



# PORTLAND COMMERCIAL STREET OPERATIONS AND MASTER PLAN

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## Commercial Street Operations and Master Plan

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- Data Collection Summary
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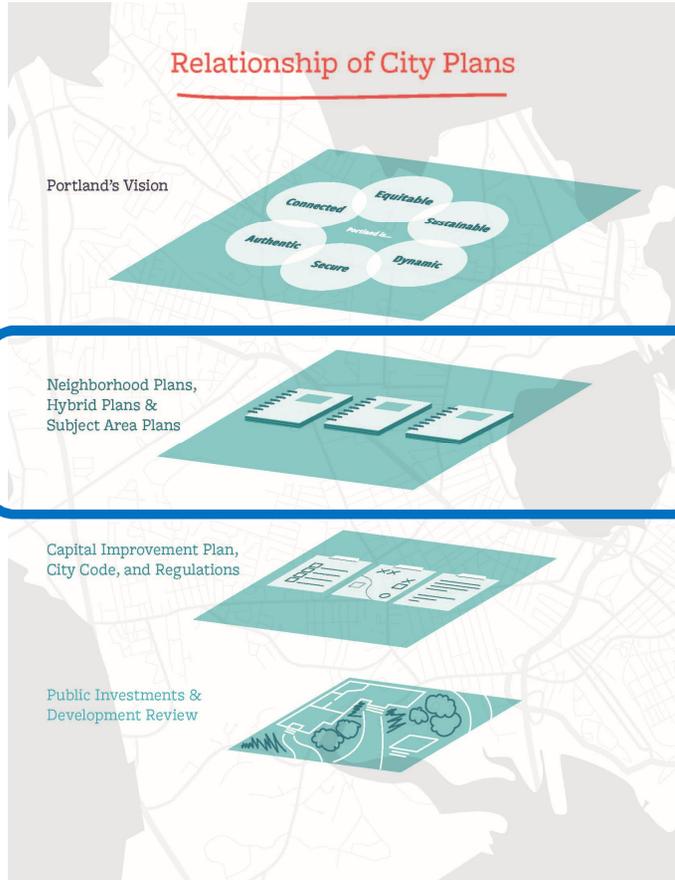
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# Portland's Plan 2030: Vision



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# Portland's Plan 2030: Waterfront Background

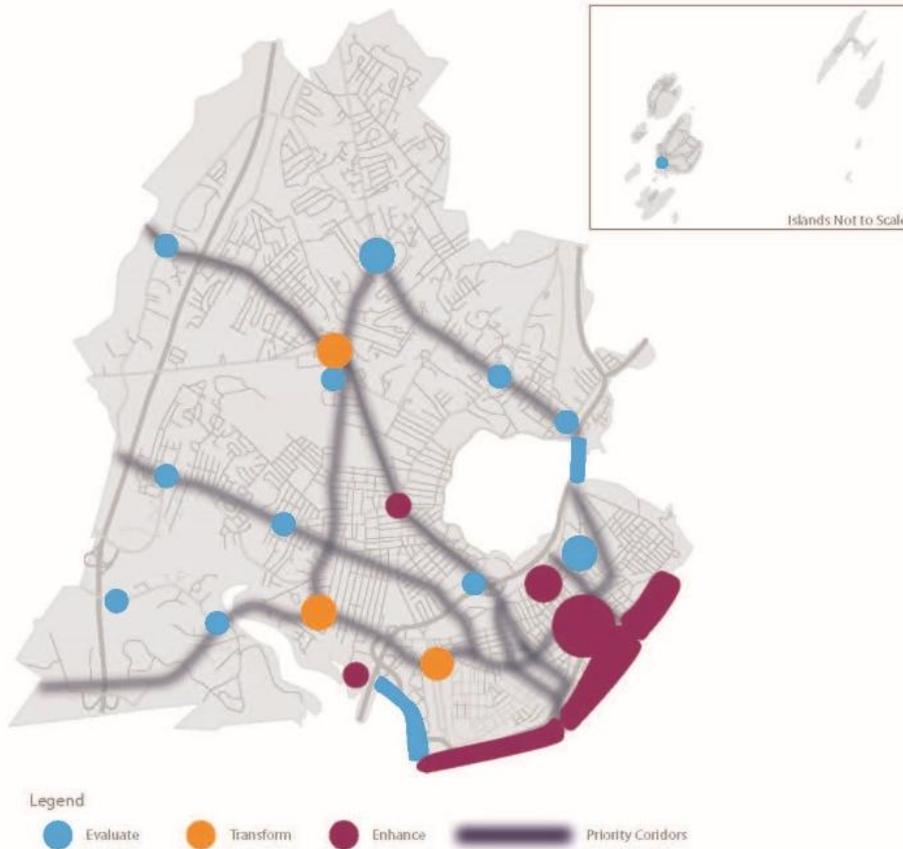


- Three distinct districts
- Working port
- Commercial core
- Multi-modal transportation hub
- Recreational resource
- Historic resource
- Ecological resource
- Tourist destination
- Foundational to city identity
- Major economic driver
- Area of potential growth



# Portland's Plan 2030: Policy Guidance

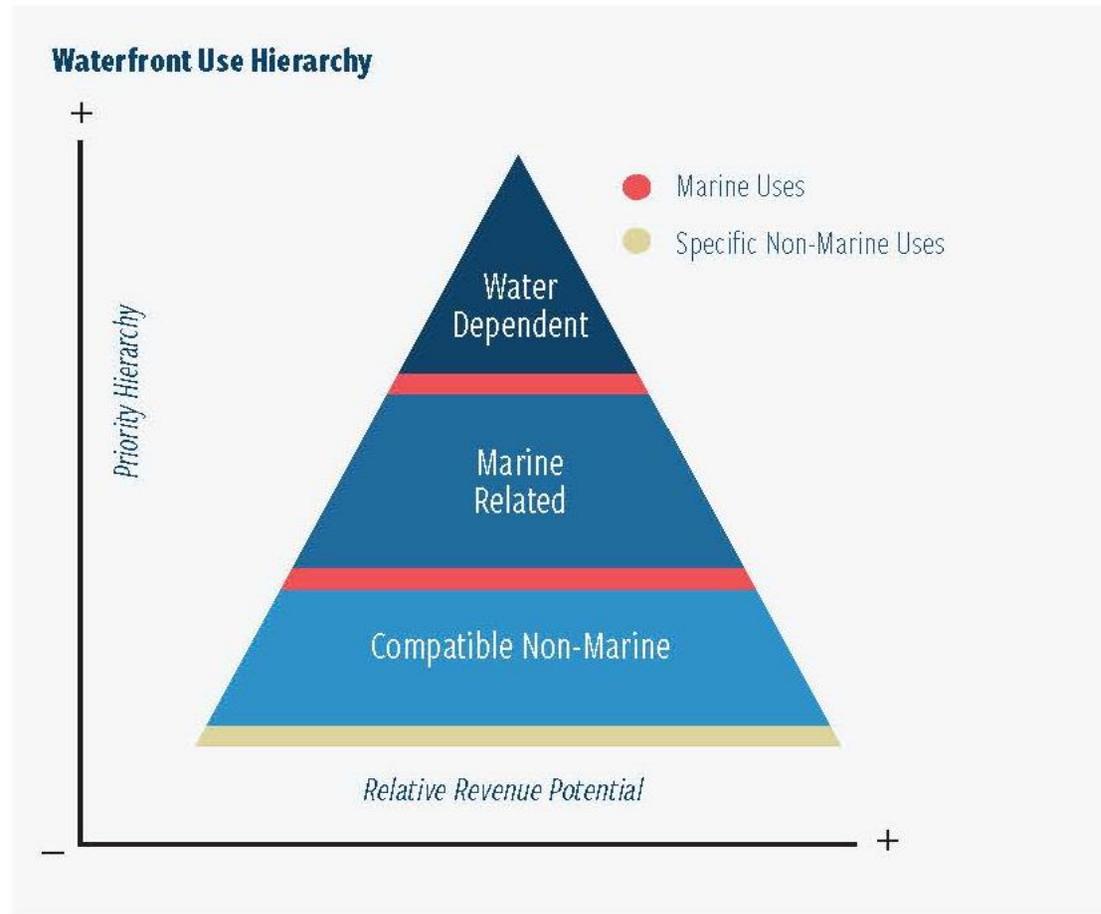
Priority Nodes & Corridors



- Support Commercial Street as a key connection in city's transportation & recreation network
- Continue to support the vision for the Eastern, Central Western waterfronts
- Balance traditional and emerging water-dependent uses with compatible non-marine uses
- Maintain truck, loading, and staging access for marine industries
- Balance mobility needs of marine industries with other users
- Promote a multi-modal, accessible transportation system for all users
- Encourage physical and visual access to waterfront
- Recognize the area as an economic and transportation center of regional significance.



# Portland's Plan 2030: Policy Guidance



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# Portland's Plan 2030: Waterfront Challenges



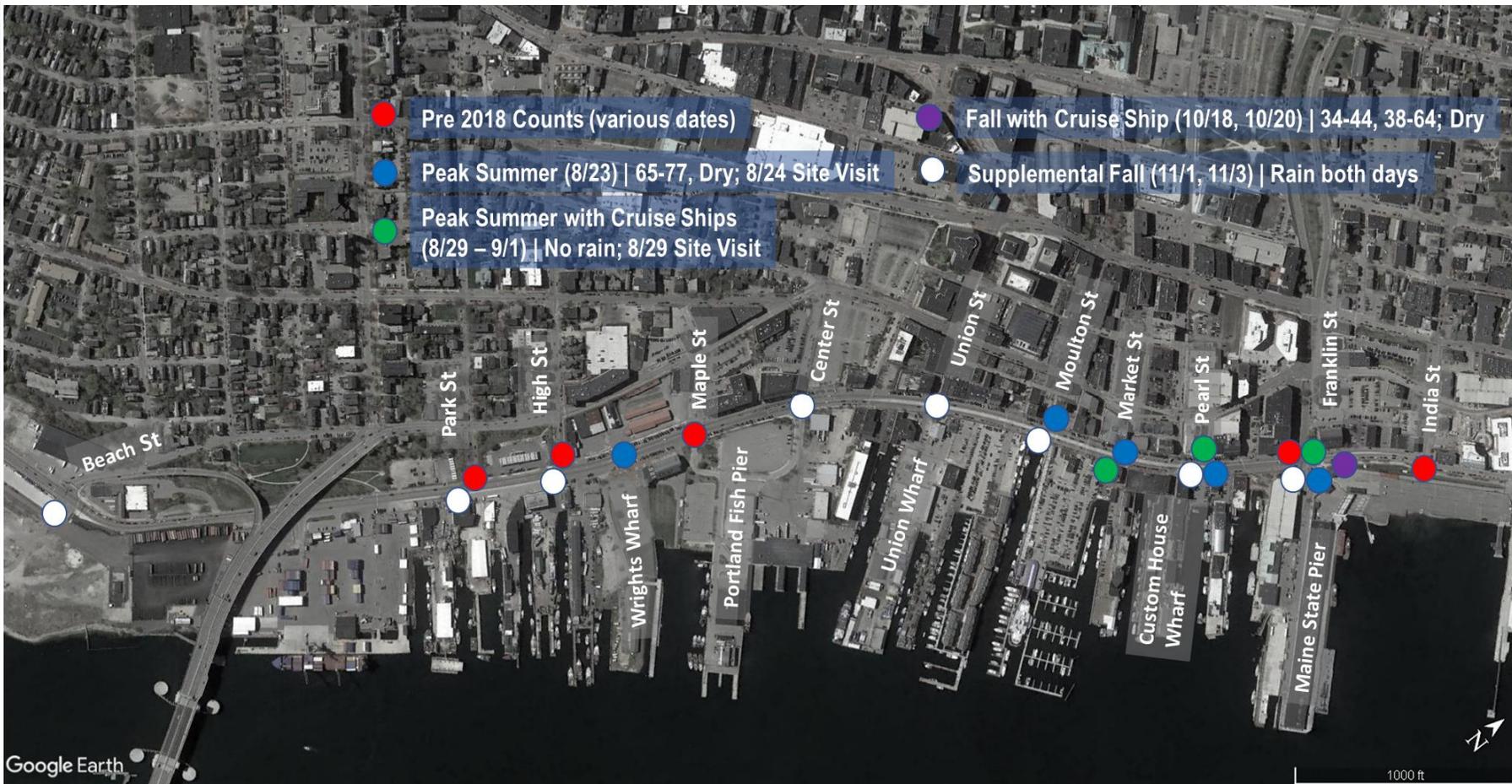
- Maintenance of infrastructure
- Public access
- Neighborhood integrity - on and near the waterfront
- Dredging needs
- Changing industry needs, including transportation
- Stormwater impacts
- Climate change

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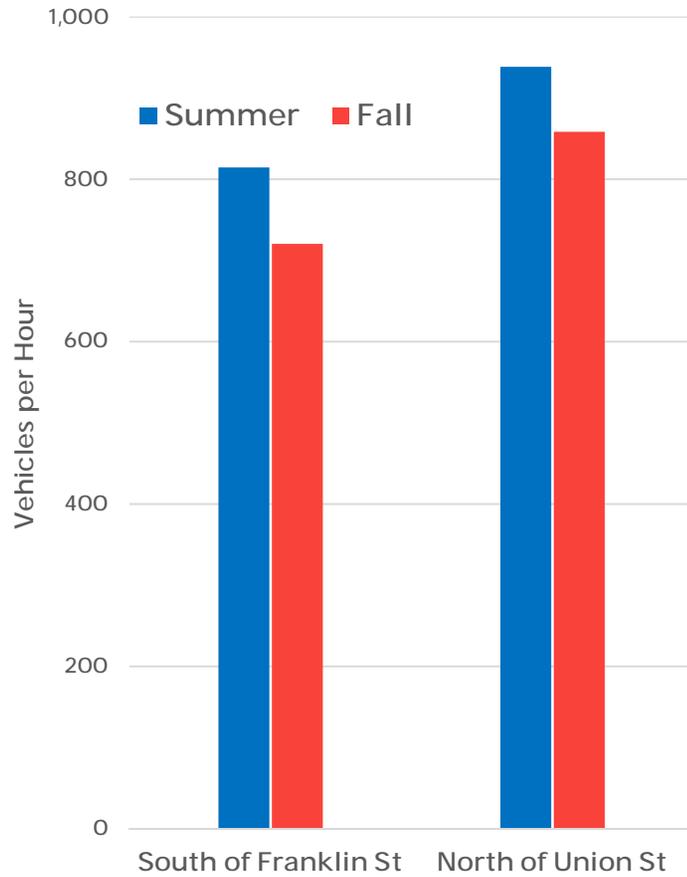
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# Traffic Count Data Collection Summary

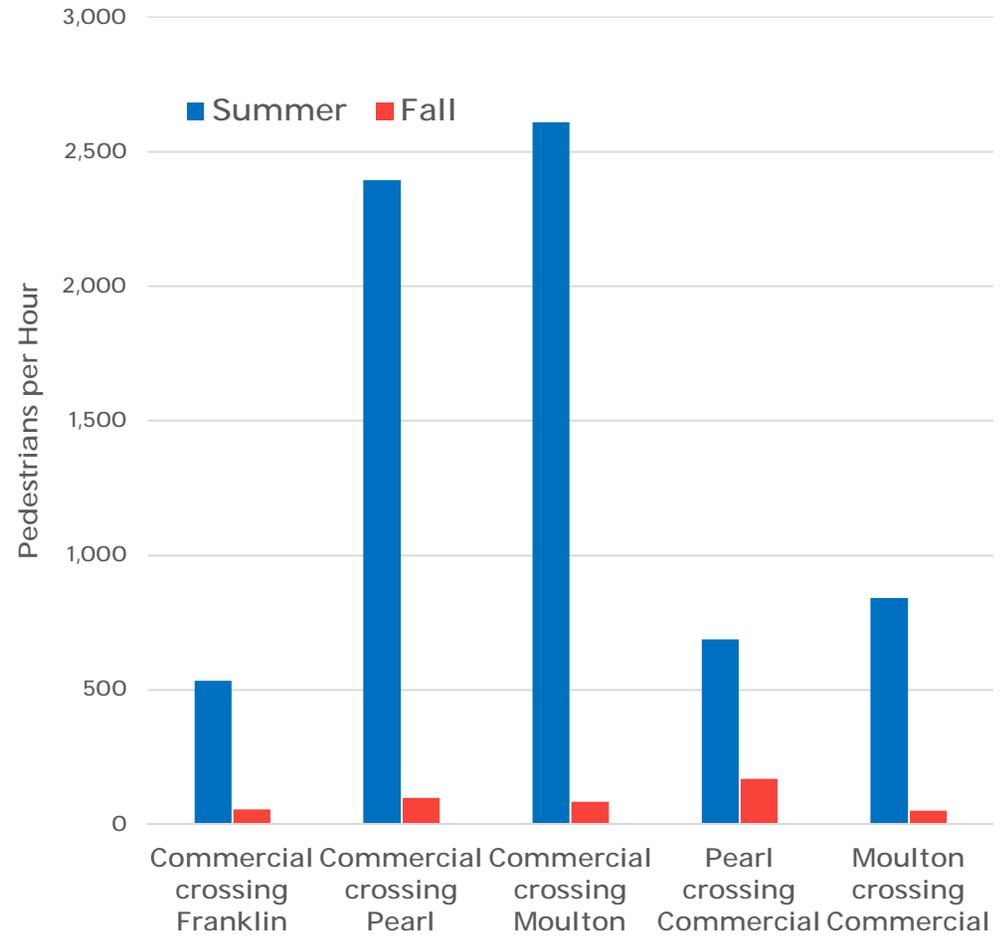




### Summer & Fall Vehicle Count (Weekday PM Peak Hour)



### Summer & Fall Pedestrian Counts (Weekday PM Peak Hour)



# Existing Issues Beach St. - Cross St.

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# Existing Issues Cross St. - India St.

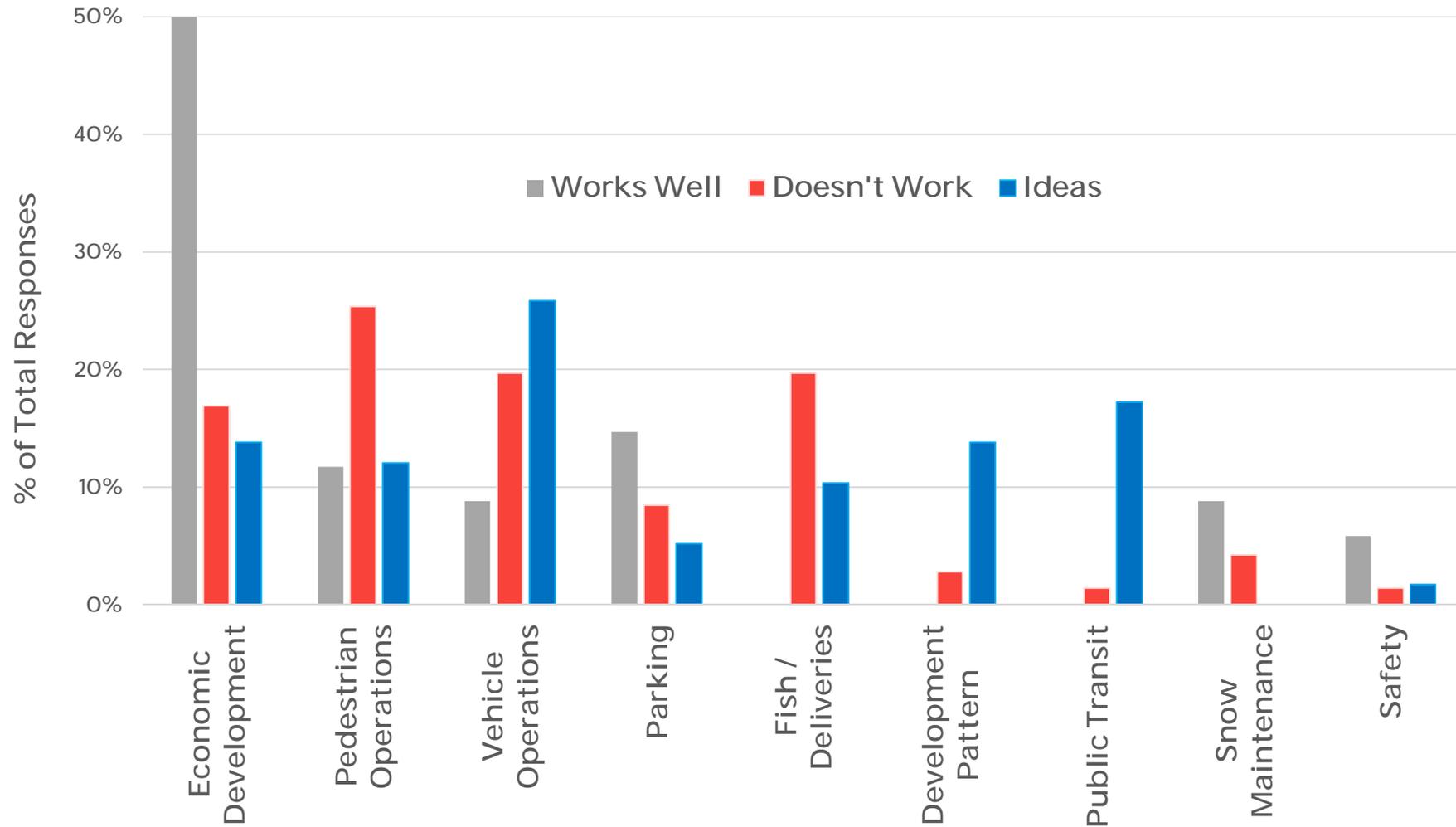
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# Pedestrian Conflicts & Constraints



# Existing Issues & Opportunities: Public Comment Summary



# Project Visioning and Discussion

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## Group Discussion

What is the #1 issue you want this study to address?



## Small Group Discussion

- What words would you use to describe your vision of what Commercial Street will be 10 years from now?
- What are possible priorities for the corridor?  
(E.g. Working waterfront, economic development, tourism & visitors, resident quality of life, employers & employees, through traffic, other)
- What are principles that should help guide us in planning for the future?  
(E.g. fairness, equity, speed, convenience, freight deliveries, safety, balance, pedestrian needs?)
- Other visioning thoughts?



## Commercial Street Operations and Master Plan

- Next Steps
- To Provide Comment to:  
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