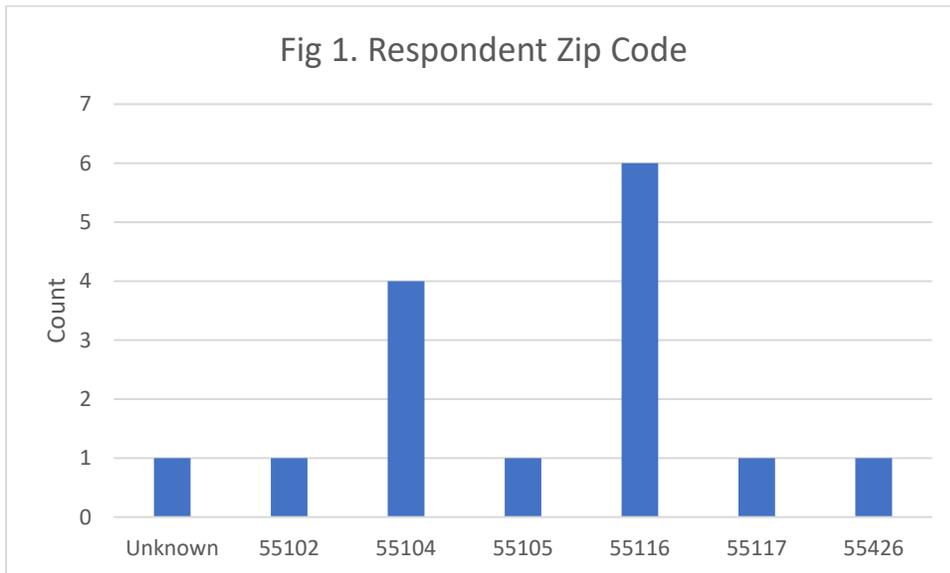


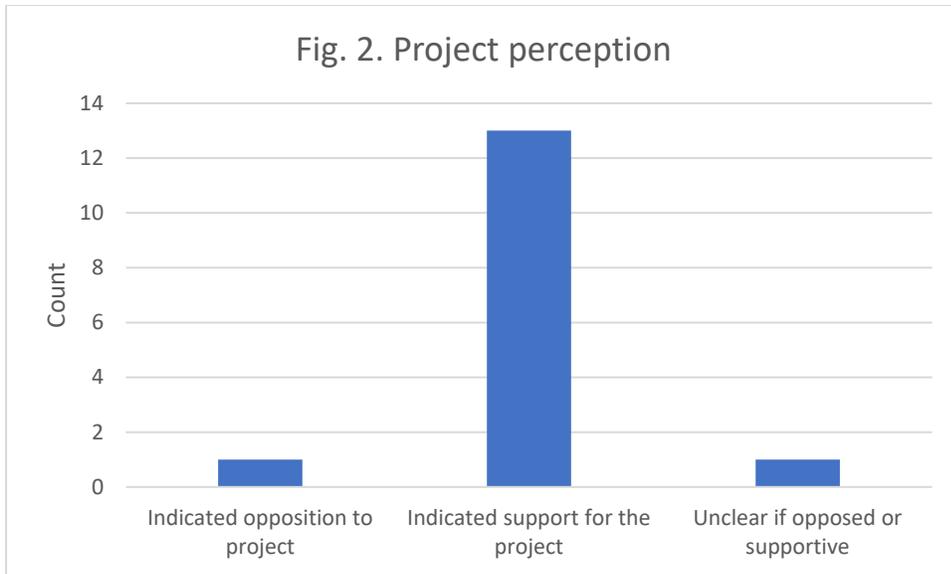
St. Paul Avenue Resurfacing Project Feedback Responses

This document summarizes feedback gathered from a Spring 2021 feedback form. The form was publicly available online from early April to May 31, 2021 and asked community members for their thoughts about the planned 2021 St. Paul Avenue Resurfacing Project between W 7th Street and Edgumbe Road, which includes new pavement and bike lanes.

Response analysis

Fifteen feedback form responses were collected online. Figure 1 below shows reported zip codes of respondents. All zip codes are in Saint Paul except 55426, which is in the western Twin Cities suburbs. The St. Paul Avenue Resurfacing Project area is within 55116. Based on the individual written comments, city staff inferred the level of support from each respondent. See Figure 2 for details.





Responses to comments

Most comments collected from the feedback form share a common theme:

- Is it possible to incorporate additional separation or protection between people riding bikes and drivers?

Given the scope of a mill and overlay, the proposed buffered bike lane next to the travel lane is the bike facility that is most feasible based on cost and maintenance considerations. Designing the road with the bike lane along the curb, with vehicle parking between people biking and the travel lane would limit the feasibility of curb extensions as planned at W 7th Street, Davern Street, and midblock between the two. Curb extensions provide greater visibility to pedestrians waiting to cross, shorten the crossing distance, and narrow the road to calm traffic.

In the future, as funding becomes available for additional street projects, the City will continue to reference adopted plans and goals to expand and increase a safe and comfortable bicycle network.

One comment in opposition to the project is summarized below:

- Is there a need to invest in this project given the Twin Cities cold climate?

The City of Saint Paul aims to provide a variety of transportation modes that can be accessed in all weather. Investing in bike facilities maintained year round is supported by the Comprehensive Plan, the Saint Paul Bicycle Plan, and the Climate Action Resilience Plan.