

## Stakeholder questions and comments during 10.21 Trees Webinar

City Plants webinar  
Dec. 8 and 9

North East Trees project at Buchanan Street Elementary

Rosa Rivas – near Garvanza Elementary?  
Hollow trees that need to be taken care of - three of them on Ave. 63

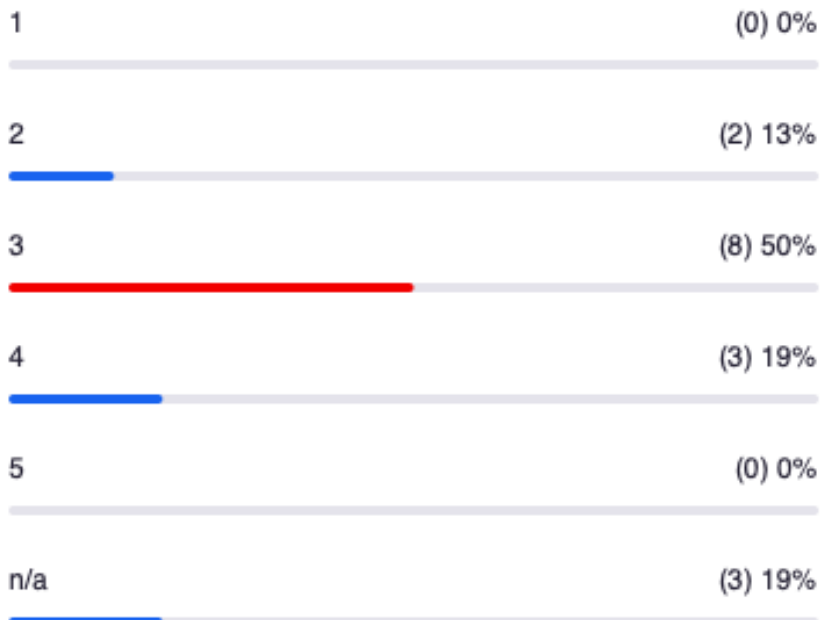
Tricia O'Connell  
Working on green school yards

### Poll 1: Community perspective

Poll closed

16 voted

**1. How would you rate your experience walking down the main boulevards of the Historic Highland Park (York and Figueroa) all aspects being considered (from a 1 to 5, 1 being the lowest, 5 being the highest)?**

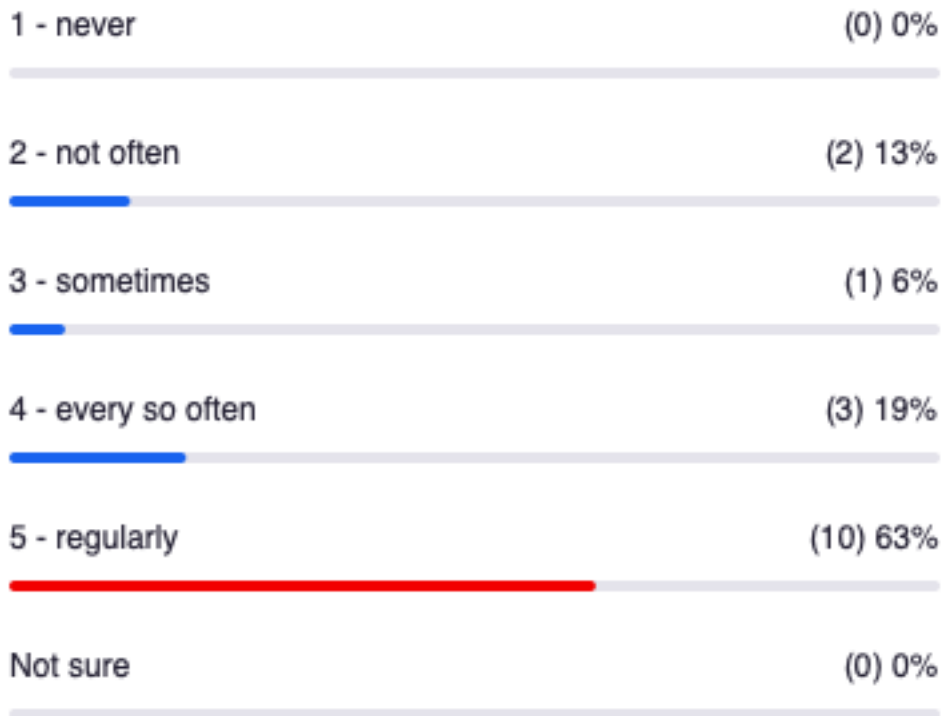


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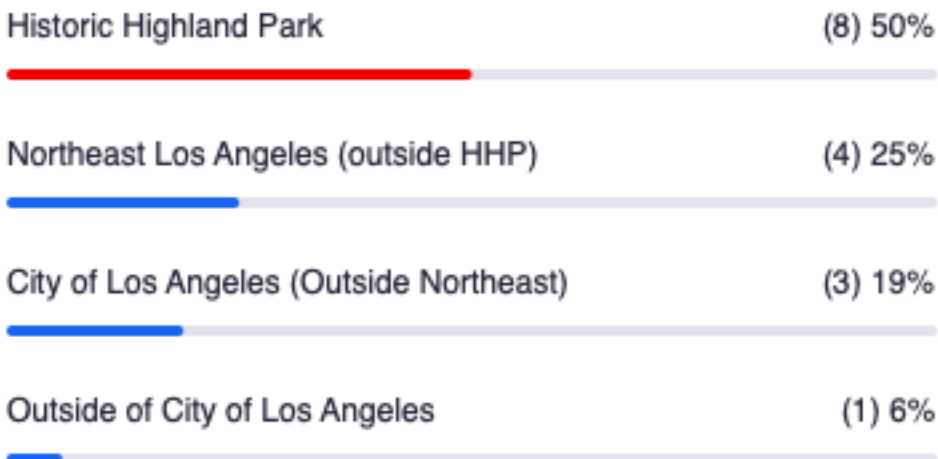
**2. From a 1 to 5, how shaded do you think our neighborhood is?**



**3. From a 1 to 5, how often do you think about our neighborhood trees?**



**4. Where do you live?**



## 5. What brings you on this call?(Multiple Choice)

I want to learn how to care for my trees. (5/16) 31%



I care about sustainability. (12/16) 75%



I want to learn how we can have more trees in our neighborhood. (12/16) 75%



I want to learn about environmental justice. (8/16) 50%



A friend invited me. (4/16) 25%



I want to learn how the city is working to address lack of shade and tree issues. (11/16) 69%



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**Sanford, Jesse M.**

11:07 PM

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Greetings - how do we reckon with the fact that some existing urban tree canopy does not include native species? I am working with a neighborhood group to preserve significant existing tree canopy (including hundreds of mature bluegum eucalyptus and pine trees) that is currently planned to be demolished. The developers keep touting that they will plant a higher ratio of native species plantlings, but since the benefits of trees are correlated to tree size and age (as Lynette presented), won't the benefits (shade and cooling power, air filtration, etc.) take years (which we don't have due to climate change) to be fully realized? In cases like these, what are all of your thoughts on fighting to preserve existing tree canopy?

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**Marcos Trinidad**

11:13 PM

Hi Jesse, Happy to talk about this in detail.

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What are the unique benefits of California Live Oaks? I'm sorry if this has already been covered; my child just went to bed so this is the earliest I could jump on. On Poppy Peak we have 44 protected oaks, from less than 4" to 156" with an average of 45" in circumference. These are now threatened by development. What's the best path to protecting them?

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**ES** **Emily Spokes** 10:39 PM

I'll be sure to address this Q toward the end if you can hang tight so our experts can answer your wonderful question. :) If not, we can put you in touch after with both Lynette and Marcos.

**ES** **Emily Spokes** 11:26 PM

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**Dave Kaminski** 11:09 PM

I wanted to also support the point about native trees: oaks, sycamores, etc. Of course (almost!) any tree is better than no tree, but natives are by far the best since they support the native ecosystem--birds, insects, even lichens and fungi. I've seen a number of newly planted non-native trees in the neighborhood on public property and I wonder why not natives.

Answer live

Type answer

**Clara Solis**

11:14 PM

✕ Dismiss

What is happening with the money that developers pay when they cut down trees but don't have enough land to replace the trees that they cut down. Should the City raise these fees to provide more money for our trees.

Answer live

Type answer