



City of Albuquerque

Department of Municipal Development



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Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC) Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 10, 2025 | 4:00 – 6:00 PM

- **Call to order**
 - The Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee meeting of November 10, 2025, was called to order by Chair Applegate at 4:05 pm.
- **Introductions**
 - **Committee Members Present**
 - Alex Applegate, Chair & Member Representing ABQ NW Quadrant
 - Luciana Roça, Vice Chair & Member Representing ABQ SE Quadrant
 - Adrian Carver, Member Representing ABQ SW Quadrant & Environmental Planning Commission
 - Naomi George, Member Representing Individuals with a Disability
 - Frank Horine, Member Representing Older Adults, Over 60
 - Sebastian Bentley, Member Representing Youth, Under 24
 - **Committee Members Absent**
 - *none*
 - **Staff Members Present**
 - Jessica Sapunar-Jursich (CABQ Department of Municipal Development)
 - Matthew Cox (CABQ Council Services)
 - Agnes Vallejos (CABQ Department of Senior Affairs)
 - Vicente Quevado (CABQ Planning Department)
 - Albert Lee (CABQ Office of Sustainability)
 - Tara Cok (Mid-Region Council of Governments)
 - Julie Luna (Bernalillo County)
 - **Visitors Present**
 - Matthew Lynch
 - Joseph Moriarty
 - Scott Quakkelaar
 - Peter Rice (Downtown ABQ News)
- **Review and Approval of November 11, 2025 Meeting Agenda**
 1. **Motion:** Vice Chair Roça moved to approve the November 11, 2025 meeting agenda
 2. **Second:** Member Bentley seconded
 3. **Vote:** Motion approved 6-0
Yes: 6 (Naomi George, Adrian Carver, Luciana Roça, Alex Applegate, Frank Horine, Sebastian Bentley)
No: 0
- **Review and Approval of September 8, 2025 Meeting Minutes**



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1. **Motion:** Member Carver moved to approve the September 8, 2025 meeting minutes
2. **Second:** Member Sebastian Bentley seconded
3. **Vote:** Motion approved 6-0
Yes: 6 (Naomi George, Adrian Carver, Luciana Roça, Alex Applegate, Frank Horine, Sebastian Bentley)
No: 0

○ **Public Comments**

- Emailed Comments: *None*
- In-meeting Comments: *None*

○ **Agenda Item #1**

- **Presentation:** *Community Planning Areas*—Vicente Quevado, Principal Planner, Planning Department, City of Albuquerque
 - The Urban Design and Development Division conducts two Community Planning Area (CPA) Assessment Reports each year. Reports are approved by the City's Environmental Planning Commission (EPC), Council's Land Use Zoning and Planning Committee (LUPZ), and City Council.
 - The CPA initiative comes out of the City's Comprehensive Plan (Comp Plan), which is the City's policy document and it is also referenced in the Integrative Development Ordinance (IDO), but the assessment reports are not a regulatory document.
 - The city is divided into 12 community planning areas along census tracts, not Council boundaries in order to consistently track by census data over time. The Assessment Reports take place on a five-year cycle.
 - Each community planning area has a staff planner assigned to it. And that planner stays informed and involved in the cpa beyond the assessment report.
 - After extensive equitable community engagement over a year's time, the assessment report recommends policies and actions that are representative of the community in that community planning area. There are four phases: assets and opportunities, special topics, focus groups, and final check back. And feedback is collected around the 10 Comp Plan elements: transportation, land use, housing, infrastructure, community identity, urban design, economic development, parks & open spaces, heritage conservation, resilience & sustainability, and community facilities & services.
 - Comp Plan Link: <https://www.cabq.gov/planning/plans-publications/abc-comprehensive-plan>
 - CPA Update Sign up Link: <https://cabq.us18.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=57590ee48a0d248f7f0fb64f6&id=19e883db4e>

○ **Agenda Item #2**

- **Presentation:** *MRMPO Annual Bike Survey and 2025 Results* – Tara Cok, Transportation Planner, Mid-Region Metropolitan Planning Organization/Mid-Region Council of Government
 - Purpose of the survey is to take the opportunity to gather useful information and feedback from the community, especially from the bicycle community, on bicycle conditions, in the



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area, as well as timely questions. The survey also collects feedback related to the City's Bike to Work Day event.

- The survey has been taking place since at least 2016. (see attached presentation for survey results)
- Discussion about the importance of, and interest in, reaching a more representative sample of the Albuquerque community with the survey.

○ **Public Comment on Agenda Item #3**

- None

○ **Agenda Item #3**

- **Action:** Resolution No: 1-2025, *A Resolution Adopting Open Meetings Policy and Meeting Schedule for 2026*. Vote to adopt Resolution No. 1-2025.
 1. **Motion:** Member Carver moved to adopt Resolution No: 1-2025, *A Resolution Adopting Open Meetings Policy and Meeting Schedule for 2026*
 2. **Second:** Member Bentley seconded
 3. **Vote:** Motion approved 6-0
Yes: 6 (Naomi George, Adrian Carver, Luciana Roça, Alex Applegate, Frank Horine, Sebastian Bentley)
No: 0

○ **Staff Reports**

- CABQ Department of Municipal Development
 - Leila Murrieta, Member Seat Representing Bicyclists has resigned from her appointment.
 - Last week two new Mayor-appointed GAATC members received consent from City Counsel. They need to complete several documents and trainings and will begin their appointments beginning with the December 8th meeting.
 - Joseph Moriarty, Member Seat Representing Pedestrian and Transit Users
 - Scott Quakkelaar, Member Seat Representing Bicyclists
- CABQ Office of Sustainability
 - Comprehensive Regional Climate Action Plan, additional comment from last week's presentation: If we look at the big picture, the whole life cycle of EV, and the co-benefits of transitioning to more active transportation modes, immediate greenhouse gas emissions from EV transition, while it is absolutely necessary, it's not sufficient to get us to our ultimate goals of not only reducing carbon emissions, nor the benefits of safety and public health.

○ **Member Comment: Naomi George**

- Alec Montoya, one of our staff nurses in the pediatric emergency department at UNM, was killed last month when a motor vehicle crashed into him crossing the street on the way to work, where I worked with him in the UNM Pediatric Emergency Department. It's a terrible loss, just as every pedestrian fatality is a terrible loss.



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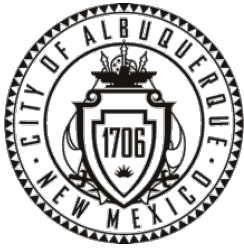
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- **General Public Comment**
 - *None*
- **Next Meeting:** December 8, 2025, 4 – 6 pm
- **Adjourn 5:46 pm**



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GREATER ALBUQUERQUE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (GAATC)

Resolution

No: 1-2025

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING OPEN MEETINGS POLICY AND MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2026

WHEREAS, the Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee hereby adopts the following Open Meetings Policy for all its meetings:

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1(B) of the Open Meetings Act (NMSA 1978, Sections 10-15-1 to -4) states that, except as may be otherwise provided in the Constitution or the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, all meetings of a quorum of members of any board, council, commission, administrative adjudicatory body or other policymaking body of any state or local public agency held for the purpose of formulating public policy, discussing public business or for the purpose of taking any action within the authority of or the delegated authority of such body, are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times; and

WHEREAS, any meetings subject to the Open Meetings Act at which the discussion or adoption of any proposed resolution, rule, regulation, or formal action occurs shall be held only after reasonable notice to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC) annually approves and posts the next calendar year's meeting schedule in advance of the new year so that this information is available to the public; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1(D) of the Open Meetings Act requires the Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee to determine annually what constitutes reasonable notice of its public meetings:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee ("GAATC") Practices that:

1. Location of the Meetings: All GAATC meetings shall be held online via Zoom.
2. Regular Meeting: GAATC will conduct regular monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month except the October meeting, which will be the third Monday of the month. The following are GAATC's 2026 meeting dates:
 - January 12, 2026
 - February 9, 2026
 - March 9, 2026
 - April 13, 2026
 - May 11, 2026
 - June 8, 2026
 - July 13, 2026
 - August 10, 2026
 - September 14, 2026
 - October 19, 2026 (moved one week for Indigenous Peoples' Day on October 12, 2026)
 - November 9, 2026
 - December 14, 2026

The meetings shall begin at 4:00 p.m. and not exceed 6:00 p.m.

The agenda will be available at least 72 hours before the meeting from the Department of Municipal Development (DMD), whose office is in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The agenda will also be posted on the monitors at City Hall and on the DMD's website at <https://www.cabq.gov/municipaldevelopment/our-department/engineering/greater-albuquerque-active-transportation-committee>. Copies of the written notice shall also be mailed or emailed to those broadcast stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and newspapers of general circulation that have made a written request for notice of public meetings.

3. Notice of regular meetings other than those described in Paragraph 2 will be given ten days in advance of the meeting date. The notice will include a copy of the agenda or information on how to obtain a copy of the agenda. If not included in the notice, the agenda will be available at least seventy-two hours before the meeting and posted on monitors at City Hall and on DMD's website at: <https://www.cabq.gov/municipaldevelopment/our-department/engineering/greater-albuquerque-active-transportation-committee>. Copies of the written notice shall also be mailed or emailed to those broadcast stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and newspapers of general circulation that have made a written request for notice of public meetings.
4. In addition to the information specified above, all notices shall include the following language:
The City of Albuquerque ensures meaningful access to City programs, services, and activities to comply with Civil Rights Title VI and ADA Title II laws and reasonably provides: translation, interpretation, modifications, accommodations, alternative formats, auxiliary aids, and services. To request these services, contact Jessica Sapunar-Jursich, Sr. Transportation Planner, at 505-924-3947 or jessica@cabq.gov at least one week in advance or as soon as possible.
5. Cancellations: Meetings may be canceled by the Chair or Vice Chair if there is no pending business, no less than three (3) business days before the scheduled meeting. If a meeting is cancelled, DMD will post the cancellation notice on the monitors at City Hall and on DMD's website at <https://www.cabq.gov/municipaldevelopment/our-department/engineering/greater-albuquerque-active-transportation-committee>.
The Chair or Vice Chair may also cancel the meeting if there is no quorum or due to unforeseen circumstances that demand a meeting cancellation. If there is no quorum, the Chair, Vice Chair, or committee members may choose to continue to have an unofficial meeting in which no committee action can be taken.

Passed by the Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC) this 10th day of November, 2025

POSTED AT CITY HALL AND ONLINE

CITY OF ABQ BIKE TO WORK DAY SURVEY RESULTS OVER THE YEARS



Tara Cok, MRMPO/MRCOG
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11.10.25

Purpose

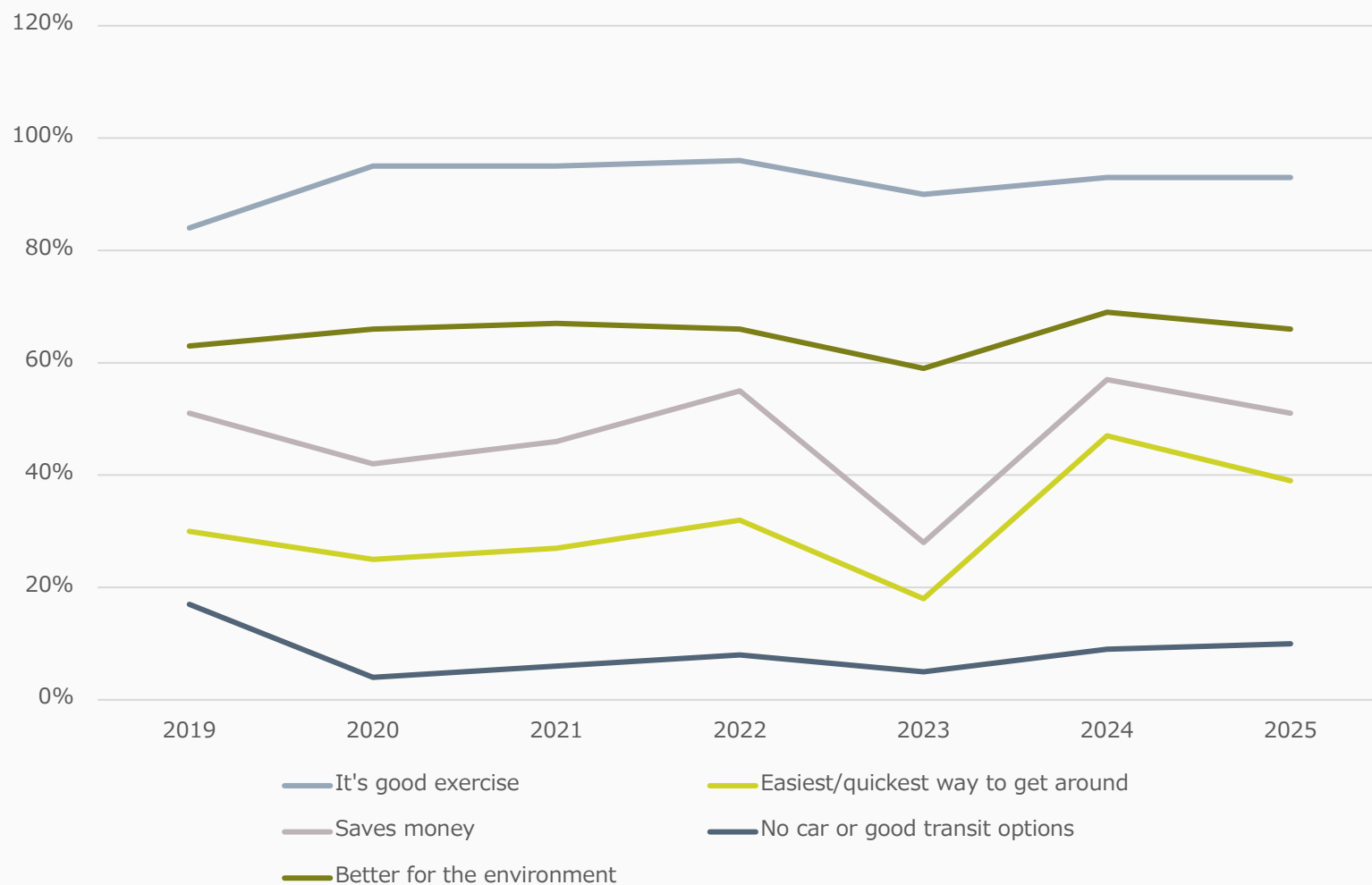
To take the opportunity to gather useful feedback from the community, especially the bicycle community, on bicycling conditions in the area as well as specific timely questions and the Bike to Work Day event.

MRCOG HAS BEEN HELPING WITH THE SURVEY SINCE 2016. THERE HAVE BEEN VARIED LEVELS OF PARTICIPATION, FORMATS, AND EVENT NAMES

Year	Number of Responses	Women	Men	Event Name
2016	136	42%	52%	Bike to Work Day
2017	822	33%	65%	Bike to Work Day
2018	978	33%	66%	Bike to Work Day
2019	1012	32%	67%	Bike to Work Day
2020	895	53%	44%	Bike Thru Burque Week (October)
2021	307	53%	46%	Bike to Wherever Day
2022	489	43%	53%	Bike to Wherever Day
2023	581	39%	54%	Bike to Wherever Day
2024	154	34%	62%	Bike to Wherever Day
2025	191	34%	58%	Bike to Work Day

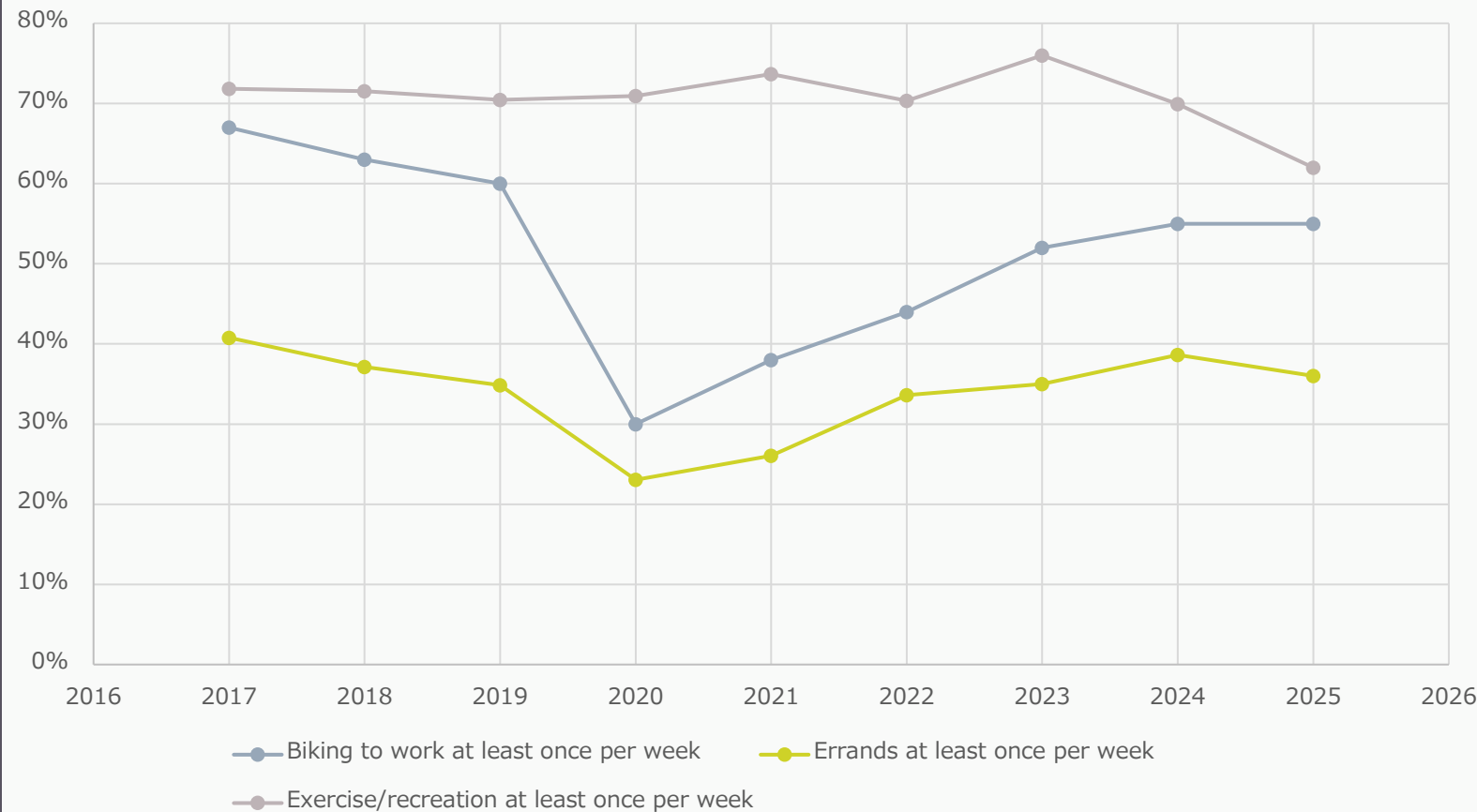
EXERCISE REPORTED AS MAIN MOTIVATION FOR RIDING A BIKE

Why do you Use your Bicycle for Trips? (mark all that apply)



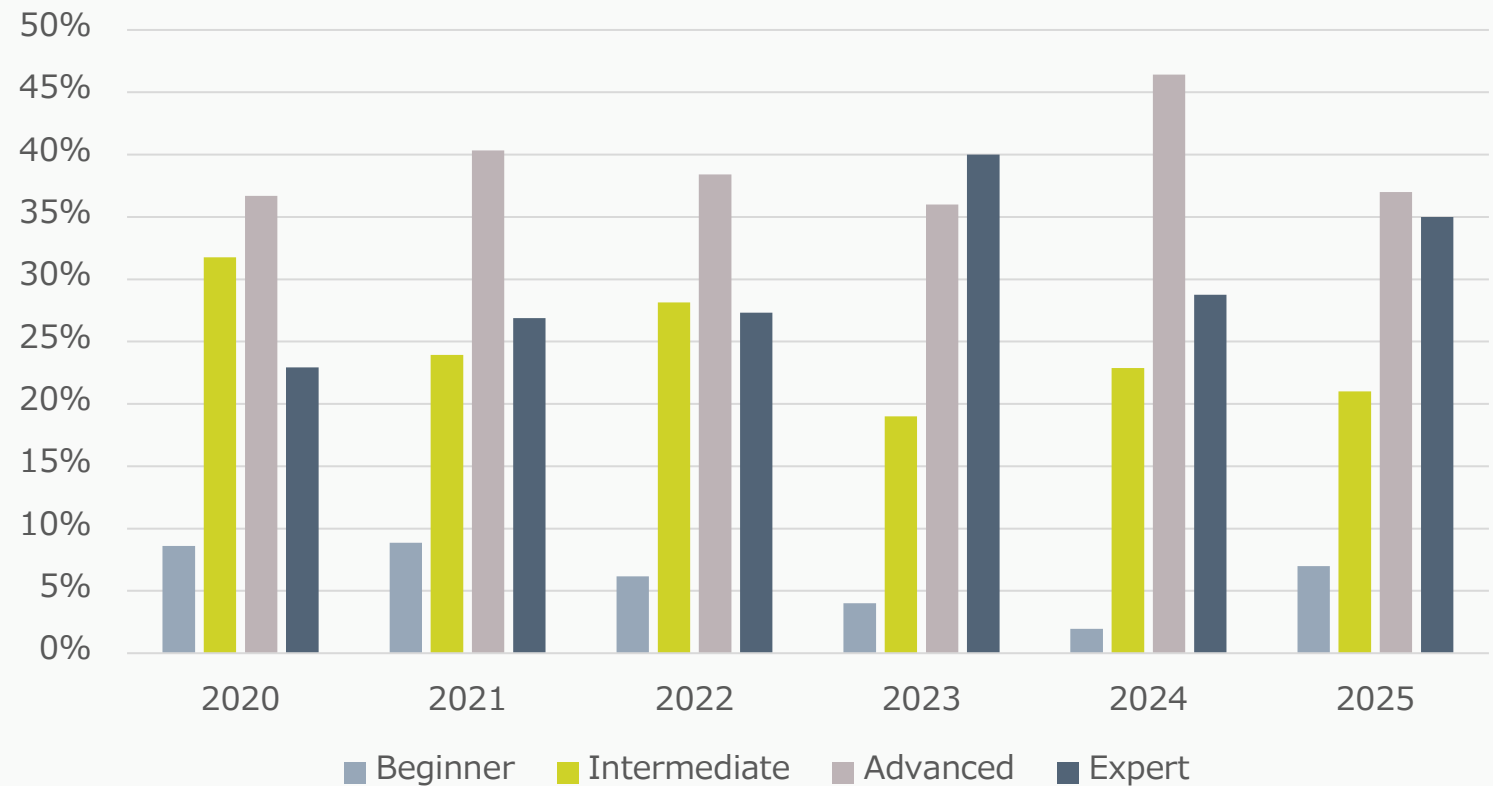
MORE
PARTICIPANTS
REPORT RIDING
BIKES FOR
EXERCISE/
RECREATION
ONCE PER WEEK
THAN FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

How often do you Bicycle for these Trip Purposes?



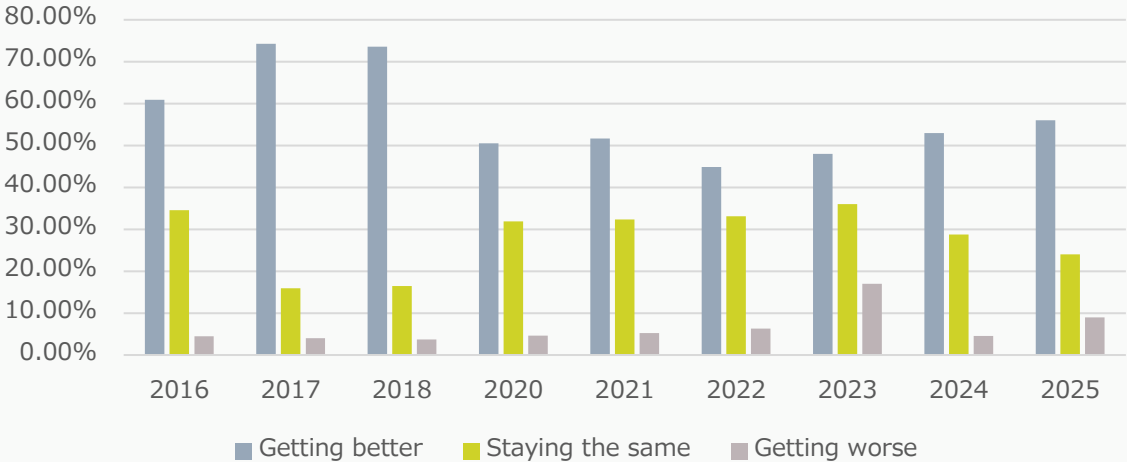
PERCENTAGE OF
BEGINNER
BICYCLISTS HAS
BEEN RELATIVELY
LOW OVER THE
YEARS

How would you Describe your Experience as a
Bicycle Rider?

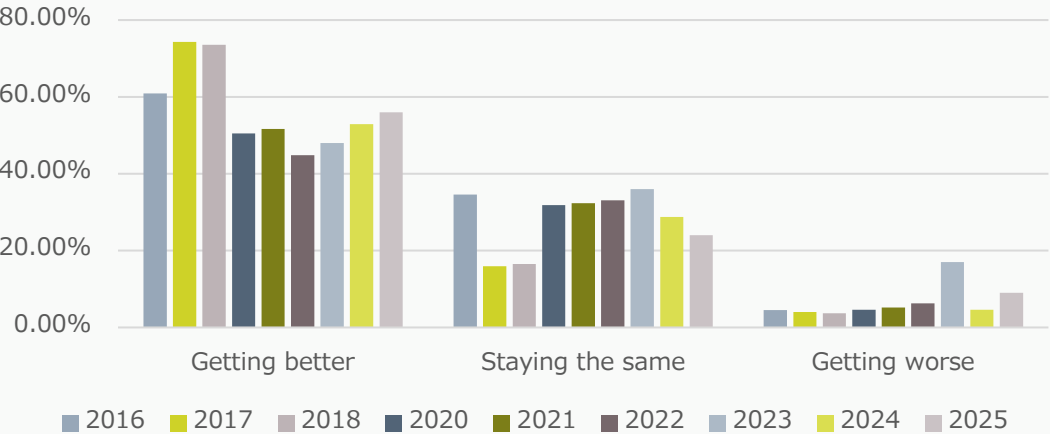


OVERALL,
THROUGHOUT
THE YEARS,
PEOPLE FEEL
BICYCLING
CONDITIONS ARE
GETTING BETTER

Is Bicycling Getting Better, Staying the same, or
Getting Worse?

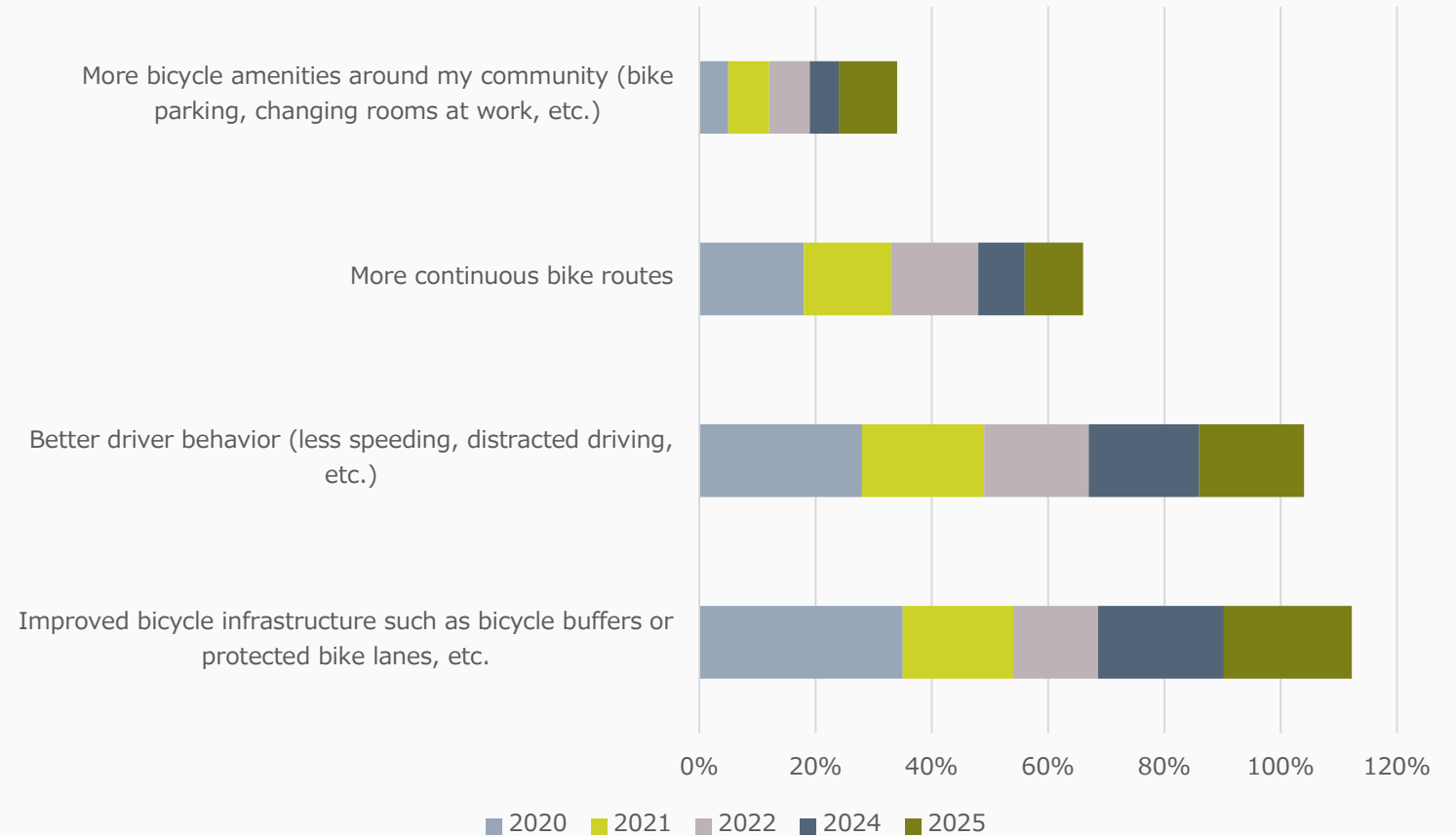


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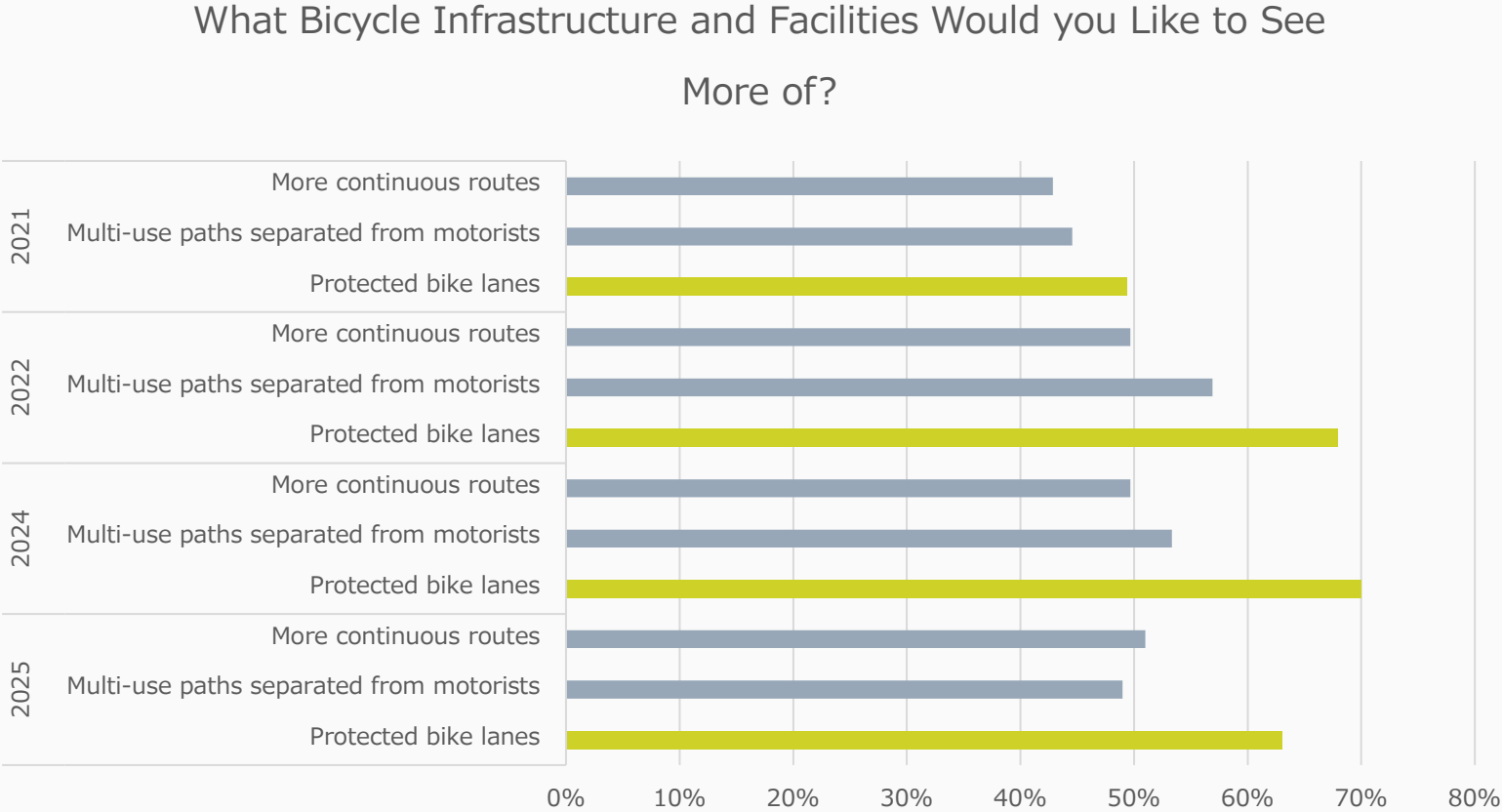


MAIN MOTIVATOR TO BIKE MORE WOULD BE IMPROVED INFRASTRUCTURE

What would Cause you to Increase your Bicycling?

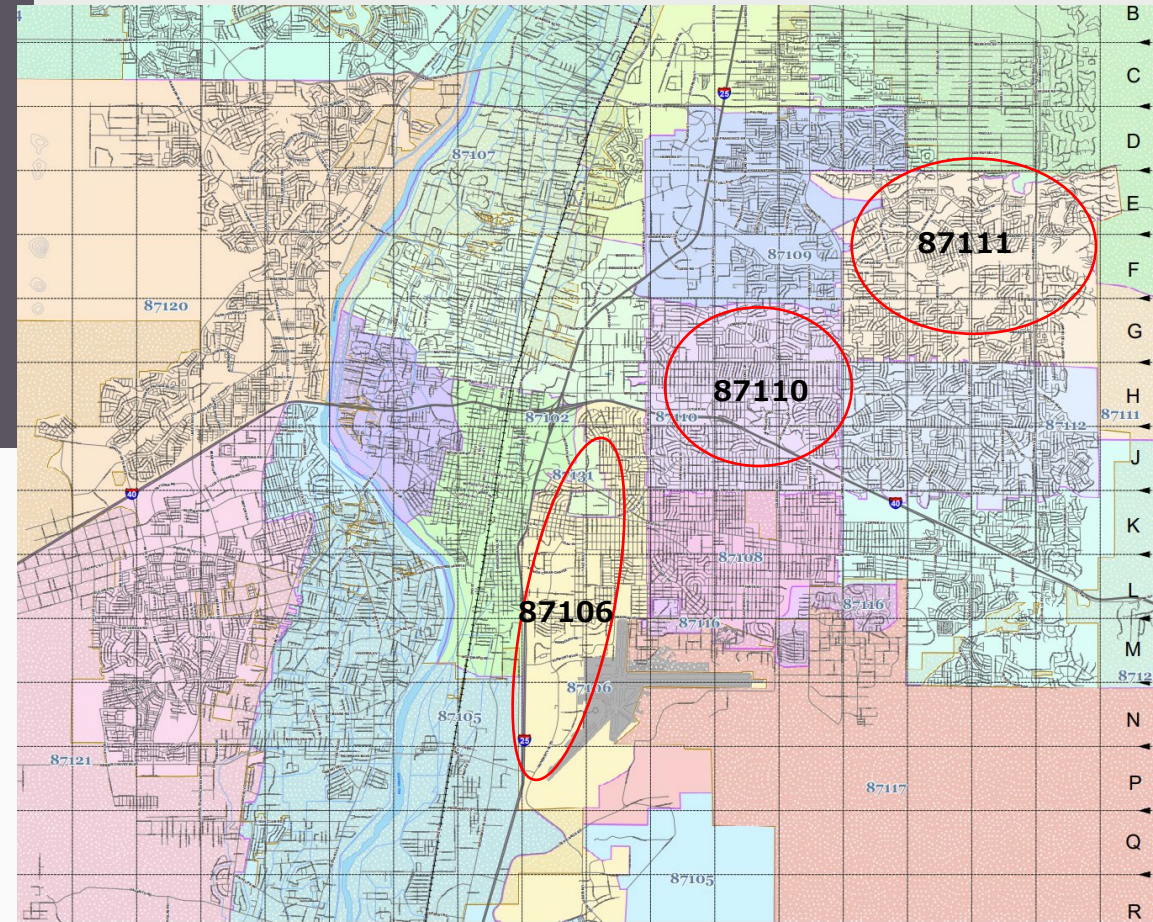


PROTECTED BIKE
LANES WERE THE
TOP TYPE OF
INFRASTRUCTURE/
FACILITY PEOPLE
WOULD LIKE TO SEE
MORE OF 4 YEARS
IN A ROW



OTHER 2025 BIKE TO WORK DAY RESULTS

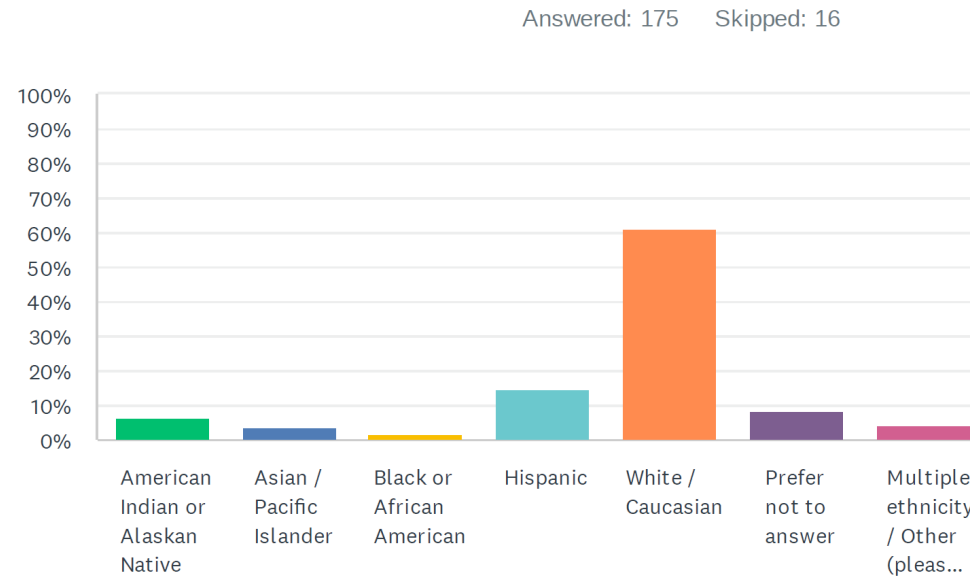
- People who report primarily using an electric bike was 18%.
- People in their 40s participated in the largest numbers.
- Albuquerque zip codes 87106, 87110, and 87111 had the most participants.



OTHER 2025 BIKE TO WORK DAY RESULTS

- People who describe themselves as White/Caucasian participated at the highest levels compared to other races/ethnicities.

Q15 Which race/ethnicity best describes you? (Please choose only one.)



- As with previous years, the event attracts the most people with approximate household incomes of \$100,000 or more.



2025 BIKE TO WORK DAY RESULTS

Most participants learned about the event from the City website (33%).

Nearly half of survey participants (49%) reported that they participated in more events than just Bike to Work Day compared to 35% of those who reported only participating in Bike to Work Day, indicating that Bike Month was successful at getting increased participation in bicycling.

2025 BIKE TO WORK DAY SUMMARY THOUGHTS



Event planners may want to strategize on how to get more survey participants, and more importantly, how to attract more diverse participation.



Listen to what the survey participants are telling us: bicycling alongside vehicles does not feel safe and physical separation from vehicles is desired.



It would be good to offer another survey targeted to gathering opinions from those who bicycle primarily for transportation purposes and because of their lack of other transportation options.



Full 2025 Bike to Work Day results and a summary report can be found on the MRCOG website:

<https://www.mrcog-nm.gov/568/Bicycle-and-Pedestrian-Analysis-and-Repo>



Questions? Thoughts?
Comments?

THANK YOU!