown Benicia, where do you park your bike? (Please specify location)

Answered: 193 Skipped: 242

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	N A	8/24/2019 5:32 AM
2	NA	8/22/2019 12:39 AM
3	N/A	8/21/2019 1:17 PM
4	locked to the tree in front of my business	8/21/2019 12:10 PM
5	N/A there are not secure locations to leave a bike.	8/20/2019 11:01 AM
6	na	8/20/2019 3:00 AM
7	I don't.	8/19/2019 9:11 AM
8	no bike	8/19/2019 5:35 AM
9	N/A	8/19/2019 3:41 AM
10	Don't	8/19/2019 1:36 AM
11	N/a	8/18/2019 8:20 PM
12	I don't, to easy for thieves to take it.	8/18/2019 6:57 AM
13	Keep it with me.	8/18/2019 2:35 AM
14	In front of Avant	8/18/2019 1:32 AM
15	At the community garden.	8/18/2019 1:03 AM
16	not applicable	8/17/2019 1:14 PM
17	No	8/17/2019 3:34 AM
18	Na	8/17/2019 2:47 AM
19	NA	8/17/2019 1:28 AM
20	Not applicable	8/16/2019 4:06 PM
21	N/A	8/16/2019 3:39 PM
22	N/A	8/16/2019 2:32 PM
23	N/A	8/16/2019 1:40 PM
24	I do not ride bikes	8/16/2019 12:12 PM
25	N/A	8/16/2019 11:42 AM
26	N/A I am disabled, so if I can't find parking, I can't visit downtown businesses.	8/16/2019 11:16 AM
27	n/a	8/16/2019 10:41 AM
28	Need more bike racks	8/16/2019 10:35 AM
29	Not applicable	8/16/2019 10:10 AM
30	Wherever I need to	8/16/2019 10:06 AM
31	N/A	8/16/2019 8:45 AM
32	Disabled. Do not ride bikes any more.	8/16/2019 8:24 AM
33	Na	8/16/2019 8:10 AM
34	n/a	8/16/2019 8:01 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

35	The ride down would be great but I would have to mostly walk my bike home. All upgrade, steep!	8/16/2019 7:31 AM
36	i dont ride	8/16/2019 7:25 AM
37	N/A	8/16/2019 6:51 AM
38	Don't ride a bike	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
39	Na. Handicap. You despartely need more handicap and quit blocking the ones you do have with portapotties	8/16/2019 5:52 AM
40	Bike racks	8/16/2019 5:15 AM
41	don't ride a bike anymore. If I did, I probably wouldn't ride downtown as it is dangerous due to traffic and to narrow path on the street and not enough stop signs.	8/16/2019 5:13 AM
42	Don't ride a bike	8/16/2019 5:02 AM
43	Non applicable	8/16/2019 4:53 AM
44	Library	8/16/2019 4:45 AM
45	No	8/16/2019 4:25 AM
46	N/A	8/16/2019 4:04 AM
47	Not applicable	8/16/2019 4:02 AM
48	any ol' spot close to the business or destination, locked up to a post or tree out of the way	8/16/2019 4:01 AM
49	NA	8/16/2019 3:51 AM
50	N/a	8/16/2019 3:50 AM
51	Tannery building	8/16/2019 2:39 AM
52	N/A	8/16/2019 12:46 AM
53	NA	8/16/2019 12:45 AM
54	N/A	8/15/2019 11:59 PM
55	N/a	8/15/2019 10:32 PM
56	Don't ride. Too old and poor balance.	8/15/2019 9:44 PM
57	Do not have a bike	8/15/2019 4:35 PM
58	N/a	8/15/2019 4:31 PM
59	Na	8/15/2019 1:58 PM
60	n/a	8/15/2019 1:33 PM
61	at a my destination	8/15/2019 1:03 PM
62	Not applicable.	8/15/2019 12:46 PM
63	Na	8/15/2019 12:23 PM
64	No	8/15/2019 12:21 PM
65	I typically stay with my bike if I ride it downtown.	8/15/2019 12:17 PM
66	Usually at Lucca on their ramp railing.	8/15/2019 12:16 PM
67	Na	8/15/2019 10:32 AM
68	N/A	8/15/2019 10:16 AM
69	I don't ride a bike.	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
70	no bike	8/15/2019 10:05 AM
71	Na	8/15/2019 9:35 AM
72	na	8/15/2019 9:28 AM
73	Dont	8/15/2019 8:35 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

74	Don't	8/15/2019 8:21 AM
75	I do t park my bike on first street	8/15/2019 8:06 AM
76	N/A	8/15/2019 7:55 AM
77	N/a	8/15/2019 7:44 AM
78	Where there are places I can lock it up	8/15/2019 7:12 AM
79	na	8/15/2019 7:04 AM
80	N/A	8/15/2019 6:40 AM
81	No	8/15/2019 2:04 AM
82	N/A	8/15/2019 1:14 AM
83	N/a	8/15/2019 1:07 AM
84	N/A	8/15/2019 12:45 AM
85	N/a	8/14/2019 11:50 PM
86	N/A	8/14/2019 11:48 PM
87	Don't know of any spaces so when we bike we don't stay and eat for fear of bikes being stolen	8/14/2019 11:43 PM
88	When I bike I don't leave it	8/14/2019 11:18 PM
89	I bring it into my office because of theft.	8/14/2019 10:10 PM
90	I'm unable to ride a bike. To old	8/14/2019 8:18 PM
91	We usually keep them with us. And lean them around wherever we are hanging out	8/14/2019 4:09 PM
92	There's nowhere to leave your bike safely.	8/14/2019 3:15 PM
93	Next to a tree close to shop.	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
94	NA	8/14/2019 2:58 PM
95	N/A	8/14/2019 2:26 PM
96	At my business.	8/14/2019 2:25 PM
97	N/A	8/14/2019 2:20 PM
98	Na	8/14/2019 2:13 PM
99	Na	8/14/2019 2:08 PM
100	n/a	8/14/2019 2:02 PM
101	Don't ride a bike	8/14/2019 1:05 PM
102	No	8/14/2019 12:49 PM
103	We like the bike parking pedestals	8/14/2019 12:44 PM
104	I don't bike	8/14/2019 12:37 PM
105	Do not ride bike I am an out of town visitor	8/14/2019 12:34 PM
106	No	8/14/2019 12:26 PM
107	N/a	8/14/2019 12:21 PM
108	NA	8/14/2019 12:10 PM
109	I don't ride a bike, it got stolen off of my back porch one year. Haven replaced it yet.	8/14/2019 12:02 PM
110	N/A. I don't have a bike	8/14/2019 11:48 AM
111	No bike	8/14/2019 11:36 AM
112	Don't bike	8/14/2019 11:20 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

113	I live downtown, no need to ride bike. A public parking lot in different lots nearby would ease the strain on downtown residents who cannot park near their own homes. That's my main issue. Restaurant realtors and hair stylists park in front of my house for hours! and I don't have a garage so I have to park on the street and share my spot with shoppers.	8/14/2019 11:15 AM
114	On sidewalk outside business I am visiting - locked to a pole or bench	8/14/2019 11:03 AM
115	Na	8/14/2019 10:52 AM
116	Do not bike	8/14/2019 10:23 AM
117	N/A	8/14/2019 10:17 AM
118	NA	8/14/2019 10:13 AM
119	I only drive	8/14/2019 10:05 AM
120	In front of Christina S at bike rack.	8/14/2019 10:04 AM
121	Luccas	8/14/2019 9:55 AM
122	N/A	8/14/2019 9:49 AM
123	nope	8/14/2019 9:30 AM
124	Na	8/14/2019 8:48 AM
125	Na	8/14/2019 8:42 AM
126	dont ride bike	8/14/2019 8:32 AM
127	N/A	8/14/2019 8:31 AM
128	Na	8/14/2019 7:56 AM
129	NA	8/14/2019 7:55 AM
130	Don't bike	8/14/2019 7:26 AM
131	Na	8/14/2019 7:17 AM
132	N/a	8/14/2019 7:08 AM
133	I don't ride my bike because there is not place to park it	8/14/2019 7:04 AM
134	In front of bars	8/14/2019 7:03 AM
135	N/A	8/14/2019 6:52 AM
136	I generally don't park my bike because I haven't found a good place to park it that is out of the way of pedestrians and safe at the same time. I would ride more if there were a few good places to park my bike.	8/14/2019 6:47 AM
137	NA	8/14/2019 6:28 AM
138	N/a	8/14/2019 6:11 AM
139	n/a	8/14/2019 5:58 AM
140	N/a	8/14/2019 5:56 AM
141	I do not ride a bike	8/14/2019 5:37 AM
142	If I ride my bike, I do not park or leave it anywhere.	8/14/2019 5:30 AM
143	Can't ride a bike as I live on top of a hill and it would be impossible to get back up the hill.	8/14/2019 5:26 AM
144	Na	8/14/2019 4:55 AM
145	N/A	8/14/2019 4:41 AM
146	Most often, community garden (first stop)	8/14/2019 4:16 AM
147	na	8/14/2019 4:02 AM
148	anywhere I can close to my destination	8/14/2019 3:52 AM
149	N/A	8/14/2019 3:14 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

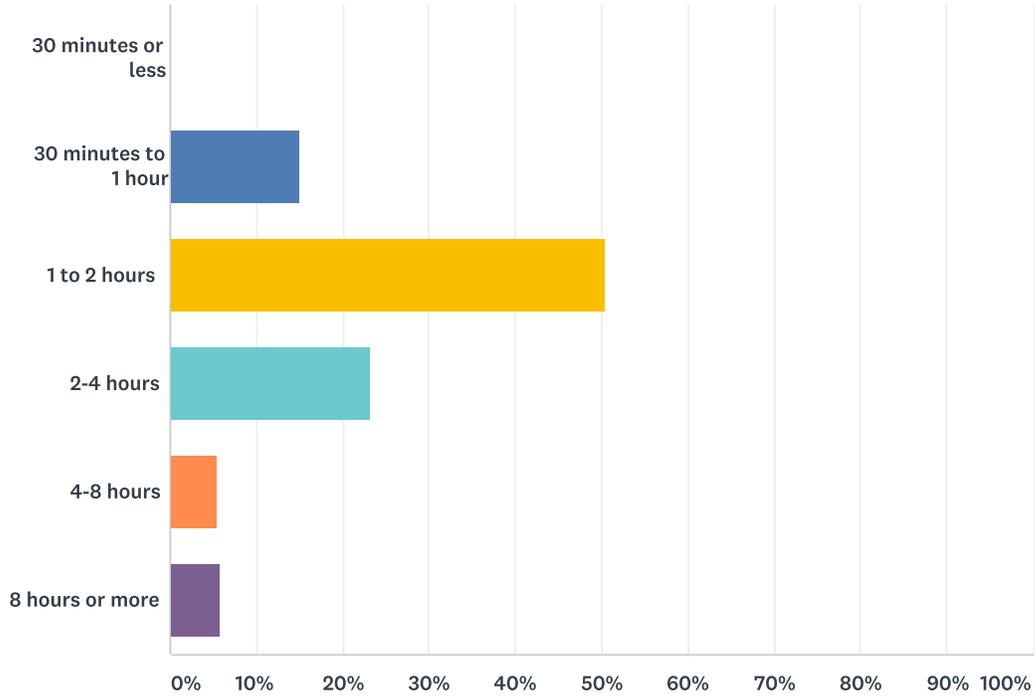
150	n/a	8/14/2019 2:04 AM
151	N/A NO BIKE	8/14/2019 1:38 AM
152	I don't park. We just ride down there.	8/14/2019 1:28 AM
153	N/A	8/14/2019 1:23 AM
154	Na	8/14/2019 1:10 AM
155	Near the green	8/13/2019 2:43 PM
156	Not applicable	8/13/2019 1:04 PM
157	Against trees, buildings, fences, street signs. Bike racks are not convenient or user friendly. The fake-artsy racks do not work with Kryptonite bike locks.	8/13/2019 10:16 AM
158	Never park bike always with me	8/13/2019 8:16 AM
159	N/A	8/13/2019 6:40 AM
160	Not Applicable, don't ride a bike for we have children, even too young to reach bike peddles	8/13/2019 4:17 AM
161	Lots of places!!!! Great place	8/13/2019 3:24 AM
162	N/a	8/13/2019 1:09 AM
163	1st street beach	8/12/2019 9:07 PM
164	na	8/12/2019 12:53 PM
165	n/a	8/12/2019 10:39 AM
166	n/a	8/12/2019 10:35 AM
167	Do not	8/12/2019 8:57 AM
168	I cannot ride a bike as I am in a wheelchair. I see NOTHING in this survey about wheelchair parking. Typical Benicia.	8/12/2019 8:55 AM
169	whatever tree or pole is convenient that I can lock my bike to. It is important that my bike not block the sidewalk	8/12/2019 7:32 AM
170	n/a	8/12/2019 7:18 AM
171	n/a	8/12/2019 6:46 AM
172	na	8/12/2019 6:26 AM
173	Na	8/12/2019 6:18 AM
174	No bike	8/12/2019 6:10 AM
175	in my office.	8/12/2019 6:03 AM
176	N/A	8/12/2019 6:02 AM
177	N/A	8/12/2019 5:59 AM
178	N/a	8/12/2019 4:48 AM
179	n/a	8/12/2019 4:05 AM
180	i dont	8/12/2019 3:27 AM
181	N/A	8/12/2019 3:06 AM
182	N/A	8/12/2019 3:04 AM
183	No bike	8/12/2019 3:04 AM
184	NA	8/12/2019 2:54 AM
185	In front of which ever business I'm visiting. I'm very unhappy that the Historical Society forced the removal of the beautiful stainless steel "ring" bicycle racks.	8/12/2019 2:46 AM
186	don't ride to down town	8/12/2019 2:35 AM
187	Do not bike	8/12/2019 2:21 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

188	Don't bike	8/12/2019 2:20 AM
189	Do not own a bike	8/12/2019 2:14 AM
190	On stands near the ends of First St	8/12/2019 2:11 AM
191	N/A	8/12/2019 2:11 AM
192	on the sidewalk in front of business	8/11/2019 10:25 AM
193	I do not do that	8/10/2019 9:26 AM

Q12 When you visit Downtown, how long do you typically stay?

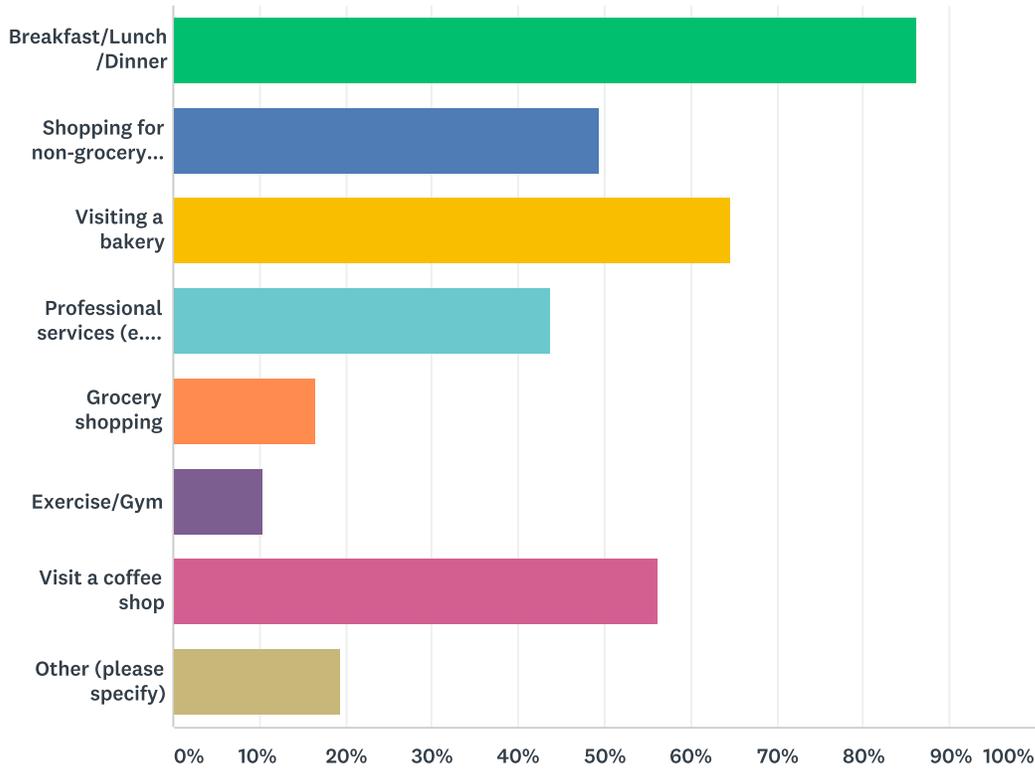
Answered: 433 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
30 minutes or less	0.00%	0
30 minutes to 1 hour	15.01%	65
1 to 2 hours	50.35%	218
2-4 hours	23.33%	101
4-8 hours	5.54%	24
8 hours or more	5.77%	25
TOTAL		433

Q13 Do you enjoy visiting multiple locations in one outing on the town? If so, which types of activities do you like to do in one trip? Check all that apply.

Answered: 430 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner	86.28% 371
Shopping for non-grocery items	49.30% 212
Visiting a bakery	64.65% 278
Professional services (e.g. Dentist, bank, salon, etc.)	43.72% 188
Grocery shopping	16.51% 71
Exercise/Gym	10.47% 45
Visit a coffee shop	56.28% 242
Other (please specify)	19.53% 84
Total Respondents: 430	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Visiting Art Venues	8/21/2019 12:10 PM
2	Bookstore	8/21/2019 7:31 AM
3	walking & taking pictures	8/19/2019 9:24 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

4	walk to the pier	8/18/2019 4:43 AM
5	Looking at art galleries, enjoying the waterfront	8/18/2019 1:15 AM
6	Go to Community Garden to meet people	8/18/2019 12:15 AM
7	Bar	8/17/2019 10:56 PM
8	Shop	8/17/2019 3:34 AM
9	People Watching	8/17/2019 2:47 AM
10	Pier.	8/17/2019 1:28 AM
11	Church	8/16/2019 3:39 PM
12	Walking	8/16/2019 11:42 AM
13	Walking	8/16/2019 10:35 AM
14	Walk	8/16/2019 8:25 AM
15	music classes	8/16/2019 7:44 AM
16	Walking	8/16/2019 6:51 AM
17	Resident	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
18	Clothes shopping	8/16/2019 5:56 AM
19	The water	8/16/2019 5:15 AM
20	visiting historic sites.	8/16/2019 5:13 AM
21	strolling the promenade	8/16/2019 4:01 AM
22	Business owner	8/16/2019 2:39 AM
23	Walk, window shop, event them eat	8/16/2019 1:33 AM
24	Walking	8/16/2019 1:10 AM
25	Visiting friends who work in the lovely shops along First Street	8/15/2019 10:32 PM
26	walk my dog	8/15/2019 2:26 PM
27	waterfront daily for at least 10 to 15 minutes. other businesses. associations, and landmarks, Capitol gardens, mason museum and entertainment venues.	8/15/2019 1:00 PM
28	Taking a walk	8/15/2019 12:31 PM
29	Walk the dogs and go fishing at Spit	8/15/2019 11:10 AM
30	This is a weird question. There is nowhere on First St to buy groceries. Safeway is a grocery store in Solano Square and it has a huge parking lot. Why did you include "Grocery shopping"? In "one outing on the town", I might park at Benicia Library, visit the library, walk to a bakery, and return to my car at the Library. Or, I go to lunch at a restaurant on First St., walk to Bookshop Benicia, then return to my car. (I guess "shopping for non-grocery items" would include Bookshop Benicia ... but I'm not sure that everyone taking this survey will think that way.)	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
31	massage	8/15/2019 9:35 AM
32	Gas, Art Galleries	8/15/2019 8:33 AM
33	Credit union	8/15/2019 7:10 AM
34	Window shopping	8/15/2019 1:43 AM
35	Walk after dinner and enjoy the views and vibe	8/14/2019 11:18 PM
36	View the waterfront	8/14/2019 10:10 PM
37	I live and work downtown and so if I don't walk, I have an agenda to fulfill and need to be efficient in completing errands.	8/14/2019 10:10 PM
38	Work	8/14/2019 4:43 PM
39	Walk to the waterfront. I run daily utilizing the nice waterfront paths and marina green.	8/14/2019 4:09 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

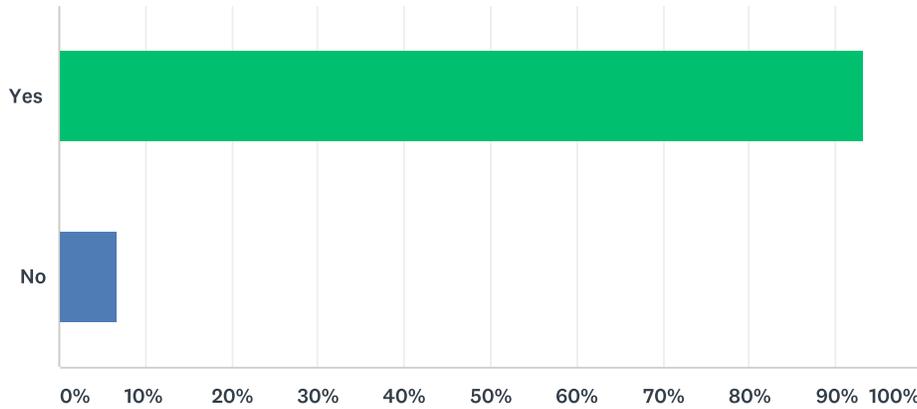
40	Enjoying the park	8/14/2019 3:58 PM
41	Pier. Play Pokémon Go	8/14/2019 3:46 PM
42	Bar?	8/14/2019 3:15 PM
43	Visit a bar	8/14/2019 2:25 PM
44	I work downtown	8/14/2019 2:20 PM
45	Church	8/14/2019 2:13 PM
46	Walking around the waterfront; pier and behind Tannery.	8/14/2019 1:54 PM
47	Walking	8/14/2019 1:25 PM
48	Church	8/14/2019 1:05 PM
49	Seeing art	8/14/2019 12:59 PM
50	Take pictures!	8/14/2019 12:34 PM
51	Spending time at my house.	8/14/2019 12:02 PM
52	music lessons at the music store	8/14/2019 11:58 AM
53	Farmer's Market	8/14/2019 11:56 AM
54	Enjoying the walk around the downtown area	8/14/2019 11:30 AM
55	Listen to music	8/14/2019 11:17 AM
56	bookshop, pottery studio, Main Street	8/14/2019 11:15 AM
57	Walk	8/14/2019 9:36 AM
58	Art galleries	8/14/2019 8:58 AM
59	Events	8/14/2019 8:42 AM
60	Sepay Groves Olive Oil	8/14/2019 8:32 AM
61	Drink	8/14/2019 7:38 AM
62	Visit art galleries	8/14/2019 7:04 AM
63	socializing, meeting with friends, music, farmer's market and most fun of all is bumping into people I know while there	8/14/2019 6:47 AM
64	Massage	8/14/2019 5:30 AM
65	visit a gallery	8/14/2019 5:26 AM
66	Visiting the pier and marina	8/14/2019 5:15 AM
67	shop owner	8/14/2019 4:52 AM
68	Walk to library, Safeway, coffee shop	8/14/2019 3:14 AM
69	Church	8/14/2019 1:23 AM
70	Tend our garden on 1st Street	8/13/2019 2:43 PM
71	Wine bat	8/13/2019 1:04 PM
72	All of the above	8/13/2019 3:24 AM
73	art gallery	8/12/2019 10:35 AM
74	Walking along the waterfront, Going to the bars, Hanging out with friends	8/12/2019 8:04 AM
75	A bar and also the water	8/12/2019 7:58 AM
76	computer repair, visit the Rellick, bike repair	8/12/2019 7:32 AM
77	library	8/12/2019 6:46 AM
78	various, it depends	8/12/2019 4:28 AM
79	Non-profit group meetings downtown.	8/12/2019 2:46 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

80	Viewing the Carquinez Strait, watching for American White Pelicans	8/12/2019 2:41 AM
81	Music	8/12/2019 2:35 AM
82	Anywhere downtown - we love it!	8/12/2019 2:35 AM
83	Community Garden	8/10/2019 9:26 AM
84	Walk dog.	8/6/2019 5:57 AM

Q14 When you visit multiple businesses/activities in one outing in Downtown Benicia, do you typically walk between places?

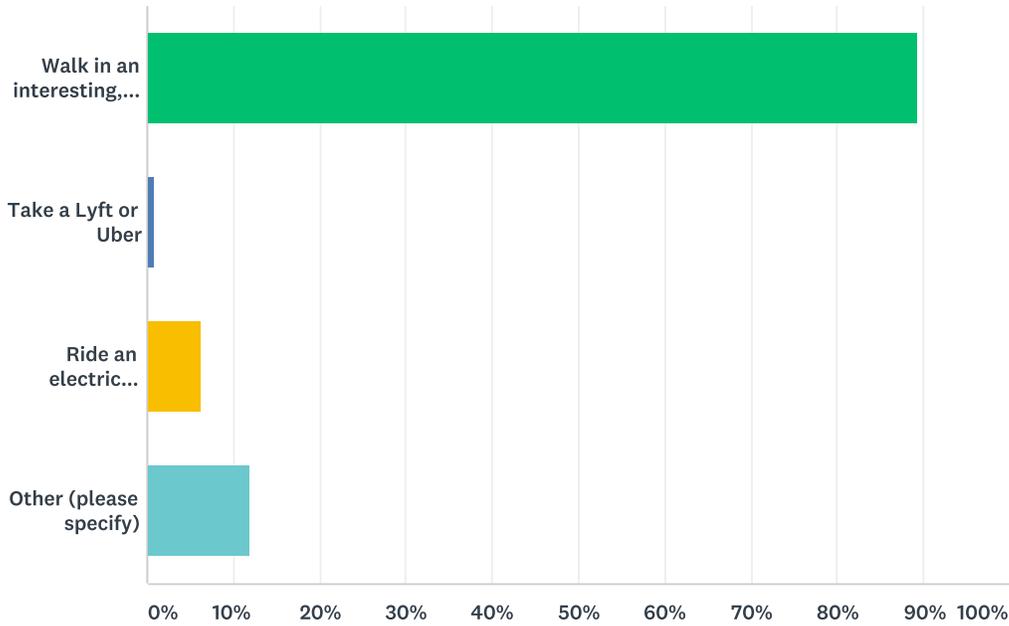
Answered: 428 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	93.22%	399
No	6.78%	29
TOTAL		428

Q15 If parking a few blocks from your destination was easier, which of the following ways would you enjoy/accept to get to your destination?

Answered: 428 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Walk in an interesting, comfortable, and safe streetscape	89.25% 382
Take a Lyft or Uber	0.93% 4
Ride an electric scooter or bike	6.31% 27
Other (please specify)	11.92% 51
Total Respondents: 428	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	cannot walk far	8/19/2019 5:35 AM
2	I have difficulty walking the distance your talking about.	8/18/2019 6:57 AM
3	Home is my destination so I don't want to park blocks away. There are too many car break ins. I want to have a permit to park by my home for more than a couple of hours. I can't park my car when I go on vacation or it gets towed.	8/18/2019 1:15 AM
4	Not having time limits or meters is one of the best things about living in Benicia.	8/17/2019 1:28 AM
5	Please no scooters	8/16/2019 11:25 PM
6	Not sure	8/16/2019 1:40 PM
7	I don't have a scooter. I need close parking. This is a problem, because there are hardly any disabled spaces in downtown Benicia.	8/16/2019 11:16 AM
8	open air electric cable car/trolley	8/16/2019 9:13 AM
9	Disabled. Need more handicap parking slots please	8/16/2019 8:24 AM
10	A bus that circles downtown in which people can get on and off easily several times.	8/16/2019 8:05 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

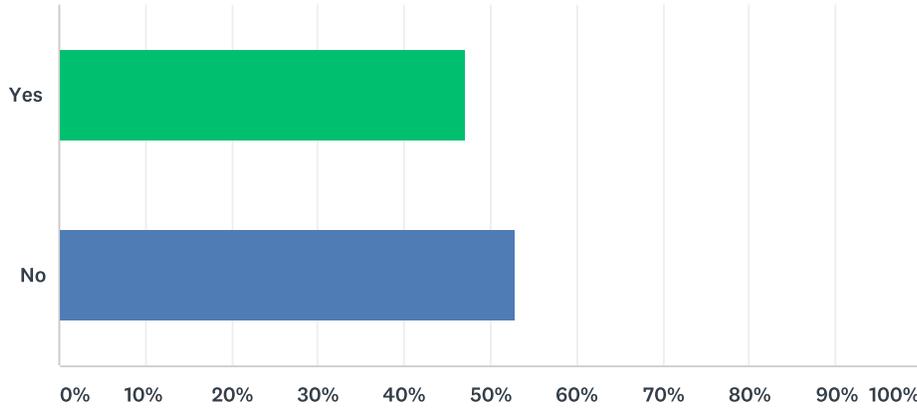
11	I'd rather park in front of my apartment	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
12	I like it just as it is.	8/16/2019 4:25 AM
13	Don't mind walking when I'm able to/disability not acting up.	8/16/2019 1:33 AM
14	Don't understand ?	8/15/2019 9:44 PM
15	Need handicap.	8/15/2019 4:35 PM
16	Only park close or leave town	8/15/2019 3:42 PM
17	Shuttle	8/15/2019 2:25 PM
18	open air vehicle that is easy to embark and disembark. golf cart to cable car bus type trolley. I've thought about this alot. I think that we can brainstorm what works best for our community, convenience, cost and frequency. Especially on theater nights when several businesses and venue rentals fight for parking. Fridays and Saturday nights.	8/15/2019 1:00 PM
19	Walk on sidewalk that is clean and wide enough for a stroller and dog	8/15/2019 11:10 AM
20	I'm capable of walking because I'm young and healthy enough. But in a few years, when I'm in my 70s, I might not be as mobile. I will never take a Lyft or Uber - ever. I don't trust that sort of "for-hire transportation". I would never ride an electric scooter/bike because of the dangers involved in falling or being hit by a vehicle. The creators of this survey should think "outside of the box". What other methods of mobility are there for people who are aging? What other ways can people get around?	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
21	NO SCOOTERS!	8/15/2019 8:33 AM
22	Sometimes my husband will drive me to my appointment, go to Starbucks and wait for me to call to pick me up.	8/14/2019 8:18 PM
23	This seems like a silly question. Does the walk really need to be interesting?	8/14/2019 4:09 PM
24	Would like to see better bus service throughout Benicia	8/14/2019 3:58 PM
25	Shuttle.	8/14/2019 3:15 PM
26	Employees should be able to get to work 15 minutes before work without having to worry about parking	8/14/2019 2:20 PM
27	walk in general	8/14/2019 1:59 PM
28	Bike taxi would be a great way to get around downtown Benicia	8/14/2019 1:54 PM
29	Am disabled and can't walk far	8/14/2019 12:26 PM
30	I want to be able to find a parking spot on my street at all times so I can park near my home. Without getting my car hit by other drivers.	8/14/2019 12:02 PM
31	Walking is fine	8/14/2019 11:36 AM
32	If we are speaking with regards to downtown Benicia, I don't think any of the listed would be necessary. It's already safe to walk. No reason to waste money on a streetscape	8/14/2019 10:52 AM
33	I am handicapped...it's hard to find handicapped parking on each block...getting a walker out of car on driver's side is hazardous with parelle parking.	8/14/2019 8:58 AM
34	Just walk, the current streets cape is fine. No need to dump money into sidewalk upgrades. Please no electric scooters!	8/14/2019 8:56 AM
35	Trolley/Shuttle	8/14/2019 8:32 AM
36	I would just leave	8/14/2019 8:07 AM
37	Not an option, need handicap parking	8/14/2019 7:56 AM
38	I walk often and have to watch for potholes, cracks in the sidewalk so I don't twist my ankle. New paving would be incredible.	8/14/2019 6:47 AM
39	I dont want to park blocks away period.	8/14/2019 5:55 AM
40	Walk - provided that the homeless issues do not worsen	8/14/2019 5:39 AM
41	No commrnt	8/14/2019 1:23 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

42	Do not want to park too far from where I live.	8/13/2019 2:43 PM
43	Please do not introduce or allow scooters and bikes.	8/13/2019 10:16 AM
44	Walk	8/13/2019 3:24 AM
45	Trolley	8/13/2019 1:09 AM
46	Walk downtown	8/12/2019 8:57 AM
47	Power wheelchair	8/12/2019 8:55 AM
48	walking	8/12/2019 7:18 AM
49	None. Need to park closer. Disabled	8/12/2019 6:26 AM
50	Add Kiosk's to provide small purchases while walking to/from parking areas, like the alley leading to the City owned lots along East 2nd Street.	8/12/2019 6:03 AM
51	I don't want to do this	8/12/2019 2:21 AM

Q16 Do you think there is enough parking in Downtown Benicia?

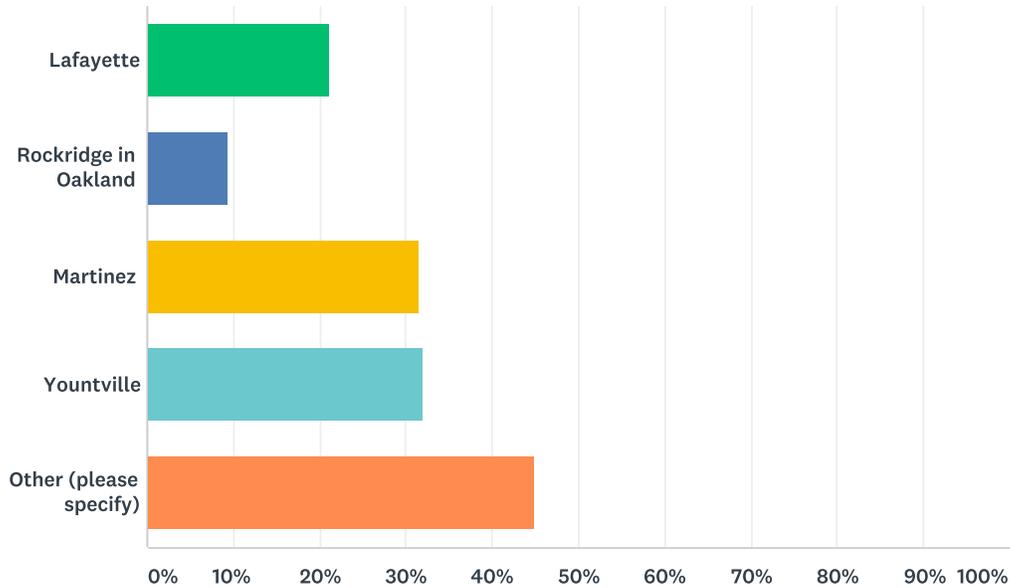
Answered: 431 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	47.10%	203
No	52.90%	228
TOTAL		431

Q17 Which small downtowns do you enjoy visiting that have a great mix of retail and entertainment with convenient parking and walkability?

Answered: 382 Skipped: 53



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Lafayette	21.20% 81
Rockridge in Oakland	9.42% 36
Martinez	31.68% 121
Yountville	31.94% 122
Other (please specify)	45.03% 172
Total Respondents: 382	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Healdsburg square	8/24/2019 5:32 AM
2	Walnut Creek	8/22/2019 12:39 AM
3	Concord or Walnut Creek	8/21/2019 12:10 PM
4	vallejo	8/21/2019 3:21 AM
5	walnut creek	8/19/2019 9:24 AM
6	Vallejo business, library, govt.; shopping mall	8/19/2019 3:12 AM
7	Walnut Creek, Pleasant Hill, Concord	8/19/2019 1:36 AM
8	Sonoma , Ca	8/18/2019 12:20 PM
9	None	8/18/2019 7:39 AM
10	none of the above	8/18/2019 4:43 AM
11	Walnut Creek	8/18/2019 2:45 AM
12	Danville	8/18/2019 1:15 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

13	Petaluma	8/18/2019 1:03 AM
14	don't know of any	8/18/2019 12:15 AM
15	Pleasant hill, Walnut Creek,	8/17/2019 2:02 PM
16	Petaluma	8/17/2019 1:14 PM
17	Ours is the best	8/17/2019 6:24 AM
18	Walnut creek	8/17/2019 3:34 AM
19	Most all the quaint towns I love into visit, everyone has a parking problem	8/17/2019 2:47 AM
20	Crockett. Benicia is the best.	8/17/2019 1:28 AM
21	Fairfax	8/17/2019 12:08 AM
22	Berkeley 4th st	8/16/2019 11:25 PM
23	Sonoma	8/16/2019 10:57 PM
24	Petaluma, Calistoga, Napa	8/16/2019 3:39 PM
25	Pleasant Hill	8/16/2019 2:32 PM
26	Vallejo	8/16/2019 1:40 PM
27	Pinole, Albany, Berkeley, El Cerrito, Petaluma, San Rafael	8/16/2019 1:08 PM
28	i have not been to any of the places lately so I do not really remember	8/16/2019 12:12 PM
29	Benicia is the best I've experienced	8/16/2019 11:21 AM
30	St. Helena	8/16/2019 11:16 AM
31	Napa	8/16/2019 10:10 AM
32	Napa, I like Lafayette but parking is not convenient at all	8/16/2019 9:34 AM
33	Parking small downtowns always seems to be a hassle for this senior citizen.	8/16/2019 9:15 AM
34	Sonoma	8/16/2019 8:25 AM
35	Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek	8/16/2019 7:44 AM
36	None of the above	8/16/2019 6:51 AM
37	Walnut creek	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
38	Berkeley	8/16/2019 5:56 AM
39	Concord	8/16/2019 5:52 AM
40	Placerville	8/16/2019 5:15 AM
41	All have similar parking problems	8/16/2019 5:13 AM
42	Campbell, Los Gatos	8/16/2019 4:53 AM
43	Napa	8/16/2019 4:45 AM
44	Benicia	8/16/2019 4:37 AM
45	Napa	8/16/2019 4:15 AM
46	I don't know of any in the area. Both Lafayette and Martinez are poor examples of the characteristics your described in the question.	8/16/2019 4:02 AM
47	Danville	8/16/2019 3:51 AM
48	none	8/16/2019 3:27 AM
49	Vallejo	8/16/2019 2:39 AM
50	Placerville	8/16/2019 2:34 AM
51	Healdsburg	8/16/2019 1:38 AM
52	I prefer to shop in town...local	8/16/2019 1:33 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

53	Healdsburg	8/16/2019 1:10 AM
54	N/A	8/16/2019 12:46 AM
55	Calistoga	8/16/2019 12:45 AM
56	Walnut Creek	8/15/2019 4:35 PM
57	Pleasant Hill	8/15/2019 3:42 PM
58	downtown san rafael	8/15/2019 1:56 PM
59	Napa	8/15/2019 1:33 PM
60	Walnutcreek	8/15/2019 1:25 PM
61	Napa	8/15/2019 1:00 PM
62	Mill Valley, Berkeley's Elmwood, Larkspur	8/15/2019 12:46 PM
63	Walnut Creek	8/15/2019 12:31 PM
64	Pleasant hill	8/15/2019 11:44 AM
65	None are like Benicia. Cities name all are over populated	8/15/2019 11:10 AM
66	Rock ridge and Lafayette do NOT have parking and I do not go there. Rock ridge also has too many homeless	8/15/2019 10:35 AM
67	St Helena, Calistoga, Sonoma	8/15/2019 10:16 AM
68	None of the above. Actually, I don't go to any of those towns for retail or entertainment. I like Berkeley ... I like Shattuck Ave. There is street parking and there are parking garages. There are meters, too. I AM WILLING TO PAY TO PARK. Benicia should install meters on First St. And Benicia should have a paved parking lot or a parking garage! (i.e., pave over that horrible gravel lot at East E St & East 2nd St. and put a 2-story parking structure!).	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
69	Petaluma	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
70	none	8/15/2019 10:05 AM
71	Sonoma, Placerville	8/15/2019 9:51 AM
72	St. Helena	8/15/2019 9:47 AM
73	Napa	8/15/2019 7:12 AM
74	Sonoma, Napa	8/15/2019 7:10 AM
75	none to think of	8/15/2019 7:04 AM
76	Pleasant Hill	8/15/2019 6:40 AM
77	Walnut creek	8/15/2019 3:12 AM
78	Healdsburg	8/15/2019 2:04 AM
79	Mountain View	8/15/2019 1:01 AM
80	I don't go to those places- I like Benicia and we shouldn't try to be those places	8/15/2019 12:45 AM
81	Danville	8/14/2019 11:50 PM
82	Walnut Creek	8/14/2019 11:48 PM
83	Walnut creek	8/14/2019 11:18 PM
84	Walnut Creek	8/14/2019 9:06 PM
85	Meters are terrible. So no to Martinez. Also, it feels unsafe walking there. Yountville is easy, but come on, this is a silly comparison. It's so small. Rockridge is awful to park in. Same with Lafayette. And who want a to be like Lafayette. The thing that kills me about folks in benicia, is that the things that make it funky and quaint are the things people want to homogenize. I don't want to replicate any of those town. The biggest issue is shop owners and employees parking in front of there own shops! So counter intuitive.	8/14/2019 4:09 PM
86	Walnut Creek	8/14/2019 4:08 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

87	Walnut Creek, Sausalito	8/14/2019 3:58 PM
88	Walnut Creek and concord	8/14/2019 3:52 PM
89	Sebastipol	8/14/2019 3:35 PM
90	Moraga	8/14/2019 3:15 PM
91	Petaluma	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
92	NA	8/14/2019 2:58 PM
93	Sonoma	8/14/2019 2:26 PM
94	None	8/14/2019 2:20 PM
95	Napa	8/14/2019 2:04 PM
96	I don't have time to visit.	8/14/2019 2:02 PM
97	Napa (parking garages and street parking combined)	8/14/2019 1:54 PM
98	Walnut creek	8/14/2019 12:58 PM
99	Walnut Creek	8/14/2019 12:44 PM
100	None of the above but parking is becoming a nightmare in most places I go to	8/14/2019 12:37 PM
101	Sonoma	8/14/2019 12:34 PM
102	All of those places are very busy, and have metered parking which would be terrible for Benicia	8/14/2019 12:21 PM
103	WC	8/14/2019 12:14 PM
104	Pleasant Hill, Concord	8/14/2019 11:58 AM
105	Sonoma, Healdsburg, Napa	8/14/2019 11:56 AM
106	Mill Valley, Fairfax, Winters	8/14/2019 11:51 AM
107	Napa	8/14/2019 11:17 AM
108	Not the best examples since there is high housing/residential density in relation to the distance to downtown Benicia	8/14/2019 11:15 AM
109	I think parking is always an issue. Just a lot of people everywhere	8/14/2019 11:03 AM
110	na	8/14/2019 10:52 AM
111	Walnut Creek	8/14/2019 10:05 AM
112	Walnut Creek	8/14/2019 10:04 AM
113	Folsom	8/14/2019 9:55 AM
114	None of these have good parking	8/14/2019 9:49 AM
115	I need to visit the places listed here, since their downtowns are closer to our size. I am, however, continually pleased by the large and easily accessible parking structure in downtown Alameda.	8/14/2019 9:30 AM
116	Vallejo	8/14/2019 9:19 AM
117	sonoma	8/14/2019 8:59 AM
118	Vallejo Shoppng Centers - no parallel parking!	8/14/2019 8:58 AM
119	I like Benicia they way it is. Lafayette is a mess. Expensive parking and the pool much traffic. Martinez parking is confusing Andy the downtown in not inviting. Youtville has poor parking and is a congested mess. I do not feel safe in Rockridge. Don't use these as modes!	8/14/2019 8:56 AM
120	Suisun	8/14/2019 8:42 AM
121	Cotati	8/14/2019 8:35 AM
122	Auburn	8/14/2019 8:32 AM
123	Huntington Beach, Seal Beach	8/14/2019 8:09 AM
124	Vacaville	8/14/2019 8:07 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

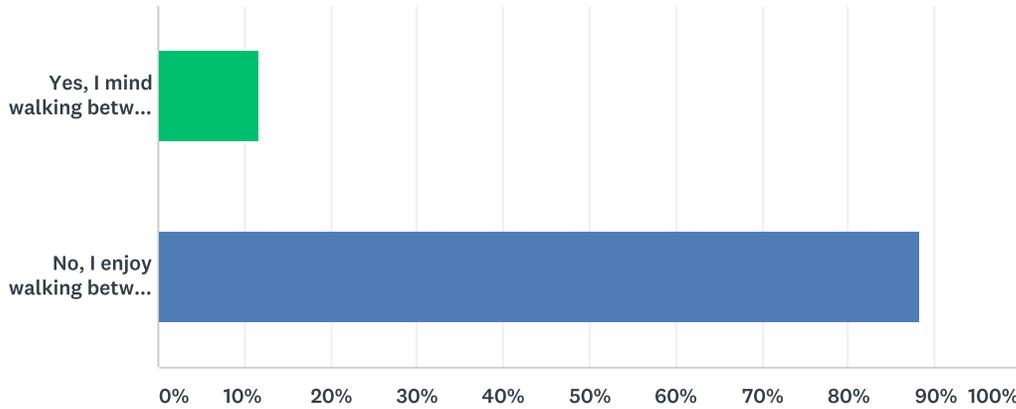
125	None	8/14/2019 7:56 AM
126	Oceanside, Idylwild	8/14/2019 7:55 AM
127	Napa	8/14/2019 7:49 AM
128	None	8/14/2019 7:26 AM
129	Walnut creek	8/14/2019 7:08 AM
130	Cambria	8/14/2019 7:04 AM
131	Pleasant hill	8/14/2019 6:52 AM
132	Sonoma, Healdsburg!!!!	8/14/2019 6:47 AM
133	Napa	8/14/2019 6:23 AM
134	Walnut Creek	8/14/2019 6:12 AM
135	lafayette and yountville are not benicia. start comparing us to towns with the same financials	8/14/2019 5:58 AM
136	Berkeley	8/14/2019 5:55 AM
137	i visit most of these locations, their parking is NOT as good as Benicia's	8/14/2019 5:44 AM
138	Los Olivos	8/14/2019 5:39 AM
139	Walnut Creek. Walnut Creek downtown has a great mix of pedestrian traffic with plenty of parking.	8/14/2019 5:30 AM
140	Walnut Creek	8/14/2019 5:05 AM
141	None	8/14/2019 4:41 AM
142	parking is an issue	8/14/2019 4:22 AM
143	St Helena	8/14/2019 4:20 AM
144	none	8/14/2019 3:14 AM
145	Sonoma	8/14/2019 2:48 AM
146	Pleasant Hill, Napa	8/14/2019 1:38 AM
147	Walnut creek	8/14/2019 1:28 AM
148	Vallejo	8/13/2019 2:43 PM
149	Walnut Creek	8/13/2019 1:04 PM
150	Walnut Creek, Shadelands Safeway Shopping Center	8/13/2019 10:16 AM
151	Suisun, Fairfield,Napa	8/13/2019 8:16 AM
152	Walnut Creek	8/13/2019 6:40 AM
153	Walnut Creek - but rarely due to the bridge tax	8/12/2019 12:53 PM
154	Walnut creek	8/12/2019 12:38 PM
155	n/a	8/12/2019 10:39 AM
156	downtown Concord	8/12/2019 10:35 AM
157	None	8/12/2019 8:57 AM
158	none, really.	8/12/2019 7:32 AM
159	none	8/12/2019 6:46 AM
160	Petaluma, Santa Rosa	8/12/2019 6:03 AM
161	Solvang	8/12/2019 5:59 AM
162	Walnut Creepy	8/12/2019 4:31 AM
163	Napa	8/12/2019 4:28 AM
164	Petaluma	8/12/2019 3:28 AM
165	I don't visit other towns often.	8/12/2019 2:46 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

166	Napa, Calistoga, Vallejo	8/12/2019 2:41 AM
167	Capitals, Aptos, St. Helena, etc....so many all around the country!	8/12/2019 2:35 AM
168	Dine/Shop in Benicia only	8/12/2019 2:11 AM
169	Concord, Walnut Creek	8/11/2019 9:56 AM
170	Benicia is the best of those options honestly	8/10/2019 9:26 AM
171	Vallejo	8/10/2019 2:11 AM
172	napa	8/6/2019 5:57 AM

Q18 Do you mind walking between destinations when you visit these commercial districts?

Answered: 407 Skipped: 28



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, I mind walking between destinations at these locations	11.79%	48
No, I enjoy walking between destinations at these location	88.21%	359
TOTAL		407

Q19 A "flex" space (sometimes called a Parklet or People Spot) is an on-street parking space converted into a community space, with protected seating for people to dine or just hang out. Considering where you spend the most time in Downtown Benicia, where do you think is the best location for a "flex" space? (Please either write YES next to a location listed or specify a location)

Answered: 370 Skipped: 65

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Near Benicia Point	24.59%	91
On First Street (no specific location identified)	30.54%	113
On First Street (please identify a specific location)	14.86%	55
I prefer not to have flex spaces and maintain parking	60.81%	225
Other (please identify a specific location)	13.51%	50

#	NEAR BENICIA POINT	DATE
1	yes	8/28/2019 10:47 AM
2	yes	8/24/2019 5:32 AM
3	YES	8/22/2019 12:39 AM
4	yes	8/21/2019 12:10 PM
5	Yes	8/21/2019 7:31 AM
6	YES	8/21/2019 3:21 AM
7	no	8/20/2019 3:00 AM
8	yes	8/19/2019 3:12 AM
9	No	8/19/2019 1:36 AM
10	No	8/18/2019 12:20 PM
11	Yes	8/17/2019 2:38 PM
12	Yes	8/16/2019 10:57 PM
13	yes	8/16/2019 12:48 PM
14	yes	8/16/2019 12:36 PM
15	Yes	8/16/2019 11:21 AM
16	If you take away parking here. I will be excluded from this area.	8/16/2019 11:16 AM
17	Yes	8/16/2019 11:01 AM
18	Yes	8/16/2019 10:33 AM
19	yes	8/16/2019 9:30 AM
20	yes	8/16/2019 9:15 AM
21	YES	8/16/2019 9:13 AM
22	Not sure what benicoa point is, but i would pick the pier. Seems as if only people partying park there anyway.	8/16/2019 8:10 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

23	No	8/16/2019 6:51 AM
24	No	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
25	Yes	8/16/2019 6:27 AM
26	Yes	8/16/2019 5:02 AM
27	No	8/16/2019 4:25 AM
28	YES	8/16/2019 4:14 AM
29	Yes	8/16/2019 4:04 AM
30	no	8/16/2019 4:02 AM
31	Yes	8/16/2019 3:51 AM
32	Yes	8/16/2019 2:23 AM
33	No	8/16/2019 1:33 AM
34	Yes	8/15/2019 10:32 PM
35	Yes	8/15/2019 4:22 PM
36	Tea	8/15/2019 2:40 PM
37	NO!	8/15/2019 12:46 PM
38	Yes	8/15/2019 12:29 PM
39	Yes	8/15/2019 12:23 PM
40	No	8/15/2019 12:16 PM
41	Yes	8/15/2019 10:16 AM
42	NO	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
43	Yes	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
44	yes	8/15/2019 9:35 AM
45	yes	8/15/2019 9:20 AM
46	Yes	8/15/2019 8:35 AM
47	Yes	8/15/2019 6:40 AM
48	Yes	8/15/2019 2:04 AM
49	Yes	8/15/2019 1:49 AM
50	Sounds good	8/14/2019 11:50 PM
51	NO	8/14/2019 4:09 PM
52	Yes	8/14/2019 3:52 PM
53	yes	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
54	No	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
55	East 2nd St	8/14/2019 2:20 PM
56	Yes	8/14/2019 12:10 PM
57	Yes	8/14/2019 11:58 AM
58	Anywhere	8/14/2019 11:36 AM
59	Yes	8/14/2019 8:31 AM
60	Yes	8/14/2019 8:16 AM
61	Yes	8/14/2019 8:14 AM
62	Yes	8/14/2019 7:49 AM
63	Yes	8/14/2019 7:40 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

64	If it can be shielded from the wind this spot would always be busy!	8/14/2019 6:47 AM
65	Yes	8/14/2019 6:23 AM
66	Flex	8/14/2019 6:12 AM
67	Yes	8/14/2019 5:44 AM
68	No	8/14/2019 5:39 AM
69	YES.	8/14/2019 5:30 AM
70	No	8/14/2019 4:55 AM
71	yes	8/14/2019 4:16 AM
72	yes	8/14/2019 1:38 AM
73	Yes	8/14/2019 1:28 AM
74	no	8/13/2019 10:16 AM
75	Yes	8/13/2019 6:40 AM
76	yes	8/12/2019 8:55 AM
77	Yes	8/12/2019 6:41 AM
78	no	8/12/2019 6:26 AM
79	Yes	8/12/2019 6:18 AM
80	No	8/12/2019 6:03 AM
81	yes	8/12/2019 4:28 AM
82	yes	8/12/2019 4:05 AM
83	Yes	8/12/2019 3:59 AM
84	yes	8/12/2019 3:28 AM
85	yes	8/12/2019 3:27 AM
86	Yes	8/12/2019 3:06 AM
87	Yes	8/12/2019 2:54 AM
88	yes	8/12/2019 2:41 AM
89	yes	8/12/2019 2:35 AM
90	not sure	8/12/2019 2:11 AM
91	no	8/11/2019 10:25 AM
#	ON FIRST STREET (NO SPECIFIC LOCATION IDENTIFIED)	DATE
1	yes	8/28/2019 10:47 AM
2	yes	8/21/2019 12:10 PM
3	YES	8/21/2019 3:38 AM
4	no	8/20/2019 3:00 AM
5	Yes	8/19/2019 1:08 PM
6	Yes (but provide some new parking in side streets)	8/19/2019 9:24 AM
7	yes	8/19/2019 3:12 AM
8	No	8/19/2019 1:36 AM
9	No	8/18/2019 12:20 PM
10	end farthest from the waterfront	8/18/2019 7:39 AM
11	yes	8/18/2019 6:57 AM
12	Yes	8/17/2019 2:38 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

13	Yes	8/16/2019 2:32 PM
14	yes	8/16/2019 2:26 PM
15	yes	8/16/2019 12:36 PM
16	Yes	8/16/2019 11:42 AM
17	This is a terrible idea for diasabled or elderly people.	8/16/2019 11:16 AM
18	Yes	8/16/2019 11:01 AM
19	Yes	8/16/2019 10:35 AM
20	Yes	8/16/2019 10:33 AM
21	YES	8/16/2019 9:13 AM
22	Yes	8/16/2019 8:45 AM
23	yes	8/16/2019 7:31 AM
24	No	8/16/2019 6:51 AM
25	No	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
26	Yes	8/16/2019 5:41 AM
27	Yes	8/16/2019 5:07 AM
28	No	8/16/2019 4:25 AM
29	Yes	8/16/2019 4:15 AM
30	YES	8/16/2019 4:14 AM
31	No	8/16/2019 4:04 AM
32	no	8/16/2019 4:02 AM
33	Yes	8/16/2019 3:51 AM
34	yes	8/16/2019 3:49 AM
35	Yes	8/16/2019 2:06 AM
36	No	8/16/2019 1:33 AM
37	In front of coffee shops and restaurants	8/16/2019 1:10 AM
38	Yes	8/15/2019 10:32 PM
39	Yes	8/15/2019 4:22 PM
40	Yea	8/15/2019 2:40 PM
41	YES	8/15/2019 2:25 PM
42	NO!	8/15/2019 12:46 PM
43	Yes	8/15/2019 12:23 PM
44	Yes	8/15/2019 12:21 PM
45	Yes	8/15/2019 12:16 PM
46	YES	8/15/2019 12:07 PM
47	NO	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
48	Yes	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
49	no	8/15/2019 9:35 AM
50	Yes	8/15/2019 9:24 AM
51	yes	8/15/2019 9:20 AM
52	Yes	8/15/2019 6:40 AM
53	No	8/15/2019 2:04 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

54	Yes	8/15/2019 1:49 AM
55	For restaurants but not every block.	8/15/2019 12:45 AM
56	Near restaurants	8/14/2019 11:48 PM
57	yes	8/14/2019 10:57 PM
58	Yes	8/14/2019 10:10 PM
59	NO	8/14/2019 4:09 PM
60	Yes	8/14/2019 4:08 PM
61	No	8/14/2019 3:52 PM
62	No	8/14/2019 3:35 PM
63	yes	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
64	No	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
65	Yes	8/14/2019 2:26 PM
66	Any side street Between J and I, D and E streets	8/14/2019 2:20 PM
67	No	8/14/2019 12:59 PM
68	Yes	8/14/2019 12:10 PM
69	Anywhere	8/14/2019 11:36 AM
70	YES	8/14/2019 10:17 AM
71	Yes	8/14/2019 10:04 AM
72	yes	8/14/2019 9:55 AM
73	YES	8/14/2019 9:30 AM
74	Yes	8/14/2019 9:19 AM
75	Yes	8/14/2019 8:35 AM
76	Yes	8/14/2019 8:16 AM
77	Here	8/14/2019 8:09 AM
78	Yes	8/14/2019 7:13 AM
79	LOVE LOVE LOVE this idea. Anywhere on First Street as many time I bump into friends and we look for a bench but several real seating areas would be nice.	8/14/2019 6:47 AM
80	Yes	8/14/2019 6:43 AM
81	No	8/14/2019 5:39 AM
82	Yes	8/14/2019 5:15 AM
83	No	8/14/2019 4:55 AM
84	bookstore, one of the bakeries	8/14/2019 4:22 AM
85	321 1st St	8/14/2019 4:18 AM
86	Yes	8/14/2019 3:56 AM
87	yes	8/14/2019 3:52 AM
88	Not sure where	8/14/2019 1:10 AM
89	In front of restaurants that already have outdoor seating.	8/13/2019 3:34 PM
90	Yes	8/13/2019 1:04 PM
91	only if in lieu of sidewalk dining - free up sidewalk for pedestrians, wheelchairs, and strollers.	8/13/2019 10:16 AM
92	Yes	8/12/2019 12:53 PM
93	Near the restaurants so that they can have seating out there (i.e. Rookies, One House, 907 etc.)	8/12/2019 8:04 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

94	outside restaurants or bars	8/12/2019 7:32 AM
95	no	8/12/2019 6:26 AM
96	Yes	8/12/2019 6:18 AM
97	No	8/12/2019 6:03 AM
98	YES	8/12/2019 5:59 AM
99	yes	8/12/2019 5:47 AM
100	By Sailor Jacks	8/12/2019 4:48 AM
101	yes	8/12/2019 4:05 AM
102	Yes	8/12/2019 3:59 AM
103	yes	8/12/2019 3:28 AM
104	no	8/12/2019 3:27 AM
105	Yes	8/12/2019 2:54 AM
106	yes	8/12/2019 2:41 AM
107	Yes	8/12/2019 2:35 AM
108	Yes	8/12/2019 2:23 AM
109	yes	8/12/2019 2:20 AM
110	Yes	8/12/2019 2:11 AM
111	yes	8/12/2019 2:11 AM
112	no	8/11/2019 10:25 AM
113	Yes	8/10/2019 9:37 AM
#	ON FIRST STREET (PLEASE IDENTIFY A SPECIFIC LOCATION)	DATE
1	918 First Street	8/24/2019 5:32 AM
2	637 First st	8/21/2019 12:10 PM
3	no	8/20/2019 3:00 AM
4	Near a restaurant	8/19/2019 1:08 PM
5	No	8/19/2019 1:36 AM
6	No	8/18/2019 12:20 PM
7	By the train depot overlooking the straight.	8/18/2019 2:35 AM
8	By juice house shop or near diane's bakery by capital. But would really like one at the juice house	8/17/2019 2:47 AM
9	some buildings have room outside that would be great	8/16/2019 12:12 PM
10	Again--let's not exclude disabled people from our downtown.	8/16/2019 11:16 AM
11	Close to the water	8/16/2019 11:01 AM
12	YES	8/16/2019 9:13 AM
13	No	8/16/2019 6:51 AM
14	No	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
15	No	8/16/2019 4:25 AM
16	No	8/16/2019 4:04 AM
17	no	8/16/2019 4:02 AM
18	Luca's, or 907, or Union Hotel, or First street Cafe	8/16/2019 4:01 AM
19	No	8/16/2019 1:33 AM
20	Below F st to Sailor Jack's	8/15/2019 1:58 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

21	NOWHERE. DAMN IT!	8/15/2019 12:46 PM
22	Between I and J Sts	8/15/2019 12:16 PM
23	NO	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
24	no	8/15/2019 9:35 AM
25	No	8/15/2019 2:04 AM
26	NO	8/14/2019 4:09 PM
27	No	8/14/2019 3:52 PM
28	End of first street	8/14/2019 3:43 PM
29	No	8/14/2019 3:35 PM
30	No	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
31	Char's & Cullen's Pub	8/14/2019 2:25 PM
32	Anywhere	8/14/2019 11:36 AM
33	Yes	8/14/2019 7:08 AM
34	How about in front of real estate offices or businesses that don't necessarily need that space. It would be goodwill and people may notice a listing.	8/14/2019 6:47 AM
35	Yes	8/14/2019 5:55 AM
36	One house bakery	8/14/2019 5:55 AM
37	No	8/14/2019 5:39 AM
38	300 block	8/14/2019 5:26 AM
39	No	8/14/2019 4:55 AM
40	tannery building	8/14/2019 4:52 AM
41	Bar/restaurants	8/13/2019 1:04 PM
42	no	8/13/2019 10:16 AM
43	Yes, anywhere	8/13/2019 9:32 AM
44	East side of "G" Street	8/13/2019 6:40 AM
45	near restaurants	8/12/2019 10:35 AM
46	no	8/12/2019 6:26 AM
47	No	8/12/2019 6:03 AM
48	Establishments that serve food with or without a ABC License	8/12/2019 6:02 AM
49	None before First and W. H as that area is too trafficked	8/12/2019 5:47 AM
50	No	8/12/2019 3:59 AM
51	no	8/12/2019 3:27 AM
52	In front of One House bakery	8/12/2019 3:23 AM
53	Lucca's, First Street Cafe to keep the sidewalk for pedestrian	8/12/2019 3:04 AM
54	Near restaurants	8/12/2019 2:11 AM
55	no	8/11/2019 10:25 AM
#	I PREFER NOT TO HAVE FLEX SPACES AND MAINTAIN PARKING	DATE
1	Could be seasonal only (modular) tow it out when needed	8/24/2019 5:32 AM
2	Parking will become a problem with flex	8/23/2019 1:39 PM
3	Yes	8/21/2019 1:17 PM
4	YES	8/20/2019 11:01 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

5	no	8/20/2019 3:00 AM
6	YES	8/19/2019 9:11 AM
7	yes	8/19/2019 5:35 AM
8	Yes	8/19/2019 3:41 AM
9	Yes	8/19/2019 1:36 AM
10	Yes	8/18/2019 8:20 PM
11	Yes	8/18/2019 12:20 PM
12	There are sufficient public places in Benicia.	8/18/2019 4:02 AM
13	yes	8/18/2019 2:45 AM
14	Yes, parking is adequate	8/18/2019 1:32 AM
15	There isn't enough parking. Why take spots away??? Flex looks pretty but increases the parking issue	8/18/2019 1:15 AM
16	Yes	8/18/2019 1:03 AM
17	It would be chaotic	8/18/2019 12:15 AM
18	Yes	8/17/2019 10:56 PM
19	Yes	8/17/2019 4:10 PM
20	Yes	8/17/2019 2:02 PM
21	yes	8/17/2019 1:14 PM
22	Yes	8/17/2019 3:36 AM
23	Yes	8/17/2019 2:00 AM
24	YES	8/17/2019 1:28 AM
25	No flex spaces needed	8/17/2019 12:08 AM
26	yes	8/16/2019 11:42 PM
27	Yes	8/16/2019 11:25 PM
28	Yes	8/16/2019 9:50 PM
29	There are plenty of places for people to gather outside restaurants, at the foot of first street, and the park	8/16/2019 4:42 PM
30	Yes	8/16/2019 3:39 PM
31	Yes	8/16/2019 1:40 PM
32	Yes!	8/16/2019 11:16 AM
33	☐	8/16/2019 10:10 AM
34	☺	8/16/2019 10:06 AM
35	X	8/16/2019 9:34 AM
36	yes	8/16/2019 9:30 AM
37	yes	8/16/2019 9:29 AM
38	yes	8/16/2019 9:15 AM
39	No flex spaces	8/16/2019 8:25 AM
40	yes	8/16/2019 8:01 AM
41	YES	8/16/2019 7:44 AM
42	x	8/16/2019 7:25 AM
43	Yes	8/16/2019 6:51 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

44	Yes	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
45	Yes	8/16/2019 6:32 AM
46	There's not enough parking spaces so I don't think we should take any awsy	8/16/2019 5:56 AM
47	check	8/16/2019 5:34 AM
48	Yes	8/16/2019 5:15 AM
49	I am not in favor of Parklet's. Take away parking spaces and are gathering places for some to hang out for long periods. Also, it is just a matter of time before some accident happens an a car runs into them. Who would be libel for damages in that case?	8/16/2019 5:13 AM
50	Yes	8/16/2019 5:06 AM
51	Yes	8/16/2019 5:02 AM
52	Yes	8/16/2019 4:53 AM
53	Yes	8/16/2019 4:53 AM
54	Yes	8/16/2019 4:45 AM
55	People are confused enough	8/16/2019 4:36 AM
56	Yes	8/16/2019 4:26 AM
57	Yes	8/16/2019 4:25 AM
58	Yes	8/16/2019 4:04 AM
59	no	8/16/2019 4:02 AM
60	yes	8/16/2019 3:59 AM
61	There is no enough handicap parking in our downtown	8/16/2019 3:59 AM
62	Unsure	8/16/2019 3:51 AM
63	yes	8/16/2019 3:27 AM
64	Yes	8/16/2019 2:39 AM
65	Yes	8/16/2019 2:34 AM
66	Yes	8/16/2019 1:38 AM
67	No	8/16/2019 1:33 AM
68	Yes.	8/16/2019 12:46 AM
69	Rather not have. Benicia has small sidewalks for that..	8/16/2019 12:45 AM
70	YES	8/15/2019 11:59 PM
71	We need parking. But no diagonal parking. That is treacherous for small normal size cars. Can't see around SUV's and trucks.	8/15/2019 9:44 PM
72	Yes	8/15/2019 4:35 PM
73	Yes	8/15/2019 4:31 PM
74	Yes	8/15/2019 2:26 PM
75	yes	8/15/2019 1:56 PM
76	pls keep parking i work 2 jobs downtown and it gets rough	8/15/2019 1:33 PM
77	YES, YES, YES, YES FOR GODS SAKE!	8/15/2019 12:46 PM
78	Sounds much too dangerous unsightly and confusing	8/15/2019 12:31 PM
79	Yes	8/15/2019 12:17 PM
80	No	8/15/2019 12:16 PM
81	Yes	8/15/2019 12:10 PM
82	It's fine how it is	8/15/2019 12:03 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

83	Yes	8/15/2019 11:44 AM
84	Yes	8/15/2019 10:35 AM
85	No	8/15/2019 10:32 AM
86	yes	8/15/2019 10:16 AM
87	NO	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
88	X	8/15/2019 10:05 AM
89	Yes	8/15/2019 9:57 AM
90	do not desire "flex space"	8/15/2019 9:51 AM
91	I dont see the value in flex space-there are plenty of hang out places	8/15/2019 9:47 AM
92	yes	8/15/2019 9:41 AM
93	yes	8/15/2019 9:35 AM
94	yes	8/15/2019 9:28 AM
95	Yes	8/15/2019 9:26 AM
96	yes	8/15/2019 9:23 AM
97	in what sense would it "Flex" once converted it's not 'Flexible so a profoundly bad idea	8/15/2019 8:33 AM
98	Yes	8/15/2019 8:21 AM
99	Yes	8/15/2019 7:55 AM
100	Yes	8/15/2019 7:44 AM
101	yes	8/15/2019 7:12 AM
102	Yes	8/15/2019 7:10 AM
103	yes	8/15/2019 7:04 AM
104	There are enough places to sit that take up a lot of sidewalk space I do not think we need more.	8/15/2019 3:12 AM
105	yes	8/15/2019 2:31 AM
106	Yes	8/15/2019 2:05 AM
107	Yes	8/15/2019 2:04 AM
108	Yes	8/15/2019 1:14 AM
109	yes	8/15/2019 1:01 AM
110	I don't care about flex space	8/14/2019 11:43 PM
111	Do not get rid of parking. I don't want to hang out in a parking space either	8/14/2019 11:18 PM
112	Yes	8/14/2019 10:10 PM
113	Yee	8/14/2019 9:06 PM
114	Yes	8/14/2019 8:36 PM
115	Dumb idea Why would we give up parking spaces on the street when you have screwed up drivers trying to rundown people in crosswalks. Who in the world would want to eat in the street?Alfresco on the sidewalk is sheik eating in the street is stupid. Don't waist out money on more of these dumb ideas.	8/14/2019 8:18 PM
116	Yes	8/14/2019 4:24 PM
117	YES	8/14/2019 4:09 PM
118	Yes	8/14/2019 3:58 PM
119	Yes	8/14/2019 3:52 PM
120	YES	8/14/2019 3:46 PM
121	Yes	8/14/2019 3:35 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

122	Yes	8/14/2019 3:31 PM
123	I don't think that's a good idea, unless it's raised or waiters or waitresses would be running back and forth and using the sidewalk would run into them.	8/14/2019 3:15 PM
124	Yes	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
125	Yes	8/14/2019 2:58 PM
126	Yes	8/14/2019 2:26 PM
127	Yes....changes the historic sense.	8/14/2019 2:13 PM
128	Yes	8/14/2019 2:08 PM
129	Yes	8/14/2019 2:07 PM
130	Yes	8/14/2019 2:04 PM
131	Need parking	8/14/2019 2:03 PM
132	Yes	8/14/2019 2:02 PM
133	yes	8/14/2019 1:59 PM
134	Yes	8/14/2019 1:25 PM
135	Yes	8/14/2019 1:23 PM
136	Yes	8/14/2019 1:05 PM
137	Agree	8/14/2019 12:59 PM
138	Not a good idea	8/14/2019 12:58 PM
139	Prefer not to have flex space and maintain parking	8/14/2019 12:55 PM
140	Yes	8/14/2019 12:49 PM
141	Yes	8/14/2019 12:44 PM
142	Yes	8/14/2019 12:26 PM
143	Yes	8/14/2019 12:14 PM
144	This would be a horrible idea. Down town has limited parking as it is. How about more handicap parking locations?	8/14/2019 12:02 PM
145	Yes	8/14/2019 11:58 AM
146	Yes, not enough parking to begin with	8/14/2019 11:51 AM
147	Keep the parking	8/14/2019 11:48 AM
148	Yes	8/14/2019 11:30 AM
149	Yes	8/14/2019 11:20 AM
150	Don't see the need - parking is more important	8/14/2019 11:17 AM
151	With the way people fly down First St., continuously make illegal U turns and barely yield to pedestrians, it would be a nightmare and scary to "sit" in the street.	8/14/2019 11:03 AM
152	100%	8/14/2019 10:52 AM
153	Yes	8/14/2019 10:50 AM
154	Yes	8/14/2019 10:23 AM
155	YES, absolutely!	8/14/2019 10:13 AM
156	Yes	8/14/2019 10:05 AM
157	Yes	8/14/2019 9:49 AM
158	Yes	8/14/2019 9:36 AM
159	Yes	8/14/2019 9:34 AM
160	Yes	8/14/2019 9:32 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

161	Yes	8/14/2019 9:29 AM
162	Yes	8/14/2019 9:19 AM
163	yes	8/14/2019 8:59 AM
164	Yes	8/14/2019 8:56 AM
165	□	8/14/2019 8:42 AM
166	Yes	8/14/2019 8:35 AM
167	maintain parking	8/14/2019 8:32 AM
168	Yes	8/14/2019 8:14 AM
169	Need handicap parking	8/14/2019 7:56 AM
170	Yes	8/14/2019 7:26 AM
171	This	8/14/2019 7:17 AM
172	Yes	8/14/2019 7:04 AM
173	we need more parking...	8/14/2019 7:04 AM
174	Yes	8/14/2019 6:28 AM
175	Yes	8/14/2019 6:11 AM
176	keep the parking	8/14/2019 5:58 AM
177	Yes	8/14/2019 5:56 AM
178	No	8/14/2019 5:39 AM
179	There is not enough parking as it is	8/14/2019 5:37 AM
180	Yes	8/14/2019 5:05 AM
181	Yes	8/14/2019 4:55 AM
182	X	8/14/2019 4:41 AM
183	YES	8/14/2019 4:32 AM
184	Yes	8/14/2019 4:22 AM
185	yes	8/14/2019 4:02 AM
186	YES	8/14/2019 4:00 AM
187	yes	8/14/2019 3:42 AM
188	No	8/14/2019 3:40 AM
189	Yes	8/14/2019 3:35 AM
190	YES	8/14/2019 2:48 AM
191	Frivolous	8/14/2019 2:42 AM
192	YES	8/14/2019 2:04 AM
193	This	8/14/2019 1:52 AM
194	Yes	8/14/2019 1:25 AM
195	Yes	8/14/2019 1:23 AM
196	The side walks are being taken up by outside seating to the point I walk Second Street more.	8/13/2019 2:43 PM
197	yes	8/13/2019 10:16 AM
198	No flex space , plenty of sidewalk options	8/13/2019 8:16 AM
199	I prefer not to have flex spaces, we are a small town let's keep it that way.	8/13/2019 4:17 AM
200	Poor idea, place for transient problems	8/13/2019 3:24 AM
201	Yes	8/13/2019 1:09 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

202	Yes	8/12/2019 9:07 PM
203	Yes	8/12/2019 8:43 AM
204	Please don't do this	8/12/2019 7:58 AM
205	Don't like this idea. No parklets please.	8/12/2019 7:42 AM
206	YES	8/12/2019 6:46 AM
207	yes	8/12/2019 6:26 AM
208	Yes	8/12/2019 6:15 AM
209	Yes	8/12/2019 6:10 AM
210	Yes, if we have too few spaces now why take one or more away? does not seem logical.	8/12/2019 6:03 AM
211	yes	8/12/2019 5:13 AM
212	I'm concerned it will turn into a homeless hangout and think seating is adequately provided by our merchants	8/12/2019 4:31 AM
213	yes	8/12/2019 4:28 AM
214	No	8/12/2019 3:59 AM
215	yes	8/12/2019 3:27 AM
216	Yes	8/12/2019 3:04 AM
217	X	8/12/2019 2:46 AM
218	Yes	8/12/2019 2:33 AM
219	YES	8/12/2019 2:21 AM
220	YES	8/12/2019 2:14 AM
221	yes	8/11/2019 10:25 AM
222	yes	8/11/2019 9:56 AM
223	YES	8/10/2019 9:26 AM
224	YES	8/10/2019 2:11 AM
225	yes	8/6/2019 5:57 AM
#	OTHER (PLEASE IDENTIFY A SPECIFIC LOCATION)	DATE
1	Waterfront	8/24/2019 5:32 AM
2	Everywhere	8/23/2019 1:39 PM
3	not good idea	8/20/2019 3:00 AM
4	Enforce the parking laws we have!	8/18/2019 6:57 AM
5	Side street	8/17/2019 2:38 PM
6	By Lucca and or Union Hotel	8/16/2019 1:08 PM
7	Side street off of First.	8/16/2019 11:21 AM
8	Need additional handicap parking slots. Painful to walk some days.	8/16/2019 8:24 AM
9	just add more benches where there are wider sidewalks	8/16/2019 7:44 AM
10	No flex space!	8/16/2019 6:51 AM
11	No	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
12	Don't know	8/16/2019 5:52 AM
13	No	8/16/2019 4:25 AM
14	No	8/16/2019 4:04 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

15	It would be helpful to have a more complete definition of a flex space. Specifically, is the conversion a temporary action or permanent where the parking space is lost.	8/16/2019 4:02 AM
16	These are NOT needed. Many business have seating outside, some which limit the availability for 2 people to pass each other. SF has tried these, and residents are not happy with them. We don't need less parking!	8/16/2019 1:33 AM
17	No. No. No. Do not remove parking. It works as is.	8/16/2019 12:46 AM
18	Permanently pave large lots between First St and Yacht Club	8/15/2019 9:44 PM
19	Along the the square. 1st & B to East H St. to East 5th and back around on Military East & First or reverse. During The events that close off First Street. Even our theater night runs and events at the Veterans Hall & many other places along First & J Street. Otherwise 150 West J Street. additionally the bus stops for Solano Transit are best options. East 5th & N St. has a vacant property.	8/15/2019 1:00 PM
20	NONE WHATSOEVER!!!!	8/15/2019 12:46 PM
21	I like outdoor dining but only if restaurant uses existing space available	8/15/2019 11:10 AM
22	Parking is great now and there is enough sidewalk space for outdoor dining. Do not change anything!	8/15/2019 10:35 AM
23	NO	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
24	!	8/15/2019 9:51 AM
25	East second parking lots	8/15/2019 8:06 AM
26	I hate these- Martinez ruined their downtown by adding these and I don't go there hardly ever anymore!	8/15/2019 5:23 AM
27	I prefer the sidewalk dining spaces like we have now. I am not a fan of flex spaces	8/14/2019 3:52 PM
28	I would like to see spaces inbetween buildings turned into parklet-like in Petaluma	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
29	No	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
30	Not sure what flex space means.	8/14/2019 1:54 PM
31	Sorry no in put	8/14/2019 12:37 PM
32	No comment, I don't live there (I grew up there)	8/14/2019 12:34 PM
33	Parking issues in Benicia are dependent on what is going on. Not sure how that could help if we can't park because of something at the foot of first street, versus the farmer's market versus something happening at City park...	8/14/2019 11:56 AM
34	My suggestion would take away necessary 1st St parking but I love the concept.	8/14/2019 11:15 AM
35	The garden would be a better space for this	8/14/2019 9:49 AM
36	Any of the deadend side streets off 1st Street	8/14/2019 8:31 AM
37	Don't take any more street space from cars.	8/14/2019 8:07 AM
38	Luca's side street would be good. Union Hotel side street and all other corner resturants with a side street.	8/14/2019 7:03 AM
39	anywhere waterside	8/14/2019 6:47 AM
40	Parklets are a hilariously bad idea! Mayor Patterson must have thought of this!	8/14/2019 5:39 AM
41	End of First Street.	8/14/2019 5:30 AM
42	I don't like this idea. There is too much 'cluttered dining already and encouraging more people to 'hang' is a bad idea	8/14/2019 3:14 AM
43	West side of "I" Street	8/13/2019 6:40 AM
44	None	8/12/2019 8:57 AM
45	/?	8/12/2019 7:18 AM
46	Bad Idea. It's terrible in Martinez	8/12/2019 6:26 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

47	None	8/12/2019 6:03 AM
48	Any organization/company in ALL of Benicia as long as it is safe.	8/12/2019 3:59 AM
49	Throughout the downtown area at reasonable distances, adjacent to various eating places.	8/12/2019 2:35 AM
50	That seems like a really dangerous idea. You want people (kids) to basically be in the street...?	8/10/2019 9:26 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

Q20 Anything else you want us to know about parking and access to Downtown Benicia?

Answered: 319 Skipped: 116

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Do not give people parking tickets.	8/24/2019 5:32 AM
2	It is good now	8/23/2019 1:39 PM
3	Benicia should have designated spots for merchants so they don't take up all the regular spots for residents and customers that shop downtown. This is a major problem, because owners and employees take up a lot of the parking spaces on 1st Street.	8/22/2019 12:39 AM
4	The fact that there are no meters makes me visit downtown more frequently. I would reconsider going downtown if I had to pay for parking.	8/21/2019 1:17 PM
5	I would not like to see metered parking. Enforcing the existing time periods would open up parking more often. Try to convince business owners and employees to leave First Street Parking for the visitors.	8/21/2019 12:10 PM
6	The parking lot right off Main Street always seems to be perfect for me when I am looking for parking.	8/21/2019 7:31 AM
7	The parking lot by First Street Green needs to be better utilized. Parking enforcement would likely solve most of the parking issues along First Street. Business owners regularly park all day long; a few tickets should take care of the issue. Parking meters would be welcome!	8/20/2019 11:01 AM
8	There is enough space, we just need to permit parking for owners if business, employees and renters of apartments. they are the largest violators.	8/20/2019 3:00 AM
9	more for handicapped	8/19/2019 5:35 AM
10	Parking is most difficult from 11:30-1:30 (lunch hour) especially on weekdays.	8/19/2019 3:41 AM
11	No Parking Meters, Please! Number 1 reason I moved to Benicia - what a relief to have no parking meters!	8/19/2019 3:12 AM
12	You've been doing parking studies for the past 40 years. It's time to get off the pot and FINALLY do something pro-active. This town is great on studies but never implementing them. Some parking meters would solve your problems immediately!	8/19/2019 1:36 AM
13	Some of the write-in comment sections of this survey do not work. So here are my comments for #17 and #19. I think Sonoma, Ca has great parking along it's plaza. Diagonal parking along the plaza with 3 different free parking lots behind the main streets forming the plaza. If the parking lot across from the Yacht Club was paved it would serve as great additional downtown parking. #19 I prefer not to have flex spaces and wish to maintain parking. Martinez's flex spaces are dangerous and irritating. Our 30 minute green spots are wonderful for short term parking. Please keep them. Lastly, I am opposed to parking meters and would like to see better enforcement of parking time limits by BPD. Interesting the write-ins finally worked at the end of the survey when I clicked submit.☐	8/18/2019 12:20 PM
14	I don't go to farmers market because it is impossible to park	8/18/2019 10:57 AM
15	To many employees are taking up some parking. Noted by their car being parked in the same place all day. There is no enforcement of the laws we have. So unfortunately this survey is mute.	8/18/2019 6:57 AM
16	Be sure to include sufficient parking for disabled and seniors up and down first street.	8/18/2019 4:02 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

17	The event "parking lot" on East 2nd between E and D streets needs to be vastly improved-- leveled, paved, striped parking spaces... I would not park a car there--potholes, rocks, alley access is not suitable for walking. The alley NEEDS to be paved--it is not safe to walk on with all the holes and ruts. This current location is ideal as it is only a block from downtown and has the potential to hold a lot of vehicles. The space is listed as event parking but it is hardly a real parking lot. I think angled (if space allows), metered parking on 1st would be reasonable and would allow more patrons to park. Lastly, and very importantly, Benicia NEEDS to put a stop sign at the intersection on 1st Street and D Street. There is no stop sign for way too long of a stretch from F to the water. Please address this.	8/18/2019 2:45 AM
18	The gravel parking lot needs to either be blocked off or paved. I live nearby and have to constantly wash my vehicle due to particle dust being blown into atmosphere. I also get this material inside my vehicle when my windows are open. I like having my home windows open for fresh air and have a fine mineral deposit on my window screens that accumulate weekly. I am concerned that I am continuously breathing in this fine particulate matter and have long term health concerns.	8/18/2019 2:35 AM
19	Don't remove the parking lots that exist over by the yacht club.	8/18/2019 1:32 AM
20	Residents are not acknowledged for downtown. Our guests have to move their cars because of timed parking. Residents need to be able to have a permit (even a temp timed one) so they can leave a vehicle on the street for extended time. My neighbor has a truck that is too big for the garage. Has to move it multiple times a day or park blocks away and risk getting a window broken out.	8/18/2019 1:15 AM
21	What about handicap accessible parking? I had a temporary placard and the only place I could find to park was in the lot at the end of First Street across from Bella Siena. Each block should have at least one handicap space. We also need more bike racks to conveniently park and secure bikes on or around First St. Parking for events like the Peddlers Faire and holiday celebrations is impossible. Shuttles from Safeway or the BHS would be helpful.	8/18/2019 1:03 AM
22	Right now we are completely dependent on the parking lots across from the Benicia Yaught Club, on Kuhland Alley. And the lot next to it. If we can keep those spaces for event parking which we have a lot including every Thursday Farmer Market then that make the downtown parking feasible. We have to keep those lots for parking. Also the open space offered by the Community Garden is helpful in two ways, it offers parking on that street where no businesses are and it gives a less congested feel to downtown. So that area is a significant benefit as well to the parking.	8/18/2019 12:15 AM
23	I definitely don't think we should take any of our spaces away.	8/17/2019 10:56 PM
24	There is NO handicapped parking on First Street. We need to accommodate people with disabilities!	8/17/2019 4:10 PM
25	No, thanks 4 asking	8/17/2019 2:38 PM
26	parking would be more abundant by maintaining a 2-3 hour limit and designating off street parking for employees of businesses.	8/17/2019 1:14 PM
27	Definitely need more public parking One to 3 story free parking with solar panels on top level put on property city if benicia already owns	8/17/2019 3:34 AM
28	Parking is not the best during festivals,etc. But everyday not to bad. I live on West K and walk every chance I get. When I do drive I encounter parking issues and I have a handicap placard. I just don't want to see some big parking structure go up and ruin our town.	8/17/2019 2:47 AM
29	I think it's great, as it is. I would not change it.	8/17/2019 1:28 AM
30	I am an older adult. I think that we need more handicapped parking spaces and signs to urge drivers to watch for pedestrians. We could also have a campaign to urge pedestrians not to dress in all black in the evening because they are hard to see.	8/17/2019 1:27 AM
31	The more parking the more people will visit	8/16/2019 11:25 PM
32	Thanks for looking into this and making Benicia a beautiful place.	8/16/2019 10:57 PM
33	We could utilize the space in front of the depot for additional parking	8/16/2019 4:42 PM
34	None	8/16/2019 4:06 PM
35	If you put in parking meters, I won't go downtown much. Don't put too tight of time limits around St. Paul's. More disabled parking for our community members that need it, especially near the church.	8/16/2019 3:39 PM
36	In glad we don't have meters.	8/16/2019 2:32 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

37	There are times when I go to specific places to either shop or eat and can't find parking within a couple blocks, so I just go home and forget about it.	8/16/2019 1:40 PM
38	Keep it free.	8/16/2019 1:08 PM
39	I usually walk downtown, the exception is when I m on my way home from work, I will often stop at the bakery for bread. Parking is most difficult on first street between I and J	8/16/2019 12:48 PM
40	I am temporarily handicapped (broken leg). I had no idea how difficult it is to find parking near my destination until walking was an impediment for me! I can imagine this is a serious issue for others who have more permanent disabilities. After several attempts I have decided that right now I cannot frequent downtown Benicia unless someone else is driving and can drop my off. Very frustrating.	8/16/2019 12:36 PM
41	The parking very bad. people pull out in front of you to leave. People stop to take a place to park where someone is leaving. Stopping in the street is not a very good idea. I feel there should be an area to park for free. And then people will not hold up other drivers. First street is not that long to walk. and with a garage you would not have to drive around for ever. It would save a lot of time. There are a lot of fields around First street	8/16/2019 12:12 PM
42	N/A	8/16/2019 11:42 AM
43	Keep it free	8/16/2019 11:21 AM
44	As a disabled person, I have several times asked the planning department for more disabled spaces in convenient locations. There are not enough, and they are not close enough to destinations. The end of First Street has two across from the Tannery and then one further down towards the spit that I have never seen anyone park in, because it is close to nothing at all. The middle of First Street, from Military to D Street, has a grand total of four blue spaces, and they are on side streets. Another thing--when the city redid the ramps at the corners, they made some of them them so steep that I cannot walk up them. I would be surprised if a person in a wheelchair could manage them either. The corner by First Street Cafe is a prime example. This town is, in general, not as disabled friendly as it could/should be.	8/16/2019 11:16 AM
45	Benicia has plenty of free parking, unlike Lafayette or Rockridge	8/16/2019 11:01 AM
46	I think the parking is fine as is. Metered parking would drive locals and visitors away. Parklets are a bad idea.	8/16/2019 10:41 AM
47	Yes, the "other" fields didn't allow completion with an iPad. My first two "other" responses were to visit the art galleries on First Street monthly. The third was Concord - there's a parking garage by Todos Santos plaza. I'd like to see the gravel lot at the end of F street into a low-rise parking structure.	8/16/2019 10:27 AM
48	More stop signs to slow traffic	8/16/2019 10:10 AM
49	Ive heard possible parallel parking. I think that could be a potential disaster die to people backing out.	8/16/2019 10:06 AM
50	I enjoy walking when I have time or the weather or time of day is right. I used to be comfortable walking alone downtown and along the marina after dark, but I don't anymore. Nothing has happened in particular except I was followed a few times and ducked into a doorway. I don't think there is enough happening downtown to warrant big parking structures. I miss some of the events we used to have, Camel Races and Speed Boat Races, etc,	8/16/2019 9:34 AM
51	Had to guess at question 19. Wasn't sure how to answer. Parking on First Street can be tight and I would be opposed to flex space unless alternate parking was created (i.e. large parking lot).	8/16/2019 9:30 AM
52	Please add markings that designate individual parking spaces on 1st street and side streets. It is frustrating when one car takes up what could be two parking spaces.	8/16/2019 9:29 AM
53	I appreciate the parking lots we have, although for those with limited mobility having some closer to the middle of first street would be better. We don't have very many spots marked handicapped, we don't have any loading zones either, which often makes driving down first street a challenge. There should be some sort term parking (20 minutes) and a handicapped parking spot on every block. The parking has become much more difficult since multiple gyms have opened up there. Too bad they can't have off-street parking somewhere. Thanks	8/16/2019 9:15 AM
54	Too many big trucks cruising. Too many car smokers in public spaces. Too many guys parked by fishing pier listening to Rush Limbaugh LOUD in their cars.	8/16/2019 9:13 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

55	The Farm to Flour truck needs to go away. It doesn't move for weeks at a time. Owner is taking up two parking spots. I refuse to visit this business.	8/16/2019 8:25 AM
56	Please construct additional handicap parking on first street.	8/16/2019 8:24 AM
57	Ticket overtime parkers. Return meters and diagonal parking.	8/16/2019 8:05 AM
58	Parking seems to be impacted mid day and evenings. Early morning and late afternoon seems easier to park.	8/16/2019 8:01 AM
59	I think Benicia's parking is just fine the way it is :)	8/16/2019 7:44 AM
60	I am also against meters	8/16/2019 7:25 AM
61	There is no issue at all with parking in downtown unless there is a fair of some sort. This is really ridiculous!	8/16/2019 6:51 AM
62	Would love it if the side streets were marked off for parking just like on 1st street. Specifically the letter streets (Painted lines for parking spots).	8/16/2019 6:38 AM
63	I would go downtown much less frequently if you had to pay for parking or there were more time limits.	8/16/2019 6:32 AM
64	Parking is limited as I see many employees of businesses parking on first street when they are working (as well as owners of shops).	8/16/2019 6:27 AM
65	No	8/16/2019 5:56 AM
66	No	8/16/2019 5:52 AM
67	Quit worrying about non-problems and focus on more important issues, such as the conditions of the streets, making it too hard for new business's to open, whining about the refinery and hassling lunch trucks...	8/16/2019 5:34 AM
68	East 2nd Street need desperately to be repaved & repaired.	8/16/2019 5:07 AM
69	Current spaces are to small for trucks.	8/16/2019 5:06 AM
70	No	8/16/2019 5:02 AM
71	There are available lots off First Street if one cannot find parking right on First Street	8/16/2019 5:01 AM
72	Open up the spots behind double rainbow as public parking	8/16/2019 4:53 AM
73	Please don't install parking meters in downtown Benicia. It's ruined Lafayette parking.	8/16/2019 4:45 AM
74	Handicap parking is extremely limited and makes it difficult for me to visit certain locations	8/16/2019 4:37 AM
75	There's plenty of parking. It's the stop signs that need work. They need to be at EACH intersection. Non-residents miss them ALL THE TIME.	8/16/2019 4:36 AM
76	No	8/16/2019 4:25 AM
77	Problems I have observed...we often get people parking in the private lot at my place of work (people who live nearby and people patronizing other businesses). It is becoming increasingly difficult to park on side streets off of First St. I have relatives who live off of First Street who often have trouble finding parking near their home.	8/16/2019 4:15 AM
78	The only time parking is challenging is during major events (Pedder's Faire, Christmas tree lighting, etc).	8/16/2019 4:14 AM
79	The only current issue with visiting downtown is the presence of aggressive dogs in the hands of immature owners.	8/16/2019 4:08 AM
80	Sidewalks are unsafe and there are too many obstructions (signs, chairs/tables on the sidewalk.	8/16/2019 4:04 AM
81	As a downtown resident, it is often difficult to park near where I live because of limited parking available to visitors to downtown and employees. I would like to see more vigorous enforcement of existing time-limited parking and parking preference provided for residents (similar to permit parking in the 300 block of East L Street.	8/16/2019 4:02 AM
82	How much do residents within the first block near First Street suffer with parking impact in front of their homes? Farmer's Market is about as crowded as we should really build for, not for the annual biggies like Peddlar's Fair.	8/16/2019 4:01 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

83	3 hr parking rule needs to be enacted it would solve a lot of our parking problems....need more handicap parking...	8/16/2019 3:59 AM
84	Hard for residents to park when there are large events	8/16/2019 3:50 AM
85	please come up with a solution for downtown events instead of relying on everyone parking in Solano square and taking all the spaces for my paying customers that I am paying rent for! My business drops during these events and only benefits businesses on First street who aren't paying my high rent. This is a ongoing problem that I have been dealing with for 25 years!!	8/16/2019 3:49 AM
86	I don't notice much in the way of disabled parking spaces. Are there any buses that come down 1st street? I never see them. If so, why not?	8/16/2019 3:27 AM
87	Improved parking & traffic enforcement	8/16/2019 2:39 AM
88	I've lived here for 39 years... there's no community that comes to mind where parking is less of a problem.	8/16/2019 2:34 AM
89	parking for disabilities is very limited in non existent in downtown. It would be nice to have one space so designated on each side of the street every block and one nearest crosswalk would be most ideal	8/16/2019 1:40 AM
90	Please find new places to park in Benicia. Any event is a hassle for parking and especially restrooms. Can the city find land and find business owners who can help with both these situations. Parking and bathrooms are paramount to keep people coming back to Benicia. We have a problem with both in our town. Please talk to owners who might be willing to open their restrooms to the public and the city can maintain them. It is crucial. Find the money and purchase or lease land to increase parking. If we are going to grow we need these two things! Thank you	8/16/2019 1:38 AM
91	Could use more handicap parking spots. Many of the downtown streets are uneven. I took a fall a few years ago, and ended up needing hip replacement years later due to fall. I was only 55. So, instead of 'Parklets', fix the sidewalks, unless you want to have a slew of lawsuits.	8/16/2019 1:33 AM
92	Need to hatch mark parking to make more efficient. Need to hatch Mark side streets of first to increase efficiency Need to have large sign by park telling motorist to respect pedestrians	8/16/2019 1:10 AM
93	We could use another lot like the E and B lots, up toward the north end of First Street. Safeway has started towing cars that park up there.	8/16/2019 12:46 AM
94	More signage to public parking..	8/16/2019 12:45 AM
95	Need correct amount of ADA parking spots for our aging population	8/15/2019 11:59 PM
96	There is big lot off of First Street no one uses at all (we need signs for that)- there's small lots not being used. There's parking at the end of First Street to the right going to the pier and a huge lot that no one uses - or is permitted to use at the end of First Street outside the old train station. No more parking spaces on First Street--- Lots more signage for existing lots.	8/15/2019 10:32 PM
97	I live in Southampton so need to drive to First Street which I frequent almost daily for coffee shops/bakeries/retail, etc. Parking is a challenge at times, and I have driven to other areas away from First St, but within Benicia, when I can't find parking within 1-2 blocks on First St. I have arthritic knees and a bone spur so walking long distances is not an option.	8/15/2019 9:44 PM
98	We need handicap parking.	8/15/2019 4:35 PM
99	No	8/15/2019 4:31 PM
100	Please please please do NOT allow scooters like those that litter every walkway in San Francisco! I also do not want to have to pay for parking. We should be building more satellite lots like those down the street near First Street Cafe. But those lots should be paved, with proper parking spaces, with exits to East Second Street.	8/15/2019 4:22 PM
101	While First St got nicely resurfaced, the intersections are very uneven. Its difficult to cross some of these in a wheelchair or walker.	8/15/2019 3:50 PM
102	Less thugs and homeless please	8/15/2019 2:40 PM
103	Parking should always be free	8/15/2019 2:26 PM
104	I am disabled and have fallen more than once walking on uneven surfaces on Benicia sidewalks. There is NO DISABLED parking. I literally have to consider this in order to be safe.	8/15/2019 2:25 PM
105	Nothing else	8/15/2019 1:58 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

106	Make parking accessible for handicap & seniors. Parking garage centrally located on 1st st. would be helpful.	8/15/2019 1:46 PM
107	most spots on the street are 3 hours only. i believe people who work in the businesses on the street should get some sort of permit/card so they're able to park on the street if needed.	8/15/2019 1:33 PM
108	No meters	8/15/2019 1:25 PM
109	we don't need meters or a parking garage downtown yet	8/15/2019 1:03 PM
110	Will there be a public discussion? I work Tuesday thru Saturday until 3:30PM Thank you for the survey. I have several ideas. I have especially been interested in a connection to the Industrial Park Bus stop at Park and Industrial for the Vacaville to BART Bus service. I may have gotten off track but working in transportation for Dial-A-Ride, Meal on Wheels and Class B wheelchair bus driver I see a large portion of our population not visiting First Street. Services provided are only for specific needs. Having a safe spot would open up our downtown beyond the parking issue.	8/15/2019 1:00 PM
111	Event parking is scarce.	8/15/2019 12:59 PM
112	Who is the fucking idiot that's pushing parklets. I bet it's some dumb ass mindless consultant or a Benicia city planner.	8/15/2019 12:46 PM
113	I do not want to pay for parking. I want at least 3 hours on first street and unlimited times off first street. If I have to pay for parking I will go elsewhere.	8/15/2019 12:31 PM
114	No	8/15/2019 12:23 PM
115	No	8/15/2019 12:21 PM
116	There is a truck parked alongside Farm and Flour EVERY DAY. It never moves. I don't stop in their establishment as I feel it's unfair they block patrons from parking.	8/15/2019 12:17 PM
117	No	8/15/2019 12:10 PM
118	Whether I come on a weekday or weekend, I never have a problem finding parking!! There are plenty of small lots off of first street that always have room! There is also a big lot at the bottom of first street where the turnaround is that always has room! Maybe a sign to advertise that that lot exists? I think many people don't realize that parking there is an option. Just in general, more signage regarding parking options would be nice. There are some "public parking" signs along first street, but not many for the lots that are just off of first street by a block or so.	8/15/2019 12:07 PM
119	I think the existing parking works pretty well.	8/15/2019 12:03 PM
120	Great that it's free parking	8/15/2019 11:44 AM
121	Other cities that have created islands actually make walking on the sidewalk harder not easier as you have to navigate around foliage/landscape and it takes away from valuable parking	8/15/2019 11:10 AM
122	Please do not take parking away or you will lose customers. It's fine now but I'm not going to the farmers market if I have to park more than 2 blocks away. And get rid of the homeless.	8/15/2019 10:35 AM
123	If a group of men and women who are over 70 years old want to get together on a regular basis to have coffee, where should they go for a cup of coffee on First St. at 10am on a Tuesday morning? Let's say they choose One House Bakery. Let's say this group of 6-10 people get into 5-6 cars and drive to One House Bakery. Do you know how difficult it is to find a parking space within 150 feet of the bakery? And if any of those 10 people has mobility problems - i.e., a walker, a wheelchair, or a cane, then walking more than 20 feet is very difficult. HOW MANY PARKING SPACES ON FIRST STREET ARE RESERVED FOR 'HANDICAPPED' PERSONS? This survey seems to have been designed by a city (and a consultant) that wants to be "hip", and not OLD. City of Benicia, you can have it both ways. Please remember, City of Benicia, you have to include the older population when you consider parking & transportation issues. Rather than e-bikes and e-scooters (or, maybe in addition to), let's also have hop on/hop off shuttle bus. Pave that lot at East E & East 2nd (or put up a 2-level parking structure), and get a small shuttle running there to stopping points on First St. First St. needs to be ACCESSIBLE for ALL, not just the young and hip. Thank you.	8/15/2019 10:07 AM
124	why no questions about parking for handicapped/elderly?	8/15/2019 10:05 AM
125	As a long time resident, it is my hope that things are left alone as is. I would be extremely unhappy over meters installed, parking garage, really any change. Benicia has a unique charm of a small town which remains the draw. Its concerning just to see this survey !	8/15/2019 9:51 AM
126	I think that downtown parking is great as is.	8/15/2019 9:47 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

127	I would like to see better lighting in the large gravel covered lot a couple of blocks off First Street. I would also like to see parking stay free. For large events, perhaps shuttles could be used.	8/15/2019 9:41 AM
128	Let us make the decision	8/15/2019 9:35 AM
129	The parking spaces for people in the condo's at the end of First st. by the park should not be held for them. It is a "public parking" area.	8/15/2019 9:28 AM
130	Business employees should park up to a block away since they'll be there for several hours and leave street parking for customers	8/15/2019 9:26 AM
131	Lack of street parking during farmer's markets make it difficult to find parking, but always get a spot within a few blocks any other time.	8/15/2019 9:23 AM
132	It sucks	8/15/2019 8:35 AM
133	NO SCOOTERS Don't let merchants create pinch points along the sidewalk with outdoor street seating. Allow this only where the building setback is sufficient to keep a full width sidewalk available for pedestrians. Where allowed insist they install adequate separation to prevent patron's dogs separated from pedestrian's dogs.	8/15/2019 8:33 AM
134	We have parking already off of first street. We do not need more parking... More cars on the Main Street is dangerous. No more parking spaces. Not needed!!!!	8/15/2019 8:06 AM
135	I think there is enough parking to accommodate the amount of people that are downtown on an average day/night. I also believe there are lots not being utilized and can be better marketed.	8/15/2019 7:55 AM
136	I've noticed there's a nice public parking lot recently right off Main Street. I asked a local business if the parking lot was new since it was so empty and was informed that it is not at all new. I think if there was better signage i would've found it and used it much sooner.	8/15/2019 7:44 AM
137	Whenever I park in the lot that is a block or two from the Main Street I notice there are never any cars there. I don't think that people know it's there and is very convenient. There are already too many cars on Main Street (especially since there's only a turn-around at the end) creating more traffic. Make sure people know there is lots of parking right off of the Main drag. That should be sufficient enough. If not, I've noticed several smaller lots that the city could use to create anywhere from 10-20 additional spaces near businesses.	8/15/2019 7:12 AM
138	Let me know if you identify areas that can be allocated for additional parking. Our gallery has one owner/employee at a time. Some businesses have 30-40 employees. Where they park is a major concern.	8/15/2019 7:10 AM
139	Many of the spaces are taken up by those living in the second floor apartments. The parking hour limit is not enforced. Also, many employees park outside or near the business they are working. (1) Enforce the time limit especially so that apartment individuals will park in their permitted spaces (usually behind the building)-- (2) Somehow strongly encourage employees to not park on First Street -- (3) Make sure there is vibrant signage for the parking lot located near First Street that very few people know about --(4) Obtain more spaces in the empty lot areas, absolutely not on the street. More parking on the street will not only change our small town feel, but will make the streets less safe. There is enough parking if we use our creative minds. This is a walking town.	8/15/2019 7:04 AM
140	N/a	8/15/2019 6:40 AM
141	If you are truly considering adding flex spots jutting out into the street you are idiots! It ruined Downtown Martinez and it could take away safety and the ability for cars to quickly proceed through the area. It will limit the amount of people that come downtown because they won't want to get stuck in the slower traffic, and there will be less parking for them. Benicians will stay because a lot of us enjoy walking, but there will be less tourists. Is this really what we want?	8/15/2019 5:23 AM
142	I see no problem with the way things are now.	8/15/2019 3:12 AM
143	It's the big events downtown that are the problem.	8/15/2019 2:31 AM
144	Enforcing traffic and parking laws would be helpful. Stop signs and painted lines for stops need to be more visible.	8/15/2019 2:05 AM
145	I have a business just off First Street. There are 5 spaces in front of my business. Often owners and employees of First St. business's park in front of my place. Often owners and businesses employees from First St. are encouraged not to park on First St.. They should be encouraged not to park in front of any business!!!! It's pure laziness. Just off First St. businesses are important as well!!!!	8/15/2019 2:04 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

146	Please don't add parking meters or pay to park	8/15/2019 1:49 AM
147	The only time I struggle with parking is twice a year; Torchlight Parade and Xmas Tree Lighting; but I plan for it and expect the crowds. I find far less problem with parking and much more issue with first street crosswalk/stop sign safety.	8/15/2019 1:07 AM
148	Parking during big events such as Peddlers Fair, 4th of July, Waterfront Festival, etc is a MAJOR problem. Build a parking structure where those public dirt lots are now. Easier parking would allow more downtown events.	8/15/2019 1:01 AM
149	Don't ruin Benicia and install parking meters, create pay lots, or litter it with scooters. I don't go to other downtown areas because Benicia is special. If I have to pay for parking, I might as well do my shopping and dining in Walnut Creek.	8/15/2019 12:45 AM
150	It's super easy, not sure why the survey is taking place as it seems sufficient for the size of our town and it's residents. I would be interested to understand the goals of this survey. Are there specific concerns being addressed? When will results and action items be discussed?	8/14/2019 11:50 PM
151	The gravel lot is about the only parking lot used for multiple events downtown. More locations like that would be great!	8/14/2019 11:48 PM
152	No	8/14/2019 11:43 PM
153	No. Do not charge for parking as you will turn people assy	8/14/2019 11:18 PM
154	Please do NOT have parking meters, whatever you do!!!!	8/14/2019 10:57 PM
155	We have elderly and disabled family members that we don't take downtown due to lack of ADA parking. They're ability to walk is limited and they do NOT use scooters.	8/14/2019 10:10 PM
156	I've been to cities with Parklets (Pismo Beach) and when parking is crowded it just feels like the Parklet is a waste of space. I think people would be unhappy during Farmers Market nights if we had Parklets. There is enough parking on First St except for on Thurs evenings during Farmers market. Parking is now tight every day around One House Bakery (all the days they are open). I typically park several blocks away if I'm in a hurry and don't have time to walk downtown. It's fine but I wonder if the residents who live in the blocks that neighbor First St get irritated?	8/14/2019 8:36 PM
157	It's not broken, leave it alone.	8/14/2019 8:18 PM
158	In Pacifica by Carmel , the parking is in the middle of the street. Cars travel a little slower AND more stop signs keep the pedestrians more visible. The uneven sidewalks are a serious hazard. The seating on the sidewalks create limited access to strollers, wheelchairs, walkers, and dog walkers. ALSO Safeway corner should have a left turn signal. Going from Safeway turning left onto Military is the worst possible spot. Many people have barely escaped being hit in the crosswalk. Put the left turn signals back. You have them at Military and E Second	8/14/2019 4:24 PM
159	Maybe more areas with a restricted time. 3 hrs max? And move the cars being used for marketing purposes. Also, as a waterfront resident. There are times we would actually kayak into downtown but there is no safe/reasonable way to lock a kayak up.	8/14/2019 4:09 PM
160	There are many missed opportunities in this survey. For example: Respondents cannot give feedback about the lack of suitable parking for disabled drivers. Question 5) There should be a box to leave a comment if a person indicates they do not feel safe walking in the downtown area. It would help to explain their reasons. Question 9b) I find the phrasing of this question odd. In my opinion, these two options can be contradictory. "Ability to quickly and easily find parking, willing to park farther from destination to find a space more quickly."	8/14/2019 3:58 PM
161	I have never considered parking in downtown Benicia to be a problem other than when there is an event like a parade or farmers market. Benicia is a small town and somewhat difficult parking can be expected during large events.	8/14/2019 3:52 PM
162	No	8/14/2019 3:35 PM
163	Make the Marina Green parking lot bigger and paved.	8/14/2019 3:31 PM
164	It would be great if the old glass factory area could be turned into a 2nd (First Street). Then a shuttle going back and forth between First and "Seventh" street? Then there wouldn't be any problems parking at all.	8/14/2019 3:15 PM
165	The off street parking needs way more signage. People will go to those lots if they know they can easily find spots there instead of cruising up and down first. There needs to be a lot and top of first, middle and end	8/14/2019 3:05 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

166	In question #15, other - would like to see a trolley or a vintage carriage or some kind of shuttle from City Park to the Pier. Could not answer on "please specify" due to survey glitch.	8/14/2019 3:05 PM
167	No	8/14/2019 2:58 PM
168	No	8/14/2019 2:26 PM
169	Don't put meters in. Enforce all parking zones! Employees of businesses park off 1st St during daytime hours.	8/14/2019 2:25 PM
170	Read my comments in your main oage	8/14/2019 2:20 PM
171	No.	8/14/2019 2:13 PM
172	No	8/14/2019 2:08 PM
173	Parking is terrible during events. I have left and not gone to events due to parking.	8/14/2019 2:07 PM
174	Successful, thriving businesses impact parking. I've lived in Benicia long enough to always have convenient parking, however, I'd rather see the downtown thriving.	8/14/2019 2:04 PM
175	Need mire	8/14/2019 2:03 PM
176	If angled parking was implemented on First Street, there would be a lot more spaces!	8/14/2019 2:02 PM
177	The dirt lot has plenty of parking but we don't park there because of the gravel kicked up at parked cars by inconsiderate drivers. Pave it and mark it and it'll be used more.	8/14/2019 1:54 PM
178	The gravel parking lots should be paved. Particularly the one at the end of first street where it floods during the winter.	8/14/2019 1:25 PM
179	Do not add parking meters. Build a parking garage.	8/14/2019 1:23 PM
180	I live right off of first street and I do have assigned parking. I've noticed that cars park and then don't move for days or even weeks in front of where I live on W F street. For those type of cars, something needs to be done. There are times that my assigned spot is not available and I end up parking on W F and it can be painful and frustrating. Not enough spots for all the cars	8/14/2019 1:05 PM
181	Need more accessible parking. Especially foe handicapped people.	8/14/2019 12:58 PM
182	Nope	8/14/2019 12:49 PM
183	There needs to be more parking close to 1st Street when we have our events	8/14/2019 12:44 PM
184	My main reason to drive to DT Benicia is specifically walk and shop for locally for gift items. Parking becoming very hard to find d/t with increase of gyms, and restaurant parking. Please do not start charging we local people for parking close to D/T like Walnut Creek, Layfayette and other towns in close proximatey. I will discontinue shipping local businesses on First St. if I have to pay.	8/14/2019 12:37 PM
185	Parking lot somewhere! With a shuttle	8/14/2019 12:34 PM
186	Yes, your survey doesn't even take into account the needs of Senior Citizens and the disabled. Your survey was poorly written and weighted to get the answers that you wanted and not to truly assess the needs of the entire community. And I know, I analyze surveys, exams and polls most of my career for accuracy, validity and to insure one doesn't skew the questions just to get the answers you want but to get the actual truth.	8/14/2019 12:26 PM
187	I hope Benicia never does meters, I think it will really cut back on people who enjoy walking first street which in turn is great for business and our town!	8/14/2019 12:21 PM
188	The truck that parks beside Farm and Flour should move to other spaces. A limited parking space is not a place for an advertisement. We all know it's there. And by the way we all love the coffee but the truck is to much .	8/14/2019 12:14 PM
189	I think it's pretty good. I rarely have issues unless there is a special event. I have two small children and parking is important for me. I would hate to see parking meters go up. I also would hate to see permit parking only on side streets. Please don't do that. That's what makes parking easy is the accessibility to park on side streets and walk to first street. I think more emphasis on store owners and employees not parking on First street would be better and MAYBE time limits such as 2 hours (without meters!) to encourage more turn over for the spots directly on First street. Also not a fan of scooters. They just end up all over the place. Not a good mix with our uneven streets and sidewalks! I think paving the public parking lot and making it more accessible would solve a lot of the issues some folks are having. Thanks!	8/14/2019 12:10 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

190	Benicia PD need to patrol the area better and give out tickets to people that want to park in red zones where there are fire hydrants. Also they need to patrol downtown more due to cars getting vandalized downtown.	8/14/2019 12:02 PM
191	My car has been hit 4 times while parked on side streets while I'm at work. I feel due to lack of parking and people trying to squeeze in. I've been boxed in and unable to leave , again due to no parking. In addition, I feel if there were lines painted even on side streets would help the people who take up 2 spots when parking.	8/14/2019 11:57 AM
192	Parking is only an issue in Benicia during certain times. If I'm trying to get to a business during the farmer's market or if I want to go to Sailor Jacks when we have a fair at the end of First Street. Otherwise I visit different spots up and down first street and seldom have a problem except during an event.	8/14/2019 11:56 AM
193	look at parking issues at Safeway during downtown events	8/14/2019 11:48 AM
194	Do BOT want meters	8/14/2019 11:36 AM
195	Absolutely do not want Meters, Ugly, bad vibes and would take away the charm of Main Street	8/14/2019 11:30 AM
196	Speeding down 1st street is an issue.	8/14/2019 11:20 AM
197	Downtown parking "lots" would take the strain off downtown residents, some of whom do not have garages, alley accessor private off-street parking. Suggest converting to public parking: the lot next to Pacifica Pizza, the lot across from Lucca's on West E, the lot behind Double Rainbow, the lot between First St & East 2nd near the yacht club, more spaces near the marina. Limit to 2-3 hours on 1st blocks West & East of First Street and implement a parking sticker program for residents living in that corridor so they are allowed long-term parking in front of their homes. Enforce No-Cone placements on streets that some residents put in front of their homes to "reserve" a spot. That causes more parking congestion for residents who observe laws and do not place cones on the streets. Exception for the cones is given for work performed by construction, tree work, moving-in/out, plumbers etc. Provide safe & well-lit parking lots for restaurant employees who have to walk to their cars at night. Another congestion problem occurs when the funeral home has a service and the additional cars cause more strain on the downtown parking area there.	8/14/2019 11:15 AM
198	See previous response. Also, for big events (fireworks, peddlers fair, holiday tree lighting to name a few) it might be nice to have a shuttle service from perhaps a designated parking area (like the schools) which could shuttle attendees back and forth, thereby keeping parking congestion downtown to a minimum. Thank you for listening and appreciate your time on this important matter.	8/14/2019 11:03 AM
199	Metered parking would be a nice touch for the city to make extra money to help repair the crappy roads	8/14/2019 10:52 AM
200	I usually find decent parking. The only time I avoid downtown is during festivals or parades.	8/14/2019 10:23 AM
201	Don't make it expensive	8/14/2019 10:17 AM
202	Utilize the space opposite the Yacht Club better. It is ridiculous that it has never been paved. Pave and stripe it to maximize parking. Also, enforce the "No U turn" laws so it is safer for parking and walking. Stop signs at all intersections. Consider diagonal parking where there is room. Do not use cut-outs or "parklets" to remove existing parking.	8/14/2019 10:13 AM
203	It would be nice if the gravel parking lot at the marina green at the end of First and B streets was paved and striped	8/14/2019 10:05 AM
204	2nd and East E St gravel lot. It would be great to have this space concreted or asphalted. Also having another entrance to that parking area might be feasible.	8/14/2019 10:04 AM
205	more parking off first street. promote walking	8/14/2019 9:55 AM
206	The lot across from the yacht club is a great space, if it were properly maintained and had clear parking lines it would better accommodate the community	8/14/2019 9:49 AM
207	It's more of a hassle on parade and events day. We stopped attending most of the events because it takes 30-40 minutes to leave.	8/14/2019 9:36 AM
208	Need a parking lot	8/14/2019 9:34 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

209	My strong suggestion is to build a parking garage in the area near the end of First Street. The dirt lot where people already park for the Farmer's Market is the one I'm thinking of. Charge a small amount per hour (50 cents to \$1), problem solved! :)	8/14/2019 9:30 AM
210	No	8/14/2019 9:29 AM
211	parking is one thing most customers complain about, please don't take what little parking we have and make flex space out of it.	8/14/2019 8:59 AM
212	More handicapped parking each block. Green zones in front of restaurants for people just picking up food order...like Applebee's in Vallejo...like the new Bakery in Benicia. Consider diagonal parking. Get a shuttle running downtown Benicia & to Industrial park & Arsenal etc. - try on weekends when there's more people trying to find parking from out of town visitors. Pick-up for shuttle could be gravel parking lot.	8/14/2019 8:58 AM
213	Lived in town for 46 years. The current parking approach is fine. Is this a solution in search of a problem? When you go to towns like Lafayette and Yountville they are busy and hard to find parking and have crazy traffic. That's what you expect in a city with a vibrant downtown. The current parking situation in downtown Benicia is not an issue. I hope you are not looking to spend hard earned taxpayers dollars on creating a stylish solution and photo op for city leaders. And please stop allowing businesses to co-op 75% of the sidewalk. The expansion at the Loft is an eyesore and obstructs the walkway.	8/14/2019 8:56 AM
214	Spot across from the yacht club would be perfect for a parking lot.	8/14/2019 8:42 AM
215	East D street not that busy. could be converted to diagonal parking to increase available spaces	8/14/2019 8:32 AM
216	Convert the large gravel lot to permanent parking with more access.	8/14/2019 8:31 AM
217	It's next to impossible to see pedestrians when they cross the street. Lighted crosswalks would really help.	8/14/2019 8:14 AM
218	We need diagonal parking to fit more cars. We also need a multi-story parking garage on the City owned lot off 2nd st. More cars=more money=more city revenue=better city service =higher property values. We are a waterfront community in the Bay Area. Our home values are 1/2 of what they could be.	8/14/2019 8:09 AM
219	Spend money on repairing streets instead	8/14/2019 8:03 AM
220	There needs to be handicap parking. It's sad that in 2019 there is zero handicap spaces on first street. We've had to go home without stopping more than we've been able to enjoy the downtown because of that.	8/14/2019 7:56 AM
221	On a normal day, I think the parking is sufficient. It's when there are special events like the Peddler's Fair and Arts & Crafts Fair that it gets crazy. And even that would be OK, if people didn't park in private lots for businesses and current customers of the business on that specific day.	8/14/2019 7:55 AM
222	It would be nice to have some larger lot parking, particularly when there are events. It is a real plus that the City does not charge for parking.	8/14/2019 7:49 AM
223	Walking can be hazardous because the sidewalks are not well-maintained. If they were in better shape, I think more people would walk rather than drive between destinations.	8/14/2019 7:40 AM
224	When people park on residential streets to visit businesses downtown, they often ignore red curbs and leave their vehicles, often partially blocking driveways. It's very annoying for those of us who live off of First Street and I often call the police to report them. It has gotten very bad since One House Bakery opened for business.	8/14/2019 7:26 AM
225	No	8/14/2019 7:17 AM
226	I've always had success when parking downtown but i dont always visit during peak times.	8/14/2019 7:08 AM
227	People tend to park in private lots where they are not supposed to due to lack of parking elsewhere. However, there is poor enforcement of current parking laws.	8/14/2019 7:04 AM
228	No meters, no head in parking. Pave the dirt lot by the yacht club for over flow.	8/14/2019 7:03 AM
229	I absolutely love that there are no parking meters....	8/14/2019 6:52 AM
230	Very happy you are looking into this. Are there any alley's that can accommodate parking? Please don not get meters - we will lose the small town feel to our sweet village.	8/14/2019 6:47 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

231	Obviously (I think) parking is okay downtown most of the time. Big events are the difficult times, but that is a known consideration when attending	8/14/2019 6:28 AM
232	Handicap parkingclose access to dining areas	8/14/2019 6:15 AM
233	Parking has gotten worse for sure. Hopefully a good solution will come into play!	8/14/2019 6:11 AM
234	don't hinder the existing parking. if anything expand. take dirt lot on east side and build a parking garage and charge \$5 for the day. It will be used and pay for itself	8/14/2019 5:58 AM
235	Add diagonal parking on streets wide enough to accommodate it within a block of downtown.	8/14/2019 5:56 AM
236	Make a small parking garage near Pacifica pizza. That area is way too congested.	8/14/2019 5:55 AM
237	Please do not put in Parking meters!	8/14/2019 5:44 AM
238	More car access is needed, not less. Angled parking on First Street. Maximize the use of the gravel lot (improved entrances and exits, pave the lot, stripe for spaces). Building a Parking Garage on the site would be a great use of infrastructure funding (i.e. use existing taxes for its construction, not push for the passage of additional taxes).	8/14/2019 5:39 AM
239	Please consider turning the parking on East D Street, between First Street and the Yacht Club into diagonal parking. It is very congested and as the start of the Farmers Market, more parking in that area would be helpful.	8/14/2019 5:37 AM
240	Yes. Please convert the gravel lot at the end of East E street into a parking lot, put in an additional entrance/exit into the lot on East 2nd Street, and remove the fence barrier. This way, when First Street is closed for an event, parking will be available with access from all sides.	8/14/2019 5:30 AM
241	Please mark the parking spaces on West F Street (at the Chamber of Commerce building.	8/14/2019 5:26 AM
242	It's confusing to have every other intersection on First Street be four-way stops, with the rest two-way. They should ALL be four-way, to make driving down First Street more predictable, slow down speeders, and protect pedestrians.	8/14/2019 5:15 AM
243	Currently I think there are plenty of spaces to sit or enjoy the downtown. Time limit parking should be enforced and I personally would love to see angled parking along the street, but don't know if that is possible due to width.	8/14/2019 5:05 AM
244	It's great. Wish people learned how to park in one spot sometimes but great	8/14/2019 4:55 AM
245	Some business have a lot of employees and they park on first street, Blocking customers from parking near a business	8/14/2019 4:52 AM
246	Remove the curb and trees that were installed. Every one of those takes away a parking spot	8/14/2019 4:41 AM
247	The only time parking downtown is any sort of issue is during events, which is to be expected. I would not like to see any available parking converted to some other use. It would be nice if Bird or Lime scooters were available around downtown	8/14/2019 4:32 AM
248	Parking is almost always terrible because of other drivers. Walking is sometimes hazardous because of the poor quality of the street intersections, unmaintained sidewalks and restaurants who don't leave enough space for two people to pass by each other without one person having to wait or go into the curb.	8/14/2019 4:22 AM
249	Yep. I have a business that has a private lot and it's quite a challenge to keep people that aren't using the businesses out of her a lot and I know this is a concern of other private businesses that have their own private parking lots on first Street	8/14/2019 4:20 AM
250	There is plenty of parking if there were more colorful and clear signs directing people to the parking lot (never ever filled). There is so much traffic already with a non-through street. Adding more spaces would definitely take away from the small town feel - not to mention safety issues. The last parking study 10 years ago also said that we didn't need more parking but better signage. Keep this a walking town, not an automobile town.	8/14/2019 4:02 AM
251	need to put asphalt in big dirt lot on east 2nd, dirt lot sucks, maybe make it a pay lot, like a \$1 to cover maintenance cost. Fix that lot, too much dust is generated	8/14/2019 3:52 AM
252	Get the owners and employees off first Street. That's your problem. Saving the best spots for your customers that are shopping with you.	8/14/2019 3:40 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

253	Part of the concern with parking is that if I can't get a spot on the same side of the street as the business I'm visiting, I have to risk getting hit in the crosswalk. This is a daily struggle at First and D.	8/14/2019 3:35 AM
254	You can't put lipstick on a pig. Any time and money spent on this is a waste of city money. Fix a pothole. grind down more of our shitty sidewalks (UNSAFE)	8/14/2019 3:14 AM
255	I love DOWNTOWN BENICIA!	8/14/2019 2:48 AM
256	keep it free	8/14/2019 2:04 AM
257	I wish the parking spots were not as close to the crosswalks. It is hard to see when pedestrians enter the crosswalk on some of the streets with no stop signs on them (especially G and I streets)	8/14/2019 1:55 AM
258	Business owners should Not be allowed to park in front of their shops all day. Takes up a lot of spaces.	8/14/2019 1:52 AM
259	We have tried and discarded diagonal parking a number of times; don.t go there. Off-street parking structure, funded and maintained by the city might be the answer.	8/14/2019 1:38 AM
260	No	8/14/2019 1:28 AM
261	No	8/14/2019 1:23 AM
262	Pave the over flow lot make it more accessible and signed better or just put a parking structure	8/14/2019 1:10 AM
263	I live 1/2 block from downtown. Parking in front of my house is getting more and more difficult as more successful businesses open. Employees parking less than halfway down the block is a problem.	8/13/2019 3:34 PM
264	Due to the poor drivers that use First Street, it is some times faster to walk it. Maybe close 1st to car traffic.	8/13/2019 2:43 PM
265	Why not build a multi-level parking garage on the special event lot on East Second St.	8/13/2019 1:04 PM
266	I'd like to see the dirt parking lot off East 2nd converted into a hidden-multi-level parking structure.	8/13/2019 10:16 AM
267	Tell shop & business ess owners ; employees KT to park on First!!!annoying. C Can't correct Mt. That word is NOT	8/13/2019 9:32 AM
268	Not enough Handicap spaces convenient on First Street . Impossible to find near restaurants and businesses	8/13/2019 8:16 AM
269	Farm & Flour parks their truck 24/7 on the side of their business taking up parking. That shouldn't be allowed. Owners/employees of businesses should park on the side streets.	8/13/2019 6:40 AM
270	Currently there is a feed on next door here about an incident on a young 18 yr old working at Starbucks (her 2nd job) her car was towed at the Solano Square Mall Parking due to the Peddlers Faire, the matter of who pays is handled between Parent and Safeway Mgmt, but its still an issue where the City of Benicia, the Event Planner and Solano Square, its open dialogue, like putting in a process for employees if working an Event should be allowed a parking badge that the Employer provides. Due to City employees turnover maybe it was just missed, but for an 18 yr old coming out of her 2nd job that day and finding out her car was towed is devastating.	8/13/2019 4:17 AM
271	I think its good i like it the way it is however if i was to change i would make first st diagonal parking vs parallel	8/13/2019 3:24 AM
272	It would be wonderful if owners/employees would not park on First Street.	8/13/2019 1:55 AM
273	No	8/13/2019 1:09 AM
274	Enforce ban of marijuana smoking in public	8/12/2019 9:07 PM
275	Free charging stations. Parking at City Hall and paying \$3.50 an hour is not worth it to me. When shopping across the bay (again not often due to the bridge tax) I will head to locations with charging stations (Volta) I will drive to Fairfield before Concord for a mall, both because they offer free charging and the bridge tax (I can drive from here to Fairfield and back on less than 1 gallon of gas, cheaper than crossing the bridge) plus I prefer to keep my tax dollars in Solano	8/12/2019 12:53 PM
276	Are they going to do anything about all the dirt and dust that is coming off the downtown public parking? Disgusting it is	8/12/2019 12:38 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

277	The addition of "flex spots" would slow down traffic, especially if we planned First Street as one way with East 2nd being the way to exit. Ambiance would increase. (BTW, I'm not a restaurant owner). If these bulb outs (like Martinez) were put in place, the effect would be wonderful for Benicia. I do drive downtown as well as walk.	8/12/2019 10:35 AM
278	The dirt City owned parking lot on Second street is underutilized and a liability in its current state. Due to the topography one third of the parking lot is unusable. If the lot was graded, paved and had lines there would be a third more parking available. The antiquated City owned parking lot has also created a ongoing dust problem for surrounding residents, does not meet storm water run off regulations and is not ADA compliant. Improving this lot would seem to be an obvious solution to the parking situation and would mitigate the liability that the City of Benicia currently has.	8/12/2019 9:15 AM
279	The dust from the dirt lots causes a mess. We who live adjacent to it are unable to open windows. Our cars are a mess. Our carpets are a mess. Our homes are covered in dust from vehicles turning around and parking on the dirt.	8/12/2019 8:57 AM
280	When events are happening (I.E. Farmers Market) there is rarely an available wheelchair parking space. I don't need to be at the entrance per se, but more available spaces would be great.	8/12/2019 8:55 AM
281	The downtown dirt parking lot in direct violation of the city's code on parking lots. It is ruining the homes, cars and health of it's neighbors. The dust generated far exceeds the particulate fall out at Valero which our Mayor is in battle with. Difference is our's is daily with traffic in and out of the lot. The city will be notified of a law suit soon. Hopefully before this meeting.	8/12/2019 8:49 AM
282	More loading zones or quick drop zones. And paving public gravel lot with better public parking signs.	8/12/2019 8:43 AM
283	When I am going downtown for a long period of time, I find that I can usually get a parking spot where I normally park (near the Avant Garden), and I rarely have a problem doing so. If I need to be in and out of a place quickly, then it is a bit harder to find a spot. I usually have to park on the side streets, but I do not mind doing that at all. Overall I think that the parking in Benicia is great. Parklets would be a great idea, and a great way for businesses to use the space for extra tables for patrons/are for hanging out in. Martinez uses them very well in their downtown area and they add to the ambience of the town. I think that they would primarily work the best for resturants/coffee shops/bars, who would possibly get the amount of customers needed to have these parklets.	8/12/2019 8:04 AM
284	Their is a lot of people down by the pier (in the parking spaces) doing drugs. Maybe have more cops drive by more often. That would keep them out and free up more parking.	8/12/2019 7:58 AM
285	Please don't make us pay for parking. I love that we can park anywhere, most anytime for free. Otherwise, would shop at mall where it's free.	8/12/2019 7:42 AM
286	Many of the older, narrower streets (West I for example) are getting hard to drive due to cars parked on both sides of the street. It might be good to encourage parking in driveways, garages or only one side of the street.	8/12/2019 7:32 AM
287	more handicap	8/12/2019 7:18 AM
288	Please don't put in parking meters on First Street. I love that "A Day by the Bay" in Benicia doesn't cost to park or have time limits on parking. There is so much to do, see and eat, that I don't want time restraints.	8/12/2019 6:41 AM
289	Pave the gravel lots. Consider diagonal parking on one side	8/12/2019 6:26 AM
290	We need a way to make pedestrian crossings safer.	8/12/2019 6:18 AM
291	No	8/12/2019 6:15 AM
292	Would come more often if parking was better	8/12/2019 6:10 AM
293	B Street is used for parking. B St. is partially paved. Event parking is in the dirt and caused a tremendous amount is dust for those of us who live along B St. there are days the dust will choke you. Something needs to be done there.	8/12/2019 6:04 AM
294	Employees need places to park as well. They either take street space or are parking a fair distance from their employment. The current 2 hour time limit is not enforced, thank goodness, or we would all loose productivity	8/12/2019 6:03 AM
295	No electric scooters or bike. No bikes on sidewalks.	8/12/2019 6:02 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

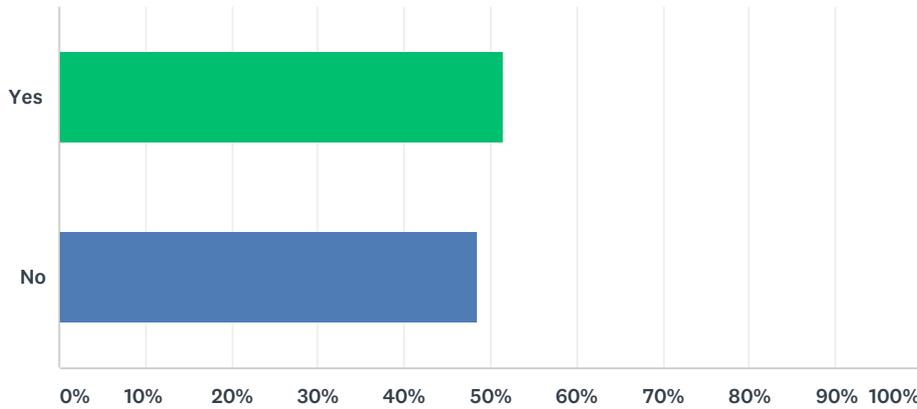
296	Retain free parking throughout Benicia. It is easy to locate a parking space within 3 or 4 blocks of your destination. An easy walk for healthy children, teens, adults / seniors. A three story parking structure near First Street (maybe parking above commercial) would be nice.	8/12/2019 5:59 AM
297	The only parking available during events like the Farmer's Market is the gravel lot across from the marina condo's. Paving these two lots and marking spaces would be wonderful for both Benicians and visitors.	8/12/2019 5:13 AM
298	I shop in communities that have better parking. Vallejo is ok, Concord is ok, Martinez is ok, Walnut Creek is not. The main reason I hesitate to go downtown is parking. The reason I don't go to the Thursday Night Farmers Market is lack of parking. I'm starting to go to restaurants in the Raleys Shopping Center because of parking.	8/12/2019 4:48 AM
299	There are some empty lots that can be turned into "lined" parking lots down by the green and by the marina, there's a dirt lot I think on 4th street by the condos at the Marina. Mostly parking is only a issue during downtown events.	8/12/2019 4:31 AM
300	nope	8/12/2019 4:28 AM
301	Communicate with biz owners/employees parking in front of business is not a good move.	8/12/2019 4:05 AM
302	I prefer not to be charged for parking (takes time, and makes you worried that it may run out of paid time and thereby gives you sense that visiting Benicia gives you a negative anxious feeling. Especially not good for tourists/visitors). I have been told that financially, it is more costly to hire a meter maid and someone walking around to collect money from the meters than not to have such employees. Make sure there is a solid cost analysis to support income rather than loss. Subcontracting parking enforcement on streets and potential structure often have negative implications. One of the sweet things about Benicia is that there is no parking charge.	8/12/2019 3:59 AM
303	need police to enforce the 3 hour parking. people park in the same spot all day. Far and flour has a truck parked in the same spot for over a year, they move it up or back a foot every couple days. Business people also park on first street all day.	8/12/2019 3:27 AM
304	Need a store like Trader Joes	8/12/2019 3:06 AM
305	Parking is fine. Sidewalk dining is fine. Not being able to walk on the sidewalk because of sidewalk dining is not fine	8/12/2019 3:04 AM
306	At times it may take a few minutes to find a parking space, but if you are willing to walk a few blocks it has never been a problem.	8/12/2019 2:54 AM
307	I would like to see the following improvements: 1. The sidewalks are terrible (uneven and unsightly) and need to be replaced. 2. I would love to see more art (sculptures) on Main Street like they have in Yountville. 3. Colorful banners.	8/12/2019 2:54 AM
308	Employers and employees parking on first street for their 8-10 hour shifts. No one tags for moving of these cars. Parking spaces are for customers, not workers.	8/12/2019 2:53 AM
309	On Peddler's Fair day, a few residents block off the parking spaces in front of their homes as if they own them. I even saw one sign saying they would tow anyone who parked there. This gives the town a very unwelcoming face on a day when we have thousands of people coming from all over to visit us. I would like to see the City of Benicia take steps to stop this from happening next year.	8/12/2019 2:46 AM
310	Flex space should NOT obstruct public sidewalk walking. Current restaurant tables already create occasional nuisance for walkers. A couple walking on First Street should NOT have to proceed single-file on the public sidewalk, or wait for oncoming walkers, or jump to avoid a restaurant employee rushing to serve patrons. Note that special consideration must also be made for wheelchair accessibility on public sidewalks.	8/12/2019 2:41 AM
311	I am a walker, not so much a driver. Commuting to my destination is great for me. Both drivers and walkers seem to be unaware of their surroundings when on 1st st.	8/12/2019 2:35 AM
312	We live within 1/2 mile of 1st Street, which was purposeful, so that we could walk downtown for all the many wonderful events. We walk nightly, enjoy the waterfront trail and would love to see that extended as well.	8/12/2019 2:35 AM
313	Paving of the gravel lot, striping and improved access to the lot at the end of East E street should be the first option considered to enhance parking. Also paving and striping of the gravel area in front of the green would increase capacity.	8/12/2019 2:33 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study

314	If you are thinking about metered parking, please think again. Also, I do not appreciate events like the Peddler's Fair which preempt the entire downtown and make it impossible for people to take care of regular business. I can live with the Farmer's Market which sections off a small part of the city but blocking from J Street to the Waterfront for what is essentially a private charitable event is unwarranted. Find another way or just get rid of it altogether.	8/12/2019 2:21 AM
315	If people parked between lines on sides streets - like the ones on First Street more people could find parking. I often see people parked so there is four or five feet between them and another car thus reducing available parking.	8/12/2019 2:14 AM
316	you can not forget street traffic along with parking due to our limited street access and traffic flow during special events on 1st st.	8/11/2019 10:25 AM
317	Pedestrian safety is crucial to a parking plan. As of now, people drive too fast and, with many of the corners blocked by parked cars, drivers cannot see pedestrians waiting to cross the street. I recommend that some strategic corners be equipped with electronic flashing devices like those installed at the corners of Military West and 2nd St.m, and E 2nd near McDonalds. Pedestrian Safety first and foremost!!!!	8/11/2019 9:56 AM
318	I really think it's fine right now. We live close to downtown and it's hard for us to find parking on the weekends sometimes but it's not that big of a deal. I only wish people would park closer to the curbs as it's difficult to drive down K street when people are (poorly) parked on both sides. Maybe make the little box pieces brighter/more noticeable?	8/10/2019 9:26 AM
319	The last parking survey showed plenty of parking of First Street using private lots but the private lots often are empty due to threats of towing. I would pay to park in one of these private lots to have convenient, safe parking.	8/6/2019 5:57 AM

Q1 Do you think parking is an issue in Downtown Benicia?

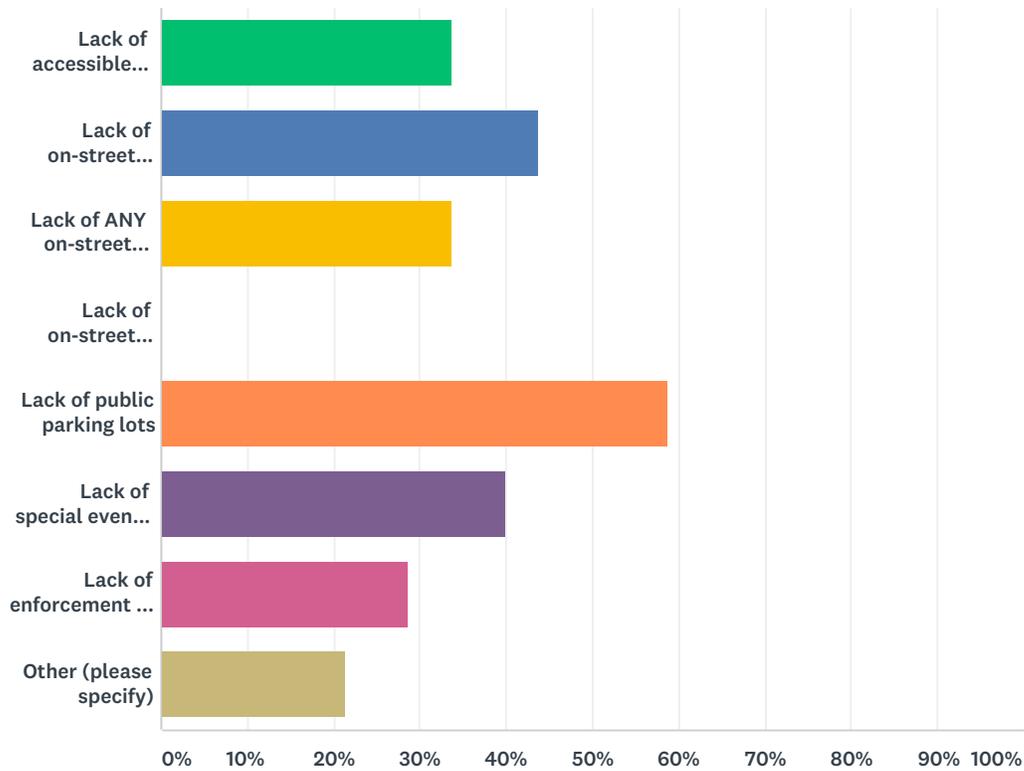
Answered: 167 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	51.50%	86
No	48.50%	81
TOTAL		167

Q2 Which of the following concerns do you have about parking in Downtown Benicia? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 80 Skipped: 87



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Lack of accessible parking for persons with disabilities	33.75% 27
Lack of on-street parking NEAR or AT my destination during peak hours (12pm to 2pm)	43.75% 35
Lack of ANY on-street parking during peak hours (12pm to 2pm)	33.75% 27
Lack of on-street parking near or at my destination during peak hours (12pm to 2pm)	0.00% 0
Lack of public parking lots	58.75% 47
Lack of special event parking	40.00% 32
Lack of enforcement of existing parking regulations	28.75% 23
Other (please specify)	21.25% 17
Total Respondents: 80	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Traffic congestion on East 2nd, Military and First Streets	9/22/2019 8:47 PM
2	It's not just 12-2 that there is a problem! Try parking around 6:00 pm.	9/18/2019 5:48 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

3	Patrons and customers of businesses are parking in front of residents houses, making it difficult for residents to access their own houses. Some downtown residents have no garages or driveways and only have the street on which to park. Downtown visitors also parking blocking residents driveways during festivals and park at "no parking" signs downtown on narrow streets, causing safety issues.	9/18/2019 3:51 PM
4	East N Street proposed parking	9/16/2019 7:47 PM
5	Lack of painted lines. East AND West F street hasn't been painted in years. So now people are parking however they want since the lines are unmarked and no longer visible.	9/16/2019 12:27 PM
6	Parking Garage needed at E 2nd and at end of East E Street like Concord's 3 story Todos Santos Parking Center with a shop or 2 on 1st floor	9/16/2019 11:58 AM
7	More green parking at Every corner, not just the occasional as it is now	9/16/2019 9:36 AM
8	excessive dust from unpaved lot between 1st and 2nd at E	9/16/2019 8:25 AM
9	Fish bone parking pattern on west H st. With trucks parking there and frequently they do the road becomes only wide enough for one car.	9/9/2019 3:35 PM
10	Lack of parking from 5:00 to 6:30.	9/9/2019 1:36 PM
11	As a resident of downtown Benicia, parking near my condo a huge problem...not only in finding a space for me to park, but people who are not residents parking and leaving their vehicles for a length of time.	9/9/2019 11:57 AM
12	East N St overcrowded with cars	9/9/2019 10:45 AM
13	Downtown public parking lots are not a legal lot. Violates city codes and federal ADA laws.	9/9/2019 9:11 AM
14	Condition of streets	9/8/2019 11:36 PM
15	People parking badly, ex: taking 2 spots, would be nice to have lines on side streets	9/8/2019 11:19 PM
16	Residents aren't allowed parking for more than three hours	9/8/2019 5:25 PM
17	are people leaving their cars there all day?	9/8/2019 10:50 AM

Q3 Why do you believe parking in Downtown Benicia is not an issue? What existing features making parking easy and convenient to find?

Answered: 76 Skipped: 91

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	There is a ton of free parking and a free overflow lot. I love being able to drive downtown and not have to pay to park in order to enjoy the town I love	10/12/2019 7:11 AM
2	It is an issue for some people and it is not an issue for others. It is an "issues" for downtown residents when visitors park taking up all the spaces on their streets or block their driveways.	9/18/2019 3:52 PM
3	The lines on the sides of the parking spaces? It's not that complicated. You go to the street and look for a spot and if you can't find one then go to a nearby lot.	9/18/2019 3:46 PM
4	I tend to park on the side streets or down by the green/pier, which makes it easier to find parking. It is very rare that I actually park on First Street, due to the fact that I don't particularly enjoy parallel parking, and it is less of a hassle. I understand where people are coming from when they think that there isn't a lot of parking, but I feel like they just want to complaint about something and not take the time to look for side street parking. I think that there is enough parking on the side streets, though many of the parking lines on the streets have worn away, so it is not easy to tell where the spots are. Some of the side streets are also really bumpy and uneven, but that is another issue altogether.	9/18/2019 2:51 PM
5	Enough parking spaces	9/17/2019 10:48 AM
6	Usually I can find parking within 1-2 blocks of where I want to go. The only time parking has been an issue is with holidays/ events. The town could do a better job having alternative parking (is at the HS or middle school) and bus running for big events.	9/16/2019 6:48 PM
7	Because the issue is the side streets everybody that goes downtown parks on the side streets, I have a disabled father that I have to take to the doctor all the time and never could park in front of my his house, The business people park on our street and so do customers park on our street the whole street is full of cars every single day , I suggest people that work at businesses have a business pass and people that live on the streets should have a street pass , that they don't have to pay for , and if you don't have a pass you get charged Bottom line	9/16/2019 6:25 PM
8	I can usually find parking within a few blocks of where I am going. The exception are special events on 1st Street, and the Farmer's Market, and those are easy to understand that parking might require a longer walk.	9/16/2019 4:45 PM
9	pretty much easy to find, unless you don't want to walk and want a parking spot right in front of the business.	9/16/2019 3:42 PM
10	The lines painted on First have helped guild people nicely.	9/16/2019 12:28 PM
11	If First Street parking is not available, there are plenty of parking lots and side streets	9/16/2019 10:10 AM
12	Public parking is available downtown.	9/16/2019 9:02 AM
13	not sure about existing features but i dont have trouble finding a parking space downtown	9/16/2019 8:54 AM
14	huh?	9/16/2019 8:26 AM
15	Have always been able to find place within 1 block of destination. Typically park downtown weekly. Do use lot on East E st	9/16/2019 8:24 AM
16	It's only difficult when events are going on. B street can be tight as the restaurants are down there	9/16/2019 7:30 AM
17	Only seems to be an issue at certain times (special events, popular weekends, etc). For most of the time there is adequate parking along First Street, side streets, the waterfront lot and the lot of First St	9/16/2019 7:05 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

18	When you drive down First Street, say at the dinner hour, there are plenty of spots located toward to top of the street (near Military) where businesses that are typically open 8-5 pm are now closed, thus opening up spots on First Street. The walk to the restaurants located in the lower part of First Street is not a difficult one and is actually enjoyable as it takes you by many of the businesses along the way. There are also parking spots available on every side street feeding onto First Street.	9/16/2019 6:36 AM
19	Street parking seemed great along first steet and the cross streets	9/16/2019 6:34 AM
20	All of them, there is no issues.	9/16/2019 5:49 AM
21	I have owned a business 30+ years and now live as well on first st. And parking is fine, people are spoiled!! Maybe you park a block away, walking is good for majority if not make handicap first spot on F,G etc. i was caregiving for my parents and handicapped parking is perfect right off first, less stressful for EVERYONE. If on first its a dread,panic getting in and out especially w wheelchair or even walker	9/16/2019 5:25 AM
22	I can always get a parking spot, I just may have to walk a bit	9/16/2019 5:15 AM
23	I've never seen or heard any evidence that it is an issue.	9/15/2019 11:47 PM
24	You can always find parking on side streets. We don't need easy parking, we need safe parking. I'm in the insurance business and Diagonal parking causes the most accidents because people don't know how to drive especially when backing out of a parking space! Keep the parallel parking as is it's the safest.	9/15/2019 10:50 PM
25	Parking spaces are available but may not be close on 1st street but are easily walkable distance.	9/15/2019 10:35 PM
26	On the rare occasion that I can't find a space on first street, right by the business I wish to visit, I almost always find one on a nearby side street. It really is not a big deal to have to walk a block or two. Sure beats dealing with parking meters or timed parking	9/15/2019 10:17 PM
27	The only time there is an issue is when there are large events going on dos town. Like Peddlers Fair, Christmas Tree Lighting etc...	9/15/2019 10:07 PM
28	There's always parking and I frequent 1st street in my car at least three times a week. For annual events it's difficult but that is expected	9/15/2019 1:01 PM
29	Plenty of side streets that offer parking in a walkable distance and safe neighborhood	9/15/2019 12:31 PM
30	It's a small downtown. I believe many people have a reasonable expectation of wanting to park right in front of a specific business. People should be comfortable walking a few blocks to their destination. Exception would be handicapped parking.	9/15/2019 9:24 AM
31	There's plenty of parking on the side streets adjacent to First St. People just need to walk a little bit farther out.	9/15/2019 9:14 AM
32	I come to the downtown area frequently and never have a problem finding parking. Not having to worry about a meter is an advantage to shopping in Benicia.	9/15/2019 8:36 AM
33	There is plenty of parking. But more disabled parking spots should be considered. It would be helpful to incorporate those into curbside spots, not just on side streets.	9/14/2019 5:09 PM
34	When I go downtown it's usually during the week and parking is not a problem. I do know that parking when there are events downtown sometimes creates an issue. I like that there's free parking that's not available in many cities.	9/11/2019 11:35 AM
35	Always find a spot	9/11/2019 11:08 AM
36	The only time parking is an issue is when there is a major event and parking is taken away (street closure due to farmers market, etc.). There us plenty of parking usually within five or six blocks.	9/11/2019 5:29 AM
37	I can usually find a place down a side street	9/10/2019 10:07 PM
38	JUST PLEASE LEAVE IT ALONE	9/10/2019 8:10 AM
39	Because I can always find a parking spot. As for your second question, parking spots & no meters.	9/10/2019 12:11 AM
40	No meters makes it easier. Parking on side streets available during day	9/9/2019 11:28 PM
41	No parking meters. Parking spaces available within easy walking distance. No concentration of businesses in one small area.	9/9/2019 8:45 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

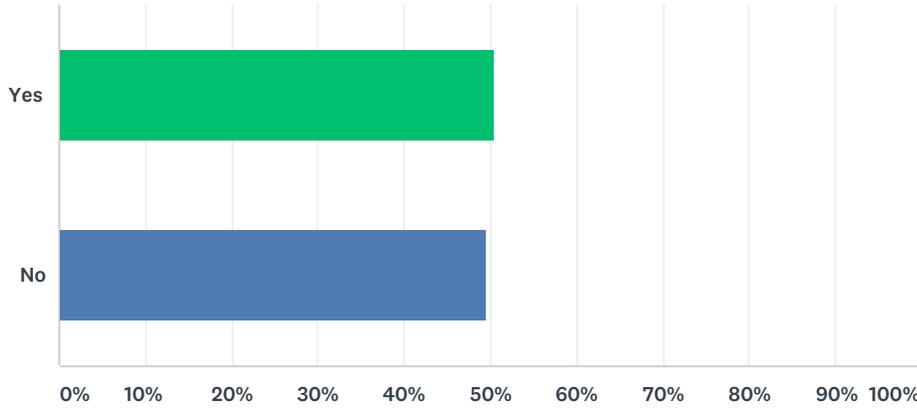
42	Except for when there are major events, we can always find parking relatively close to our destination.	9/9/2019 6:08 PM
43	There appears to be adequate turnover of parking spots. We go downtown for lunch or early dinner at least once per month and have always found a place to park.	9/9/2019 5:41 PM
44	I always find a spot	9/9/2019 3:51 PM
45	We are a small community and like it that way. I have NEVER had a parking issue downtown and I'm a third generation Benicia. What is an issue in Benicia are our streets!!!!	9/9/2019 3:40 PM
46	I walk downtown	9/9/2019 3:36 PM
47	I can always find something within 2 blocks.	9/9/2019 2:11 PM
48	Lots of side street parking, while I may not be able to park RIGHT in front of the business I am visiting, I usually find a spot quite near.	9/9/2019 2:07 PM
49	I often park downtown and have never had a problem.	9/9/2019 1:51 PM
50	I can usually find a place to park within a block from my destination, which I'm ok with.	9/9/2019 1:09 PM
51	I can usually find a spot. I have no disabilities so walking isn't an issue.	9/9/2019 12:09 PM
52	People sometimes have to walk a bit farther. Less restrictions on parking. Give better signs on public parking that is avail.	9/9/2019 10:57 AM
53	East N St cannot handle the amount of vehicles parked all day there	9/9/2019 10:46 AM
54	There always seems to be parking available.	9/9/2019 6:37 AM
55	Except for street fairs and Farmers market I have no issues with parking	9/9/2019 5:30 AM
56	For the most part I find parking to be available when I need it. Obviously I walk further when it's farmers market. The only time I was truly disadvantaged was when I had a handicap placard. I was unable to attend a couple events because there was only one parking spot for handicap in front of Kinders at the time and it was full because of farmers. I could find no parking within six blocks of where I needed to go and I was physically unable to travel that distance so I had to go home	9/8/2019 10:56 PM
57	I'm always able to find parking easily whenever I go downtown	9/8/2019 7:14 PM
58	Free. Generally available & convenient except during really big events.	9/8/2019 5:59 PM
59	There is always a place	9/8/2019 4:53 PM
60	Most of the time I can find parking within a block of my destination. I appreciate very much that it is free. Peak hours can be more crowded; so what?	9/8/2019 3:03 PM
61	Compared to walnut creek, Berkeley or SF, it is not a problem	9/8/2019 1:34 PM
62	The only time parking is an issue is on Farmers Market day, which still isn't a problem.	9/8/2019 1:19 PM
63	Plenty of parking for normal everyday visits downtown. Just need to be willing to walk a few blocks!	9/8/2019 12:33 PM
64	I can always find a place to park	9/8/2019 12:16 PM
65	Only during special events is it difficult to park	9/8/2019 11:37 AM
66	There is enough parking spaces in downtown and in the streets nearby	9/8/2019 11:32 AM
67	There are many spaces and no fees for parking.	9/8/2019 11:31 AM
68	Easy to find spots	9/8/2019 11:25 AM
69	The only time I feel like it's an issue is on event days/evenings. Otherwise it's not hard to find a spot. I think north first st can be a little congested with one house at lunch and opening the parking lot to the public where Pacifica drivers park would be nice.	9/8/2019 11:09 AM
70	When I go which almost everyday around noon, it isn't an issue to find one on the side streets.	9/8/2019 10:59 AM
71	there are plenty of spots to park at. I have lived in Benicia over 30 years and have never had an issue.	9/8/2019 10:56 AM
72	I have never not been able to find a place to park. Side streets are very convenient.	9/8/2019 10:52 AM
73	There's A ton of spaces already available plus that huge gravel parking lot by the first street cafe	9/8/2019 10:47 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

74	No trouble finding street parking unless there is an event going on	9/8/2019 10:42 AM
75	The only time it is an issue is during lunch time hours.	9/8/2019 10:40 AM
76	I always find a spot	9/8/2019 10:38 AM

Q4 Do you park in the lot at East E and East 2nd Street?

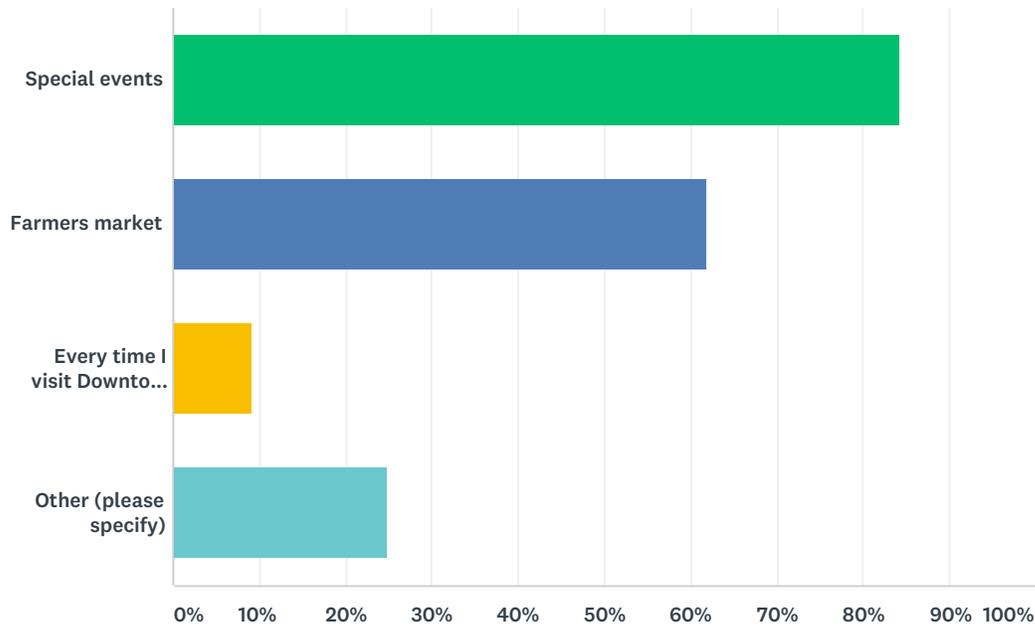
Answered: 153 Skipped: 14



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	50.33%	77
No	49.67%	76
TOTAL		153

Q5 When do you park in the lot at East E and East Second Streets? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 76 Skipped: 91



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Special events	84.21%	64
Farmers market	61.84%	47
Every time I visit Downtown Benicia	9.21%	7
Other (please specify)	25.00%	19
Total Respondents: 76		

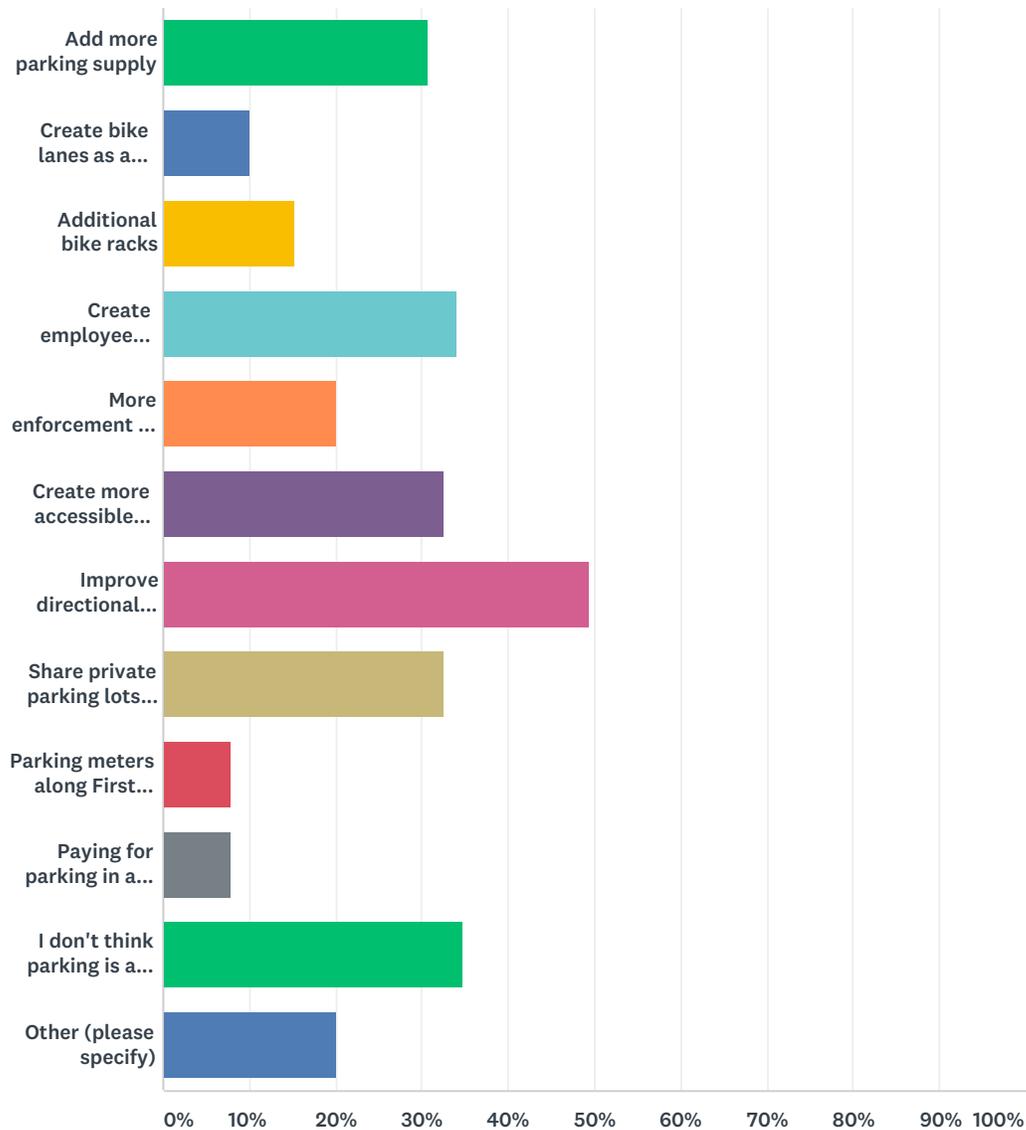
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I don't like using the lot at East E & East 2nd. The gravel is hard to walk on. The lot does not have marked parking spaces. Although I'm not disabled, there are no places in the lot for people who are mobility-disabled to park.	9/21/2019 2:12 PM
2	If I cannot find a space on First St., when it is raining, if I have a lot of purchased items to carry.	9/18/2019 4:01 PM
3	Occasionally when going to restaurants/Bella Sienna	9/16/2019 6:51 PM
4	Only when at luccas	9/16/2019 9:40 AM
5	When nearby First St spaces are not available	9/16/2019 8:27 AM
6	When I can't find parking on First	9/16/2019 7:29 AM
7	Are you referring to the gravel lot? If so, I do not park there but I do park in the parking lot next to the Marina Yacht Club all the time and walk to the First Street.	9/16/2019 6:45 AM
8	when i'm at that end of downtown	9/15/2019 11:46 PM
9	If there is no side street parking.	9/15/2019 10:56 PM
10	When it is the only option	9/15/2019 9:28 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

11	If it's crowded.	9/11/2019 5:34 AM
12	When visiting nearby restaurants	9/10/2019 12:15 AM
13	When no other spaces free on streets	9/9/2019 8:48 PM
14	If I need to	9/9/2019 3:43 PM
15	When I can't find street parking.	9/9/2019 1:39 PM
16	When I can't find parking elsewhere	9/8/2019 3:30 PM
17	Eating at local restaurants. That lot was meant to be public parking many years ago.	9/8/2019 1:38 PM
18	Nearby restaurant visits	9/8/2019 12:30 PM
19	When there is no street parking available for businesses	9/8/2019 10:41 AM

Q6 Which of the following parking solutions would you be willing to consider supporting? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 150 Skipped: 17



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Add more parking supply	30.67%	46
Create bike lanes as a driving alternative	10.00%	15
Additional bike racks	15.33%	23
Create employee parking areas	34.00%	51
More enforcement of parking regulations	20.00%	30
Create more accessible parking for persons with disabilities	32.67%	49
Improve directional signage to available public parking	49.33%	74

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

Share private parking lots with the public	32.67%	49
Parking meters along First Street	8.00%	12
Paying for parking in a convenient parking lot	8.00%	12
I don't think parking is an issue in Downtown Benicia	34.67%	52
Other (please specify)	20.00%	30
Total Respondents: 150		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Change parallel parking to diagonal parking to increase the number of spaces. Create a marketing campaign to stop employees from parking directly in front of businesses.	9/18/2019 5:52 PM
2	Create and enforce more time-limited parking on First Street, ask businesses to provide directions to parking on the E Street lot on their webpages. Don't develop the City lot on E Street into a hotel which would remove that public parking. Ask businesses with private parking lots on First St. to allow public parking after 6:00 or on weekends if those businesses were closed on weekends.	9/18/2019 4:01 PM
3	Parking passes free for businesses and homeowners on sidestreets	9/16/2019 6:29 PM
4	Park Horizontally instead of parallel parking	9/16/2019 2:48 PM
5	Maintaining the side streets off of first would improve traffic and parking issues for all	9/16/2019 12:32 PM
6	Owners and employees in off street areas	9/16/2019 9:40 AM
7	Pave the lot at East E	9/16/2019 8:27 AM
8	Retain lot at East E and E 2nd St	9/16/2019 8:27 AM
9	Parking is not an issue now but should prepare for the future	9/16/2019 7:33 AM
10	Angled parking on alternate blocks; angled parking down the center of 1st Street	9/16/2019 5:37 AM
11	Make diagonal parking or test it on some blocks if goes well (which) I believe it will)	9/16/2019 5:37 AM
12	Bicycles are going to become more prevalent. Make racks so that people can use U-locks.	9/15/2019 11:51 PM
13	I won't pay for parking in downtown Benicia I'd rather drive to Vallejo and do my business there	9/15/2019 10:56 PM
14	Enough with promoting biking, it's not going to happen in Benicia (the hills and weather). Don't waste money on this, pave the damn roads!	9/11/2019 5:34 AM
15	Where are tenants and employees of First St. shops and rentals supposed to park?	9/9/2019 11:46 PM
16	I think we've had some issues with pedestrians, bikes and cars. I'd like to see a more pedestrian friendly downtown. I think by getting the bulk of the parking into a public paved lot would help, also slow down the cars with pedestrian crossing, and for my pie-in-the-sky wish, fix and widen the side walks...and I'm still waiting for my road to be fixed. We love Benicia!	9/9/2019 4:08 PM
17	Why not try parking perpendicular to the curb or diagonal it would make many more spots	9/9/2019 3:53 PM
18	Don't do fish bone parking pattern to increase capacity	9/9/2019 3:39 PM
19	Business owners and employees should not park in front of their businesses! Consider diagonal parking.	9/9/2019 12:53 PM
20	There is a public lot on 2nd street which should be used for ALL downtown parking. The gravel lot in front of Benicia Green should be limited to 3 hour parking only...same with East B street. Issue resident stickers for our cars	9/9/2019 12:01 PM
21	Pave city dirt parking areas.	9/9/2019 11:00 AM
22	East N st is overcrowded	9/9/2019 10:47 AM
23	All downtown parking lots are in violation of city codes and federal ADA laws.	9/9/2019 9:15 AM
24	Sometimes one of the areas in the public parking lot (off First Street) is blocked off and can't be used. Why is this happening?	9/9/2019 9:12 AM
25	I think the lots should be paved, not gravel.	9/8/2019 7:40 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

26	Do not put in parking meters downtown!!	9/8/2019 7:16 PM
27	No paying	9/8/2019 3:06 PM
28	Employers and employees should not park on First Street	9/8/2019 1:38 PM
29	Pave the rock parking lot	9/8/2019 12:30 PM
30	public parking lot in convenient location	9/8/2019 10:53 AM

Q7 If you think lack of accessible parking for persons with disabilities is an issue, where specifically should the City consider adding more disabled parking?

Answered: 98 Skipped: 69

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I don't have familiarity with this need	10/12/2019 7:13 AM
2	N/A	9/23/2019 11:43 PM
3	Pave over the gravel lots (East B & 1st, East E & East 2nd) and add disabled parking spots. Also add at least 1 disabled parking spot per block on 1st per block on both sides of the street. And add at least 1 disabled parking spot with in the first block of each side street, both east and west of 1st street.	9/21/2019 2:12 PM
4	N.A.	9/18/2019 4:01 PM
5	None	9/17/2019 10:50 AM
6	Every business should have their own handicapped parking spots. Not the issue here, but sidewalks and some businesses are also not handicapped accessible.	9/17/2019 7:59 AM
7	Lots near 1st and 2nd	9/17/2019 6:51 AM
8	I have friends who are disabled and live downtown. Their homes are older historic actually and they don't have garages and driveways. They frequently are unable to park in front of their own home. It would be nice to provide those who are disabled with a disabled parking strip in front of their home, if they don't have a garage or driveway available.	9/16/2019 7:47 PM
9	Unsure	9/16/2019 6:51 PM
10	At the end of each curb Street	9/16/2019 6:29 PM
11	Change to diagonal parking and add 1 space designated handicapped on each block	9/16/2019 6:17 PM
12	Each block	9/16/2019 5:42 PM
13	The waterfront, and there should be one additional designated spot on or just off 1st Street every other block. I'm not disabled now, but I was for a while earlier this year and had a temporary permit, so I've had some experience.	9/16/2019 4:52 PM
14	I don't know about that issue	9/16/2019 4:12 PM
15	NO	9/16/2019 3:44 PM
16	Not an issue - Too many people take advantage of special parking when not needed.	9/16/2019 12:04 PM
17	There should be a disabled spot on every block downtown.	9/16/2019 11:31 AM
18	None	9/16/2019 9:40 AM
19	At least one space on each side of the street on every block.	9/16/2019 9:34 AM
20	On First St. near common retail shops.	9/16/2019 9:23 AM
21	Library	9/16/2019 9:10 AM
22	when i was on crutches with a broken foot i did not have any trouble finding a parking space close to front doors	9/16/2019 8:57 AM
23	a PAVED lot at East E	9/16/2019 8:27 AM
24	No	9/16/2019 8:27 AM
25	to be honest I haven't seen many places so anywhere it would be good.	9/16/2019 7:33 AM
26	Near shops	9/16/2019 7:29 AM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

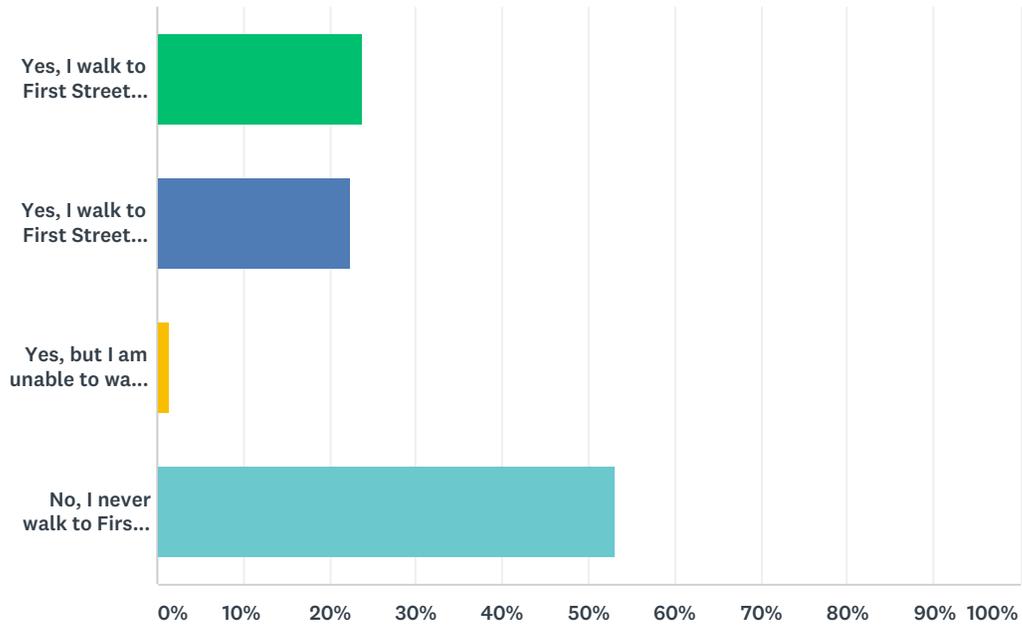
27	N/A	9/16/2019 6:35 AM
28	I don't.	9/16/2019 5:50 AM
29	End space on each block - near corners	9/16/2019 5:37 AM
30	Oh yes i know as i cared for borh my parents make the first spot right off first street (like state capital) easy pull in, no stress to open truck to get walker, wheelchair and everyone happy. If on first people get frustrated with me, honk cuss its awful. Never had that at capital my go to handicap spot!!!! Plus the handicap doesn't feel pushed, rushed. Please dont put on first only makes for added press!!!!!!	9/16/2019 5:37 AM
31	On every street, the city population is getting older	9/16/2019 5:16 AM
32	Along first street. In front of restaurants.	9/16/2019 3:27 AM
33	I don't know	9/15/2019 11:51 PM
34	Na	9/15/2019 10:56 PM
35	No	9/15/2019 10:45 PM
36	Not an issue	9/15/2019 10:38 PM
37	Add a few handicapped parking spaces on first st.	9/15/2019 10:20 PM
38	K	9/15/2019 1:02 PM
39	In front of the city hall	9/15/2019 12:37 PM
40	On Main Street, near Lucca as that area's disabled spots are always taken	9/15/2019 10:22 AM
41	Unsure. It was just a suggestion that those with disabilities should have more accessibility to parking.	9/15/2019 9:28 AM
42	In front of the tannery, near the library, near the Capital	9/15/2019 8:38 AM
43	Especially toward the end of First Street, since Bella Sienna patrons are now monopolizing those spots on weekends. My daughter uses a wheelchair and her dad likes to bring her down in the ramp van on Saturday evenings. They used to park in a disabled spot near B Street. Now, those spots are always taken.	9/14/2019 5:14 PM
44	All over First Street being FULLY compliant with the ADA laws and rules.	9/13/2019 7:55 PM
45	Either on 1st Street or on the side streets close to 1st Street.	9/12/2019 8:59 PM
46	I don't know about this issue	9/11/2019 11:39 AM
47	Not and issue.	9/11/2019 5:34 AM
48	there are very few handicapped parking places on the West side of First St. From approximately Vincentios all the way down to the Marina....which is wher a large percentage of eating places are located.	9/10/2019 10:13 PM
49	First St, maybe by the park	9/10/2019 2:45 PM
50	NONE	9/10/2019 8:11 AM
51	Not really an issue but if you're going to add it - near St.Paul's.	9/10/2019 12:15 AM
52	?	9/9/2019 11:46 PM
53	NA	9/9/2019 8:48 PM
54	A space on every block	9/9/2019 8:03 PM
55	Not sure	9/9/2019 4:19 PM
56	yes	9/9/2019 4:08 PM
57	A spot on every other block.	9/9/2019 3:43 PM
58	Have a space on each of the side streets closet to 1st street. (At the top of the corner) Like the one by Classic Cuts and the Glass Art store.	9/9/2019 2:30 PM
59	N/A	9/9/2019 2:08 PM
60	Simply add a few more parking spaces for the disabled (No meters anywhere in Benicia ever!)	9/9/2019 1:56 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

61	On both sides of First Street	9/9/2019 1:39 PM
62	Within every block downtown.	9/9/2019 1:11 PM
63	On First Street where shops and restaurants are.	9/9/2019 12:57 PM
64	I don't have knowledge	9/9/2019 12:53 PM
65	?	9/9/2019 12:11 PM
66	On each of the side street corners of downtown. One space per block of downtown.	9/9/2019 11:50 AM
67	In front of green.	9/9/2019 11:00 AM
68	No	9/9/2019 10:47 AM
69	Each intersection add one more disabled parking space	9/9/2019 9:20 AM
70	Downtown Parking lots have no accessible parking and is illegal. Also in violation of city codes. Detrimental to its neighbors.	9/9/2019 9:15 AM
71	Further down the street...maybe the area by Christina S buildings	9/9/2019 9:12 AM
72	Not knowledgeable	9/9/2019 6:41 AM
73	Near the park and Veteran's hall would be an appropriate placement. Also, close to the Benicia Green's would be nice to accomodate the Farmer's Market and special events.	9/9/2019 2:20 AM
74	There should be something near farmers market.	9/8/2019 10:57 PM
75	Not an issue	9/8/2019 7:40 PM
76	No	9/8/2019 7:16 PM
77	Not an issue. Every space is "accessible" technically. They aren't boxed in.	9/8/2019 5:30 PM
78	At least 2 one on @side of street on every block.	9/8/2019 3:51 PM
79	I don't know, but accessibility is important.	9/8/2019 3:06 PM
80	Each block	9/8/2019 2:31 PM
81	There should be designated "true" disability parking downtown, but it should be limited to a license plate with a disability logo on it. No window placards as they are abused.	9/8/2019 1:42 PM
82	just add more	9/8/2019 1:21 PM
83	Not sure.	9/8/2019 12:24 PM
84	Yes	9/8/2019 12:19 PM
85	Not sure	9/8/2019 11:39 AM
86	N/a	9/8/2019 11:36 AM
87	Not an issue.	9/8/2019 11:32 AM
88	On side streets	9/8/2019 11:32 AM
89	lon first	9/8/2019 11:27 AM
90	I don't know	9/8/2019 11:02 AM
91	I don't see it as an issue, and I have had to use temporary disability plaques.	9/8/2019 10:56 AM
92	close to stores	9/8/2019 10:53 AM
93	1 spot for every other or every second corner Maybe add 8 spots total	9/8/2019 10:51 AM
94	By the businesses	9/8/2019 10:48 AM
95	Benicia Green parking lot	9/8/2019 10:44 AM
96	One on each street!	9/8/2019 10:43 AM
97	N/a	9/8/2019 10:42 AM
98	N/A	9/8/2019 10:39 AM

Q8 Do you live within walking distance of First Street?

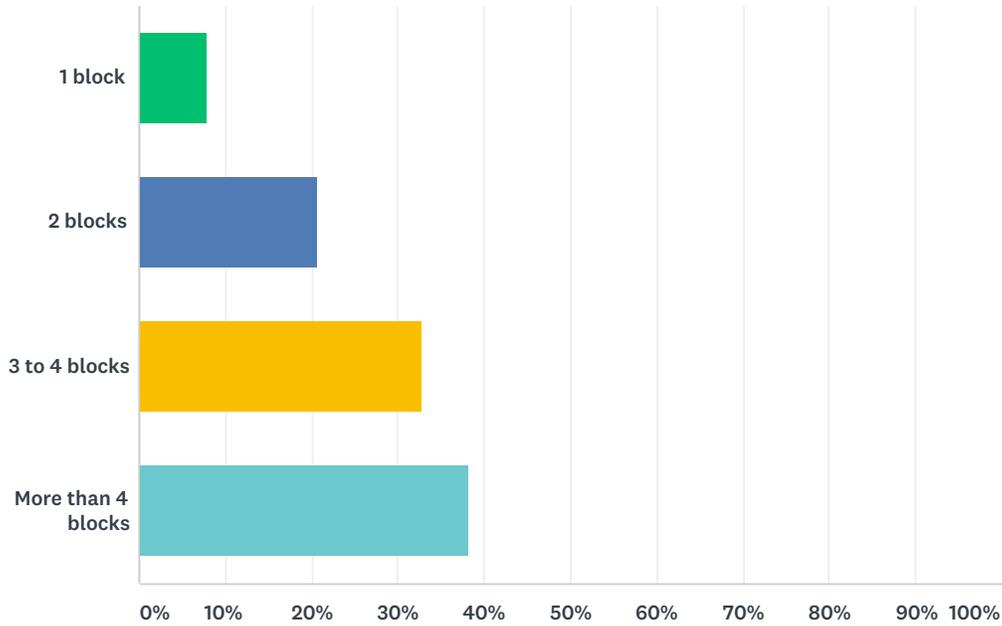
Answered: 147 Skipped: 20



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, I walk to First Street often	23.81%	35
Yes, I walk to First Street occasionally	22.45%	33
Yes, but I am unable to walk to First Street	1.36%	2
No, I never walk to First Street	53.06%	78
Total Respondents: 147		

Q9 How far in city blocks do you typically (or would you be willing to) walk to your destination?

Answered: 149 Skipped: 18



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1 block	8.05%	12
2 blocks	20.81%	31
3 to 4 blocks	32.89%	49
More than 4 blocks	38.26%	57
TOTAL		149

Q10 Anything else we should know about parking in Downtown Benicia?

Answered: 86 Skipped: 81

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Please don't start charging for parking :(10/12/2019 7:13 AM
2	Parking on Thursdays is a problem due to the Farmer's Market.	9/23/2019 11:43 PM
3	What mainly makes parking difficult downtown is the traffic- making it difficult to park while cars passing by constantly. I think there is enough parking per se, but the number of cars driving on the main streets makes parking difficult to accomplish.	9/22/2019 8:51 PM
4	Consider angled parking.	9/21/2019 2:12 PM
5	If you push parking off First Street by either visitors or employees, you will force those cars into the residential downtown district, taking up the parking that residents need. Remember, not all residential buildings downtown have garages or even driveways. If the parking becomes too difficult for residents, you will need to create resident parking by permit only areas, like Berkeley has. Why not direct visitors to park in the City Hall parking lot on weekends?	9/18/2019 4:01 PM
6	Overall, I think that the parking situation is great downtown. I work in Martinez, and they have far worse parking issues, so it is nice to be able to come to my hometown and be able to park where I want to. I want to address the parking lot on East 2nd and E. I think that that lot COULD be a great option for people to park in, however there are some things that should be addressed before that can happen. First, the parking lot should be paved. Second, the lack of clear parking lines is a detriment to all that use it. I have almost got into a couple of accidents because people can't navigate the lot correctly. The entrance and exits need to be improved, and I think that the two lots that are located there should be combined into one lot. I think that if these issues are addressed, the parking lot would become a better area for people to park in.	9/18/2019 2:57 PM
7	Has to be friendly. It's great that there are so many people interested in downtown. Don't drive them away with draconian parking regulations, fines, tickets, or tows.	9/17/2019 11:53 AM
8	No	9/17/2019 10:50 AM
9	I live on Military East between 3rd and 5th. Sometimes people park so close to my driveway it makes backing out very dangerous on the busy street. Military should be patrolled for parking too close to driveways, but also speed.	9/17/2019 7:59 AM
10	The parking on the 100 block of West H, where they added diagonal parking near Coldwell banker is a disaster. The big pickup trucks stick out and there's no way for traffic to go past unless they wait for the oncoming traffic to pass first. Also the really ridiculous bulb outs on First Street don't help anything nor does the one at the end of West Second and Military it doesn't help traffic, it enrages the drivers. There's not enough room to make a left turn and clear the parking strip on Military and you can't turn right if you're in line because the street corner bulbs out.	9/16/2019 7:47 PM
11	None	9/16/2019 6:51 PM
12	Yes the people that work at businesses should not be able to park on the side streets where houses are at, this one lady that works up the street parked in front of our house every single day I am so tired of it	9/16/2019 6:29 PM
13	If meters are installed, where will the revenue be used?	9/16/2019 6:17 PM
14	Pave existing lots & ensure adequate signage	9/16/2019 5:42 PM
15	Out of all the many places I've lived in the East Bay Area (Oakland, Berkeley, Albany, El Cerrito, Concord) Benicia has by far been the easiest place to park.	9/16/2019 4:52 PM
16	Please do surveillance on the downtown crosswalks...very few people stop for pedestrians.	9/16/2019 2:48 PM
17	With new Parking Garage at end of East E street add Electric Bike Rental to get those last blocks.	9/16/2019 12:04 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

18	This is not about parking, but it's related. The city's project of putting bumpy plastic things on every corner and making the street dip way down just before the corner and then slope up again has made it close to impossible for me to walk from one block to another. Those plastic bumps are slippery when wet, and they throw people off balance. Isn't there another solution for helping blind people? Do those plastic panels have to be so big??	9/16/2019 11:31 AM
19	no	9/16/2019 10:14 AM
20	No delivery trucks during the lunch rush hour, as some other cities restrict it	9/16/2019 9:40 AM
21	Quit pushing bicycle use as a solution to travel and parking problems. Not everyone can or will safely use a bicycles which frequently is a danger to pedestrians and other travelers.	9/16/2019 9:34 AM
22	Parade participants should not be able to block off the side walks for parades so far ahead as they have been in the past because it's a safety hazard to enter and exiting cars especially with kids or elderly.	9/16/2019 9:10 AM
23	dont change something that is not broken unless you are looking to make money off of parking meters smh like the people are stupid	9/16/2019 8:57 AM
24	It's getting harder and harder to find parking for a quick stop	9/16/2019 7:29 AM
25	With regard to Question #6, regarding disabled parking, providing it only works if the businesses also are disabled friendly. Many of the buildings are so old, you cannot easily navigate a wheelchair through the entrance either by yourself or when another person is pushing you. Example is Sandoval's. An able-bodied person cannot get through the narrow door. With regard to Question #7, you are not capturing a huge population of people who might answer that they do not live within walking distance of First Street yet do come downtown to walk/shop/do business. Areas include all homes above Military Avenue, near Raley's, in the Southampton Shopping Center area, Rose Drive, Waters End areas. These are large populations that cannot walk to First but I'm sure they drive down and walk around all the time. You really need to re-write these questions.	9/16/2019 6:45 AM
26	There just isn't enough parking to support day to day business, and residents when combined with a "downtown Benicia" event. Events on first should have designated parking areas for the event. Also much of first st is marked with 3 hour parking signs, that are NEVER enforced. I have yet to see one single vehicle on first ticketed or towed by bpd EVER. Why are first st parking laws never enforced? Could potentially make all the difference.	9/16/2019 6:36 AM
27	No	9/16/2019 5:50 AM
28	Angled parking offers more parking than parallel spaces, and creates a more consumer-friendly, small town ambience. It could provide space for bike lanes as well if angled spaces were placed down the center of the street.	9/16/2019 5:37 AM
29	Please try diagonal parking, in future easily metered. People typically come downtown for hair salon restaurant etc but will walk to check out other spots. I know many many people who come just to walk first street, parking isn't an big issue . I would meter as last resort. I think metering might cause backlash from businesses however maybe not? The people who come to walk park, walk eat etc	9/16/2019 5:37 AM
30	Put in brighter street lights towards the end of first st. Much darker starting around chamber to the end at night.	9/16/2019 3:27 AM
31	No but something you should know about walking is that walking distance is highly subjective. I can walk to first street in 40 minutes because it's two miles away. I'm not sure why you asked that question.	9/15/2019 11:51 PM
32	Most of times downtown is dead. We have good businesses not great businesses in Benicia and if you start charging for parking you will surely kill off the last remaining businesses! NO Angled parking -it's not safe & causes accidents!	9/15/2019 10:56 PM
33	No	9/15/2019 10:38 PM
34	First Street business owners, especially real estate business or businesses with a lot of employees, should have their employees park a block away from First Street so customers could park there.	9/15/2019 10:22 PM
35	Its not a problem. I mean Benicia is not Walnut Creek or Berkeley (and I'm glad.)	9/15/2019 10:20 PM
36	Enforce video surveillance as there have been theft issues	9/15/2019 12:37 PM
37	Disabled parking spots should be a priority.	9/14/2019 5:14 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

38	Add handicap spots already for God's sake. Do you really need to be sued first? Because that's where it's headed and it's obvious you know the law and that the city is deficient....	9/13/2019 7:55 PM
39	Yes, as a disabled person, it is impossible for me to walk far and this is true for a lot of Seniors and Disabled persons. There needs to be more parking for us and it has to be easy to find and either on or close to 1st street businesses. I only know of three spaces and they on not on 1st but on three side streets. That is not enough. And, I have to walk too to go to the places I like to eat, get my haircut or shop. It keeps me from going to 1st street very often.	9/12/2019 8:59 PM
40	No	9/11/2019 11:39 AM
41	it is great	9/10/2019 8:11 AM
42	No meters! If you charge for it, I won't go downtown.	9/10/2019 12:15 AM
43	Parking gets worse every year. Thank you. Celeste Spillane	9/9/2019 11:46 PM
44	How about a paved parking lot?	9/9/2019 8:48 PM
45	Employees of First st businesses should not park on First st. We need more stop signs or another stop light.	9/9/2019 4:19 PM
46	Most days parking isn't a problem but Benicia is getting more popular with out of town people and it won't be long before parking will be an issue. It also disturbs me that I've seen two people get hit in the last year and had people not see me crossing "this a lot" or me not see people starting to cross, because of cars parked too close to cross walks, signage not clear, the roads too long without variation. I don't know, I'm glad it's being looked at.	9/9/2019 4:08 PM
47	There's never enough parking	9/9/2019 3:53 PM
48	There is no issue regarding parking in Benicia!!!!!! Walk it does a body good!!! FIX OUR STREETS!!!	9/9/2019 3:43 PM
49	Pave areas by the "Green" to the Marina and put parking lines. Pave empty lots near 1st street with parking lines. People tend to stay within the lines when parking.	9/9/2019 2:30 PM
50	No.	9/9/2019 2:08 PM
51	Parking in Benicia works well. Do not fix what is not broken!	9/9/2019 1:56 PM
52	Had you not taken away parking in order to put in trees, you'd have more spots. Of go back to diagonal parking like years ago.	9/9/2019 12:57 PM
53	Go back to shuttling for big events like 4th if July, peddlers Fair, Xmas tree lighting, etc.	9/9/2019 12:53 PM
54	Some shop owners park on the street for the day using a space that should be for customers. DO NOT PUT UP METERS!!!!	9/9/2019 12:11 PM
55	Having worked in Berkeley for many years and struggling with that parking, I'd like people to park more compactly here in town! I often see cars in 1.5 spaces rather than taking a minimum space.	9/9/2019 11:50 AM
56	Don't start using meters or time restrictions. Don't drive public away. Keep shuttles on busy events with directional signs off freeway.	9/9/2019 11:00 AM
57	East N St is overcrowded with vehicles	9/9/2019 10:47 AM
58	No.	9/9/2019 9:20 AM
59	All downtown parking lots are in violation of city codes and federal ADA laws.	9/9/2019 9:15 AM
60	I am fairly new to Benicia and I admit to being walking distance from first street. With that said, one of the things I liked about Benicia was the free parking on 1st street and the available parking on the side streets. Of course that varies on Farmer's Market days. I'm not sure I fully understand the issues.	9/9/2019 6:41 AM
61	I do not support meters. The small businesses would get hurt, they are seen as unfriendly to visitors and take away from our small town vibe.	9/9/2019 5:33 AM
62	Benica's Downtown is a Beauty to behold but parallel parking can be a challenge for many people. With the trees lining the streets visibility is difficult due to their width, and limited parking capacity.	9/9/2019 2:20 AM
63	Don't put in parking meters, especially anything like the ones in Walnut Creek	9/8/2019 7:16 PM

Downtown Benicia Parking Study_TWO

64	1st St residents (with a 1st St address) need to be able to have guests park longer than the allowable time. Parking permits are needed. There aren't a lot of us but we have to park blocks away and have no legal parking while we are on vacation. Please don't forget about us.	9/8/2019 5:30 PM
65	Most spots on First street are not big enough for pickup.	9/8/2019 3:51 PM
66	I'm telling you, free parking is important for bringing people in downtown.	9/8/2019 3:06 PM
67	How about getting rid of parallel parking on first street and parting vertically with parking meters.	9/8/2019 1:55 PM
68	Control the parking hours on first street. Some employers and employees park in front of First Street businesses for the day, everyday and never move.	9/8/2019 1:38 PM
69	It's not a problem.	9/8/2019 1:21 PM
70	Pave the parking lot at East E and East 2nd Street. Makes it easier to walk through after parking. Paint parking stalls. Will get more cars in there if stalls are clearly marked.	9/8/2019 12:36 PM
71	If you install parking meters it will cause a decrease in volume of patrons for our local merchants unless you provide free parking somewhere else like Walnut Creek does	9/8/2019 12:19 PM
72	Yes the available city parking lots are a disgrace they should be paved instead and parking lines should be painted as some people use multiple spaces when parking their cars	9/8/2019 11:36 AM
73	Downtown Benicia is a wonderful destination. As long as we do not flood our community with too many tourists we will be able to support the local public's parking needs.	9/8/2019 11:32 AM
74	It's ok	9/8/2019 11:32 AM
75	Fix E 2nd Street of horrible bumps. Pave the parking lot!	9/8/2019 11:29 AM
76	We don't need meters. It's presents poorly to visitors	9/8/2019 11:27 AM
77	we don't need parking meters on first street. You got a 1% sales tax and all you did was pave the roads of the city council's home streets. god knows what you idiots are paying for consulting for this project.	9/8/2019 11:00 AM
78	The City should keep and create new parking to support downtown businesses. Parking meters only depress retail as simple convenience is the only benefit they have over bigger stores and online stores. Depressing local retail business causes a loss of sales tax revenue to the City. Enforcement of parking regulations is key to maintaining easy access to local businesses.	9/8/2019 11:00 AM
79	n/a	9/8/2019 10:56 AM
80	I think people are leaving their cars there all day while taking other transportation; this should be monitored. With all the new great restaurants in town, we need to address parking	9/8/2019 10:53 AM
81	Please don't charge for parking I can barley afford the bridge	9/8/2019 10:51 AM
82	Please add more bike parking spots	9/8/2019 10:48 AM
83	Please do not install parking meters!! I am very much opposed to this idea.	9/8/2019 10:44 AM
84	No	9/8/2019 10:43 AM
85	Please don't use pay meters on 1st st!	9/8/2019 10:42 AM
86	Tell the Farm and Flower to move that truck! What a wasted parking space!!	9/8/2019 10:39 AM

