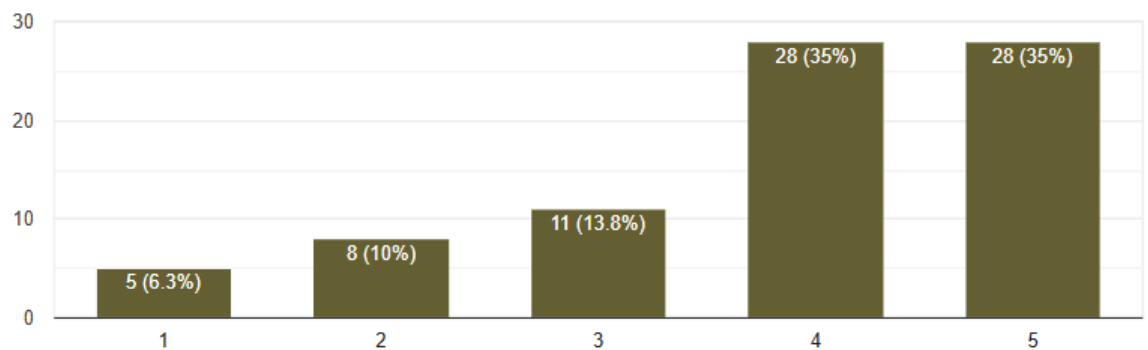


1. Over the past year, the SCNA board has spent time on the following:
  - SCNA neighborhood picnic
  - Traffic safety
  - Middle housing
  - Zoning changes (land use) in the City of Olympia's Comprehensive Plan
  - Parking
  - Supporting the renaming of Steven's Field
  - Lack of home occupancy permit enforcement/home to business conversions/lobbyist housing code violations

**Do you agree on the items the SCNA board has chosen to spend time on?**

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Scale 1 = Strongly disagree, 5 = Strongly agree

2. Do you feel there is a top issue affecting our neighborhood? Your issue can be from the SCNA list or something else.
  - Parking
  - traffic
  - Parking during the legislative session
  - I think the water pressure is lower than it should be. I'd also like to see the board showcasing the dogs in our neighborhood so folks get to know them and can help if one gets away.
  - Pro-Middle housing; if I could I would disband the city's residential parking permit process entirely
  - Off leash dogs in the neighborhood
  - Traffic and roads
  - Crime/prowlers
  - Housing affordability.
  - Traffic safety and affordability are the top two that come to mind

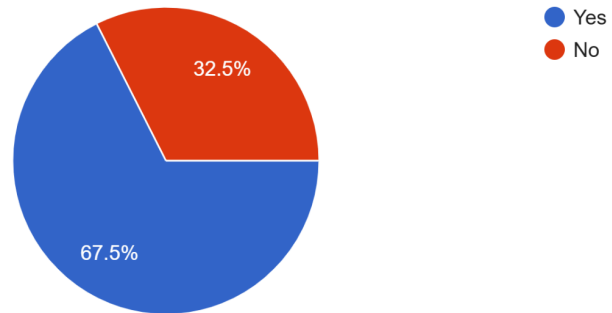
- density
- Lack of home occupancy permit enforcement on lobbyists..
- Helping the unhoused
- Lobbyist houses/losing families from the neighborhood because all properties seem to be bought by lobbyists/firms
- Safety. Traffic speed on Capitol Way.
- Strengthening personal connections among neighborhood residents, which I see as the purpose of the neighborhood picnic
- Traffic Safety, parking, middle housing
- Zoning changes, parking, and traffic.
- Traffic. Slowing down traffic
- Housing to business conversions
- The threat to the existence of the neighborhood by lobbyists and zoning changes.
- Lack of home occupancy permit enforcement/home to business conversions/lobbyist housing code violations
- Slippery leaves on sidewalks
- lobbyists owned houses that are vacant two thirds of the year
- Housing Code/Building Zone: If we are considered South Capital "historical" neighborhood, why are we allowing neighbors to build modern homes that doesn't fit the historical theme of the neighborhood?
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- Also, folks dumping things on street corners.
- Sidewalks cracking, apparently drugged out people standing dazed in the streets
- Use of houses / traffic
- Really interested in renaming Stevens Field to Edwards Field.
- Business taking over housing
- No parking enforcement during interim in no parking zones and one hour zones, construction vehicles taking up all street parking and racing through the neighborhood unsafely
- Lobbyists buying up too many houses
- Middle housing
- I think it is unfortunate you grouped all the priorities together and asked us to agree or disagree. It would likely be more informative if you separated each issue. For example, I think most of those items are a great use of time, but the last item is a monumental waste of time and harms everyone in the neighborhood who works from home so I indicated "1"
- Supporting middle housing
- We need more middle housing
- The use of residential homes as offices. This is HUGE on so many levels...economic, social, political, historical, environmental....
- Lobbyist buying housing!
- Future of capital blvd redesign
- Housing affordability and loss of housing to business/other uses
- lobbying housing code violations and traffic safety

- Lack of home occupancy, home to business conversions, lobbyist housing code violations
- Parking. This is more of an issue with the City. I live on the SE side. I have lived in my house for over 36 years. I have seen over the years the Parking Enforcement officers constantly target the residents. My neighbor got a ticket for improperly parking too close to his driveway because there was a huge snow Bank caused by the plows. There have been cars parked on the street for months where homeless people were living, spewing garbage on the street and sidewalks, without ever getting a parking ticket. For several weeks there was a loaded log truck parked on the wrong side of the street. I called the City and asked them why this was allowed to happen and they said they had never seen the truck. Ridiculous.
- I think it's crazy to expect Capitol Way to be a sleepy road.
- Lack of enforcement of home occupation and speeds on Capital Blvd
- Lack of parking enforcement when legis not in session.
- Home to business conversions
- I'm most concerned about speeding and unsafe traffic on Capitol Way. I appreciate the SCNA engaging on this. The picnic and other gatherings are really valuable too.
- Capitol Way Corridor Improvements
- Dog waste in the yards, car break ins
- Affordability
- I appreciate the community building work you do!
- Helping downtown flourish helps South Cap neighborhood
- Operating a business out of the home. I'm concerned about deliveries and parking associated with that.
- I'm concerned about the impact of expanding air traffic with development of the airport.
- Get rid of the homeowner/renter annual parking fee. Lobbyists should not be allowed to purchase homes for business purposes in the South Capitol Neighborhood.
- traffic safety and zoning
- The zoning changes
- Our neighborhood is wonderful. The biggest issue affecting Olympia, including our neighborhood is lack of affordable housing
- Home occupancy permits and zoning
- Sidewalks and streets
- picnic
- Traffic safety--capitol way redesign & slowing traffic. Our property has been hit by four different speeding cars on capitol over our time in it.
- SCNA Neighborhood picnic
- Degradation of the neighborhood (especially west of Capitol Way) by non-resident lobbyists.
- Lobbies buying houses, Capitol Way traffic calming

3.

Do you feel like you know how to bring issues or questions to the SCNA board?

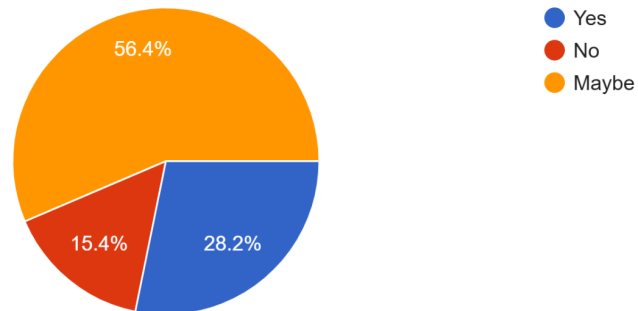
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4.

The SCNA board has been approached about hosting a candidate forum. If SCNA board hosted candidate forums, would you attend?

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5. If you selected "Maybe" to the previous question, please explain:

- depends on my schedule
- If available
- It would depend on which candidates attend.

- Depends on timing
- Date dependent
- Would depend on time of day, day of week, and my own capacity given my other obligations.
- depends on scheduling
- I have good intentions, but I struggle with follow-through. Could we partner with a couple neighborhoods?
- It would depend on scheduling and candidates
- I am often not in town and for some reason find myself feeling anxious attending those in person. However, the ability to ask questions pertinent to our neighborhood would be great.
- Timing and other commitments
- I might not have time to do this but I am very interested to know how different candidates stand on specific issues.
- It would depend on the time and date and if I am able to attend.
- I would need more information as to what you mean by a candidate forum. Like, locally elected offices? School board, etc?
- If it's at a convenient time (evening or weekend)
- I don't want to be one of those people who commits to showing up and then doesn't.
- depends on time and date
- Depending on work schedule and kids.
- Depending upon my availability to attend.
- Depending on date and time
- Travel conflicts
- Depends on day and time/my availability
- Candidates for what?
- depends on date and my availability
- Only if ALL candidates are provided a fair opportunity to participate without bias.
- Date dependent.
- Timing
- Depends on time/date
- Depends in the races or issue.
- depends on what offices they are candidates for and how well their positions are already known. I'm unlikely to attend if there are other sources of information.
- Depends on if all candidates are in attendance regardless of affiliation.
- Depends on whether we can ask questions or if it's pre planned
- I have kids so timing and whether it is kid friendly would affect my attendance
- Depends on the issue/race
- Depends on date/time. Saturday morning 9 am with coffee and donuts would be best for me
- I will attend if it aligns with my schedule.
- Depends on my travel
- Depends on the candidates

- I'm pressed for time and have other ways to research candidates.

6. Are there other events you like to see SCNA board host?

- No
- Neighborhood parties
- Neighborhood garage sale
- Volunteering opportunities, food drives
- How to successfully grow a veg garden
- Nope!
- I wonder if an early summer event might be fun. Organizing a neighborhood garage sale would be nice, and maybe include a communal space where people who don't have the space to host a sale could bring their items to sell. Maybe some portion of proceeds could go to the SCNA or a local nonprofit.
- Garage sale
- Community support
- Instead of annual picnic we should have a winter event at Lincoln for families to join.
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- Also hosting musical events at the carriage house. More advertisement of events in the neighborhood.
- Neighborhood song along!
- Garden and tree planting and care event
- a workgroup to look at establishing a community garden, events that support walk/biking to work and school, neighborhood clean-up/planting events, Q and A sessions with city/county officials on topics that impact the neighborhood, the future of St. John's Episcopal Church which I've heard is slated for demolition...? these are just ideas if people have interest!
- I would love it if it hosted more events, they are such a fun way to spend time with neighbors! Other neighborhoods have a yearly children's parade, a yard sale day, and more events throughout the year. Maybe a quarterly event would be fun.
- More events building up our sense of community
- The Board is doing an excellent job working on the listed issues.
- Coordinate fruit tree harvest to donate to food bank.
- Holiday party? The long-ago festivities at the Lord Mansion were wonderful.
- Movies at the Mansion!
- I think the picnic is great. Focus on community building.
- Organize fruit sharing in the fall. Most of the fruit on trees in our neighborhood is not used. It could be put to better use.
- Keep distributing notices and minutes of board meetings.
- Periodic meetings with local legislative delegation
- Clean up of shared areas that the city doesn't address regularly
- Picnic and holiday party are wonderful--valuable opportunity to foster neighborly relationships. Keep them up!

- SCNA could get ideas from activities held by other local or national neighborhood associations, including membership drives.

7. Is there anything else you'd like to share with the SCNA board?

- No
- Lobbyists' homes sell high and increase my home value
- I'd like to see the board supporting area beautification projects like painting intersections and I'd like to see the board encourage the city to support (via extra yard waste bins placed around) cleaning up the fall leaves along capitol way.
- I really hate the city's residential parking program
- Thank you for doing this work. Our neighbors don't agree on things- so you are in a difficult position. Thank you for staying there, in the middle. And not trying to take positions on things people don't agree on. If people don't agree, the neighborhood should shouldn't have an opinion.
- I think it would be helpful for people to know how to engage with you. Some of us have been here for multiple years but don't quite feel connected or aware enough to get involved.
- The neighborhood block party is great but I really don't approve of using public funds to throw ourselves a party. We are one of the most affluent neighborhoods in Olympia and can afford to buy our own burgers and rent chairs.
- Thank you for your diligent efforts!
- Thank you for communications and meeting minutes!
- Maybe SCNA could echo the cities requests to keep drains clear in front of our homes.
- Good work
- The moderator of the comments during the recent debate about people putting give away items on street corners should not be moderating comments. That whole thing was absurd and filled my inbox unnecessarily.
- Our part of town is plagued with loud low flying helicopters and planes. Can we challenge the port about flight paths?
- Members of the SCNA have gotten increasingly aggressive, harassing residents outside their own homes for perceived parking infractions, harassing residents about remodel decisions made in their own home, recording their neighbors comings and goings, providing tours to city council members and pointing out which homeowners they believe should be discriminated against (picked up on ring cameras btw - very creepy!). It feels very gestapo. It's very disturbing you spend your time on this and makes me not want to be part of this group.
- Please stop attempting to promote discrimination in housing ownership.
- This neighborhood has a serious off leash dog problem. Dogs are required by law to be on leash everywhere with the exception of designated dog parks. Neighbors regularly release their dogs at Stevens field, Lincoln elementary, and even on the street. This is both criminal and simply disrespectful to people with children, people with other dogs, and people who are generally wary of dogs.

How are we supposed to be an actual community if we can't trust our neighbors to do the simplest things, like leashing their dogs? This is low hanging fruit for the scna board to tackle via neighborhood outreach, law enforcement, and creating new dog parks.

- It would be good to know if the businesses, churches and the school in the neighborhood are also on the email list serve as they also are part of the neighborhood. It would also be good to know how many emails are on the list serve. Thank you!
- I hope the city's plan to redesign Capital Blvd doesn't make it hard for s cap residents to use the street. I don't have much confidence in city traffic planners.
- I appreciate the dedication of the SCNA Board Members. It was very clear a great deal of time was spent researching and developing the response to the City regarding private businesses and other issues. Thank you for protecting each and every home owner. I am truly grateful.
- I know many of the homeowners in the neighborhood who work at the capitol, and I believe the Association would be better served by positively encouraging these homeowners to participate in the community rather than trying to push them out. Generally these people do a good job caring for their homes and are quiet. It is true that many of them aren't present year round, but part of the reason they aren't visible is because they feel like they need to keep their heads down to avoid the ire of some of their neighbors. If they were welcomed, assured that engaging wouldn't result in them being targeted, and asked to help with association initiatives I am confident they would slowly begin to engage and become an even greater asset to the community. The blunt reality is that there's a lack of property near the Capitol that is available for office use. The city and state haven't planned to accommodate the demand that is created by the fact that the Capitol campus is bounded by the lake, state buildings, and residential houses on three sides, and that for the most part the nearest commercially available property is simply too far away to be practical for most people who work on campus. There is a way to make sure the South Capitol neighborhood continues to be beautiful and retains its historic charm, but also adapts to the hard truth of its location and zoning realities.
- Bike lanes on Capital
- I am both a homeowner, raising my family in the neighborhood, and a business owner working from my home year-round. I would be deeply concerned about any position the SCNA might take that interfered with my ability to continue conducting my business from my home office. The modern economy allows a lot of people to work from home--we should not take any positions that would impose additional costs or restrictions on people working from home unless there's a clear adverse impact on neighbors.
- I disagreed with SCNAs stance on middle housing and zoning and the letter to the City objecting to middle housing code amendments. That felt like an overreach to me and I'm not sure how representative it was of our residents.
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- I am very pleased with the new crosswalk lighting and I think it has made the neighborhood more pedestrian friendly.
- I really appreciate Sue's summaries of board meetings.
- We've all chosen to live in a neighborhood around the state Capitol. The presence of increased activity during the legislative session and lobbyists wanting to own homes in our neighborhood should come as no surprise. That's part of the territory. As someone who has either rented or owned a home in this neighborhood for 17 years, it's time to put down the pitchforks and appreciate that the Capitol's presence is actually what makes this neighborhood so desirable. The neighborhood is quiet (except during session), safe, and well-maintained. It's a pleasure to live here. Please stop the unnecessary drama.
- I do not support changing the name of Stevens Field.
- I'm interested in organizing a neighborhood wide free pile day
- I'm both a homeowner and business owner.
- The lobbyist housing code issue should be removed from the work plan.

8.

Which of the following best describes you?

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