

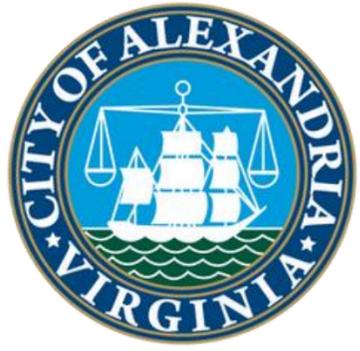
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Commission

March 18, 2025
7 P.M.





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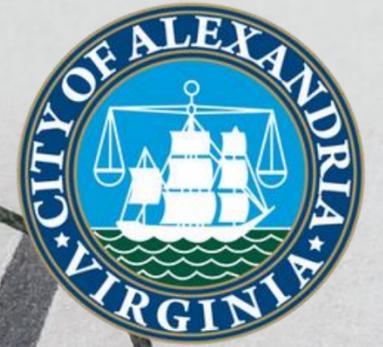
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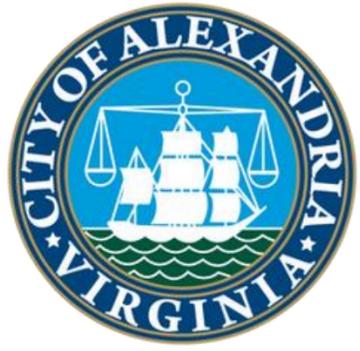
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Public Comment Period



Agenda Item 1





Public Comment

- ▶ **For Speakers not discussing items related to public hearings.**
- ▶ **For virtual attendees:**
 - ▶ Raise hand or press *9
 - ▶ Mute or unmute press *6
 - ▶ 3 minutes per speaker

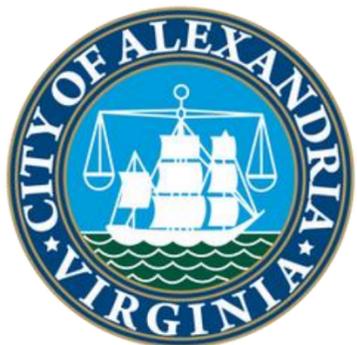
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Agenda Item 2



Action Item: Proposed City FY 2027 Operating Budget and FY 2027-2036 Capital Improvement Program

Agenda Item 3





Budget Timeline

- **Feb 24 - City Manager presented proposed FY 2027 budget to Council**
- **April 18 - City Council tax rate public hearing**
- **April 21 - City Council preliminary add/delete public hearing**
- **April 27 - City Council final add/delete (if necessary)**
- **April 29 - Budget adoption**

Proposed Budget

- **Operating Budget FY27: \$977.3 mil**
- **10- year CIP Budget FY27-36: \$2.01 billion**

Transportation Investments- Operating and CIP Highlights

DASH funding
increases
~\$971,000

WMATA Ops
funding
increased
\$65.9 M to \$71.9

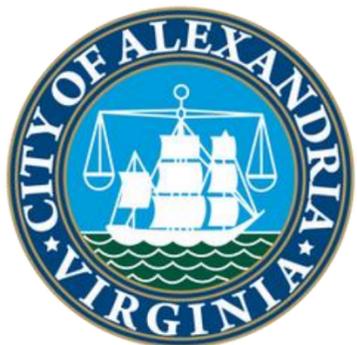
\$14.5 M
Complete
Streets

\$8.4 M
SRTS

\$8.7 M
Sidewalk
Maintenance

\$192.6 M
WMATA Capital

Agenda Item 3



Transportation Investments- CIP Highlights

\$67.2 M - Street Reconstruction and Resurfacing

Eliminated Vacant Principal Planner Position

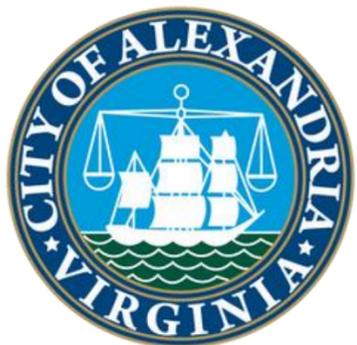
\$3.8 M
Transit Access and Amenities

\$4.0 M
Electric bus charging

\$126 M
DASH Fleet Expansion and Electrification

\$16.7 M
Smart Mobility

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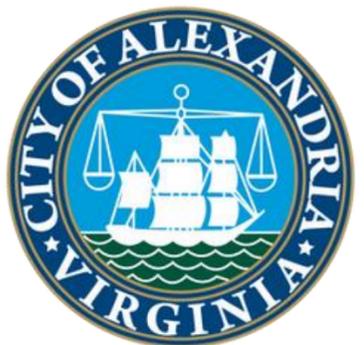
Next Steps

- **Commission provides feedback**
- **Prepare budget feedback letter for City Council**
 - **April TC Meeting**
 - **Provide to Council Before Preliminary add/delete work session (April 21)**



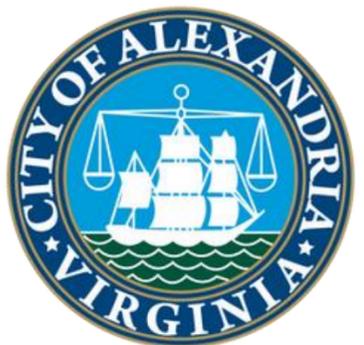
Initial Feedback?

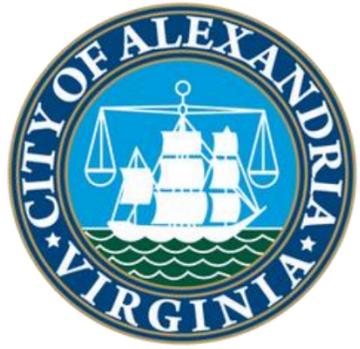
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Discussion Item: AlexMoves Survey Results

Agenda Item 4





Methods

4,500 households

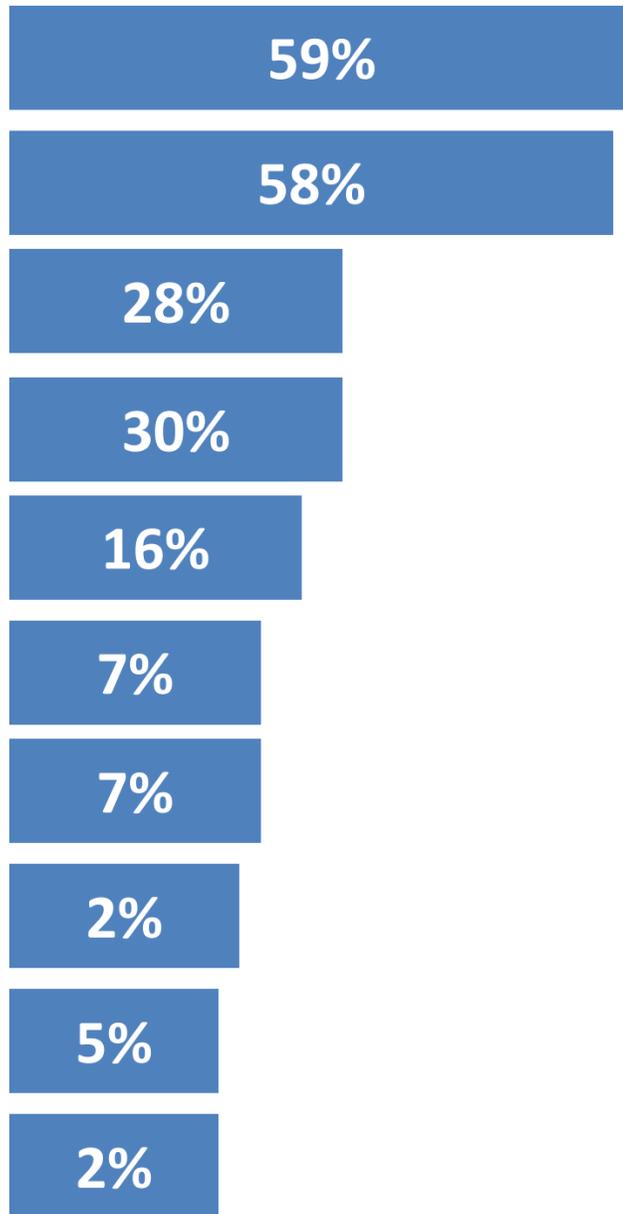
617 completed surveys (14%)

4% Margin of Error

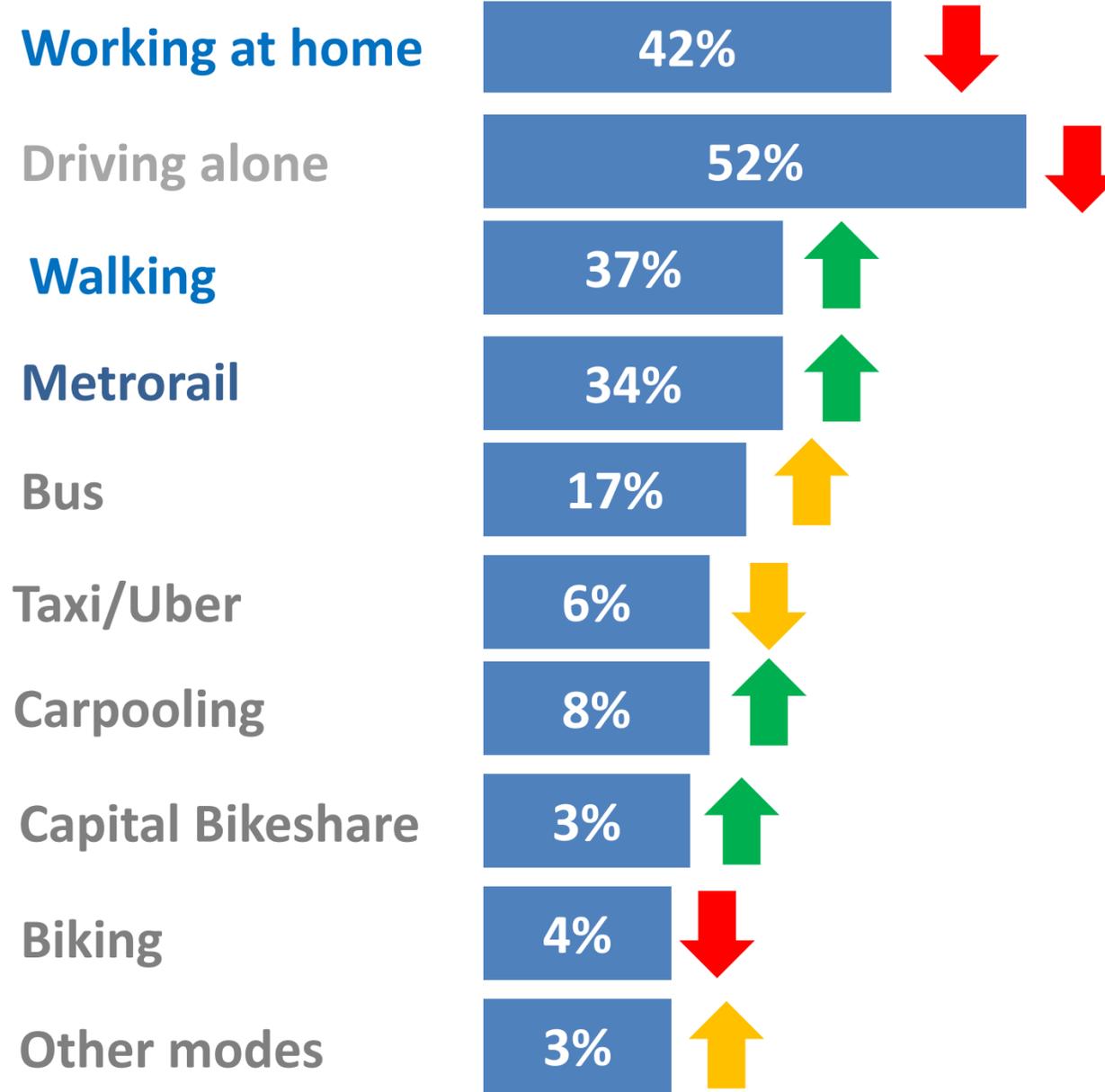
Results weighted

Work Commute (Min. 1 Day/Wk)

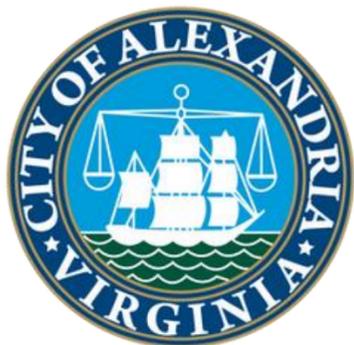
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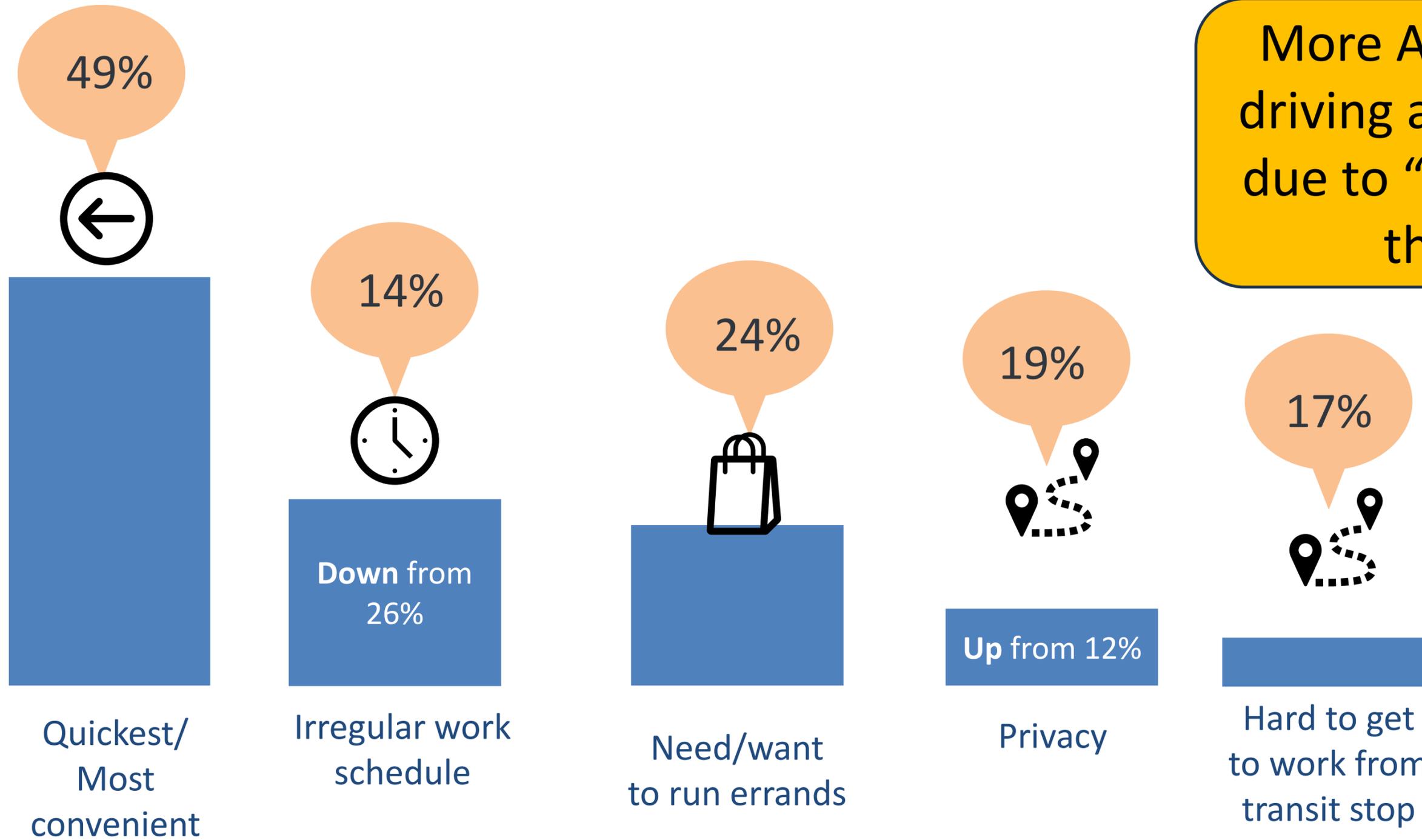
2025



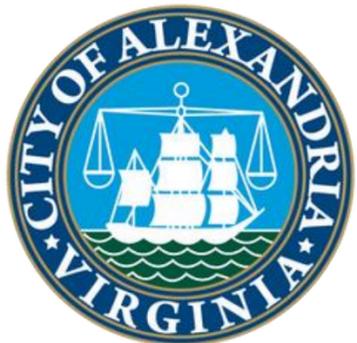
Work from home **decreased sharply** since 2023 – likely due to return to work/hybrid policies



Main Reasons for Driving to Work in 2025



More Alexandrians favor driving alone other modes due to “**Privacy**” concerns than last year



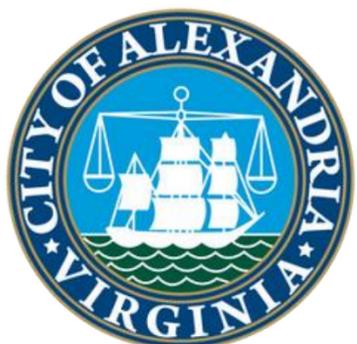
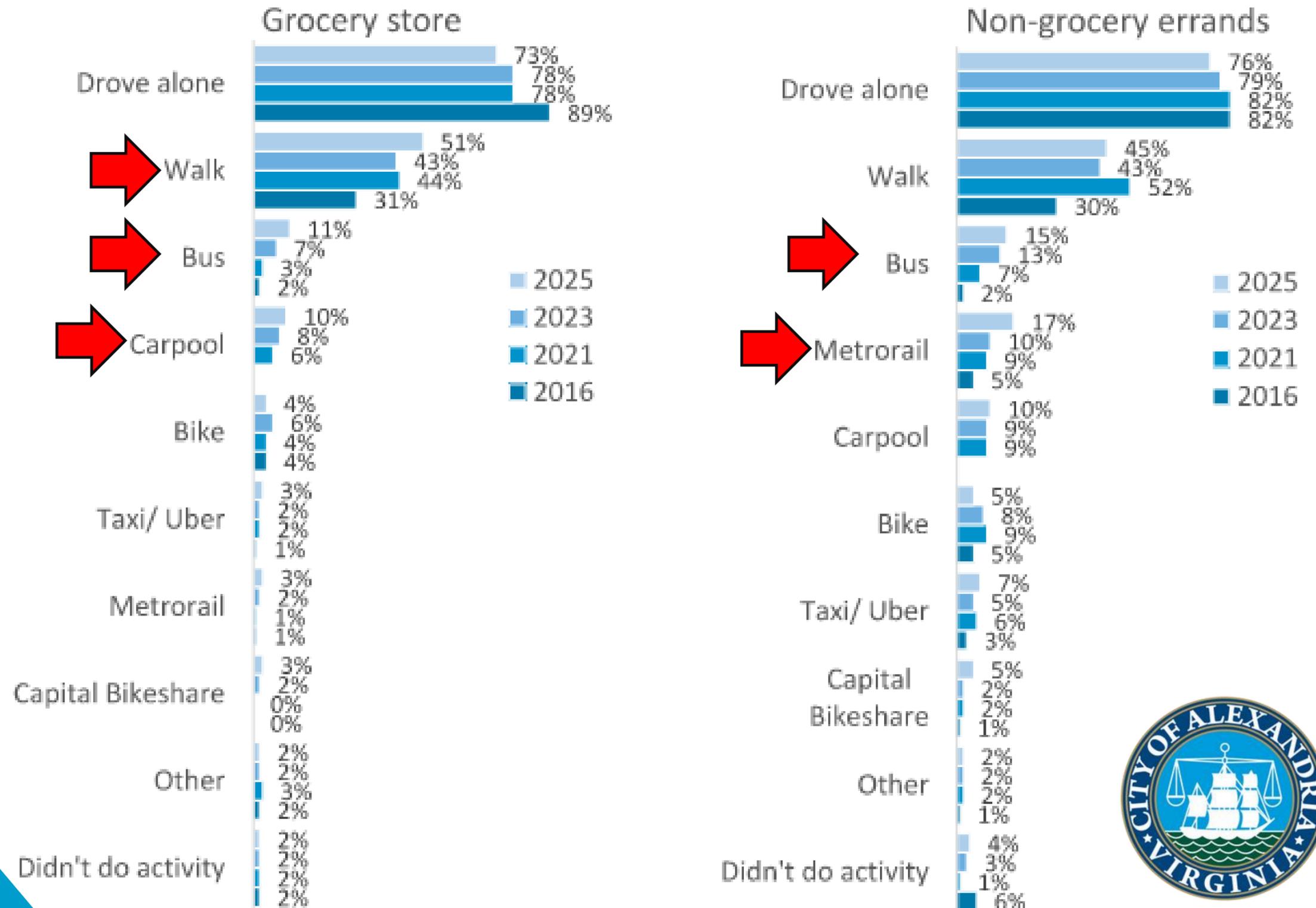
Non-Commute Mode Choices

More Alexandrians are **carpooling, walking, and taking the bus** to the grocery store and beyond.

Figure 6: Transportation Modes Used for Various Activities

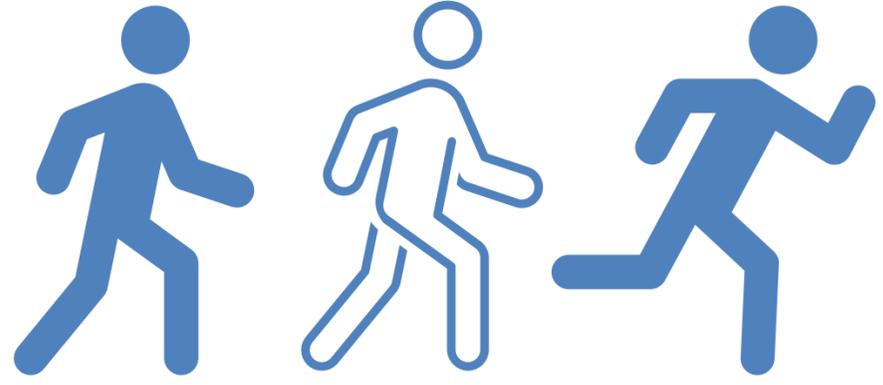
In the last month, please indicate which mode(s) you used to complete or participate in each of the following. (Please select all that apply.)

Percent of respondents reporting using each mode for each activity

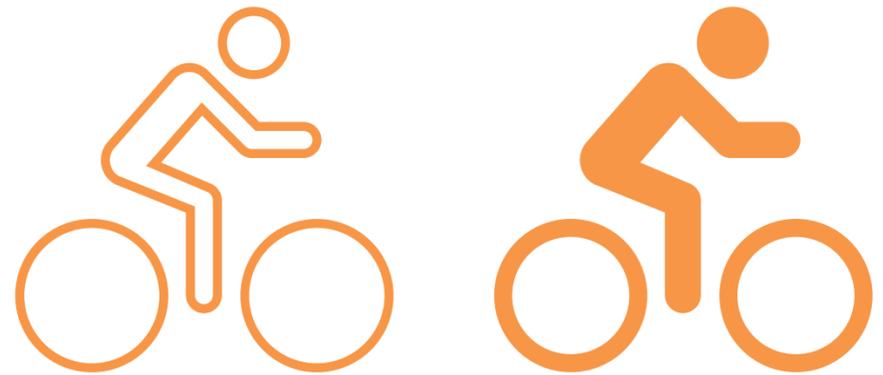


Active Transportation (Walking and Bicycling)

91%



Up from 89% in 2023



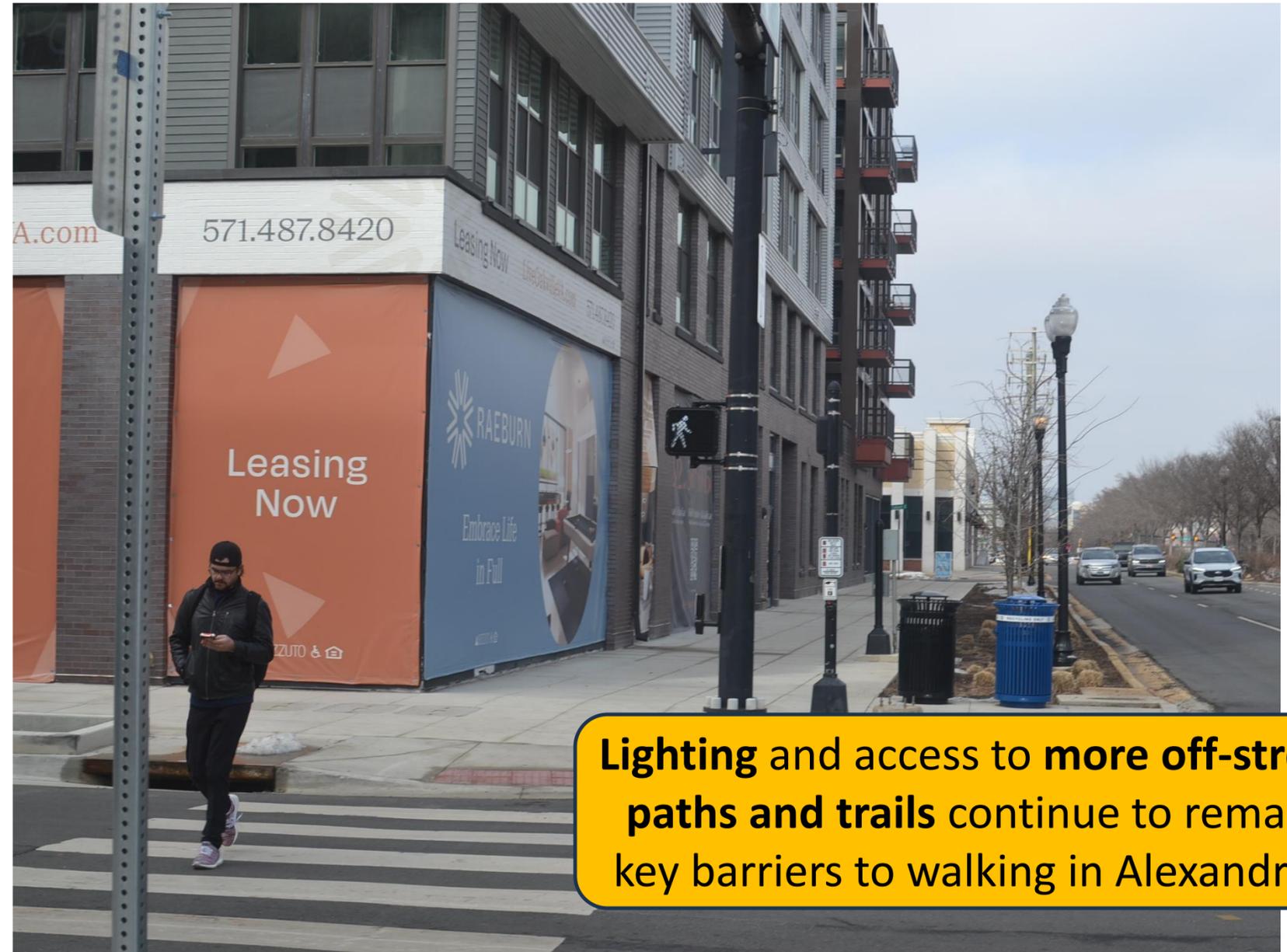
28%

Down from 35% in 2021/2023



Barriers to Walking/Biking/Public Transit

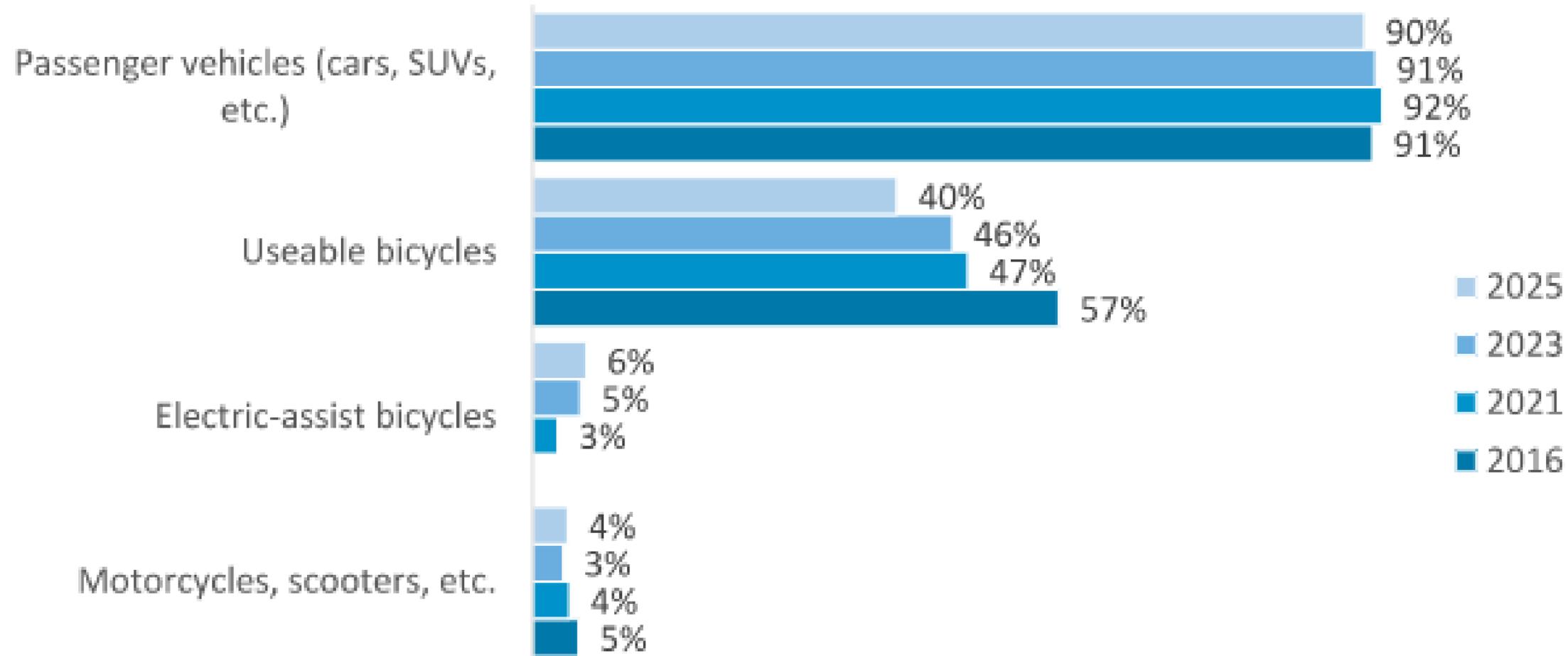
- Travel Time/Distance
- Directness of Routes
- Usefulness of Routes
- Frequency of Service
- Availability of Racks
- Safety from Traffic



Above: New ultra-wide streetscapes with pedestrian-scaled lighting along US-Route 1

Figure 16: Availability of Private Vehicles and Bicycles in the Household

How many of the following does your household have?
(Percent having one or more)



The number of people who own bicycles is steadily decreasing

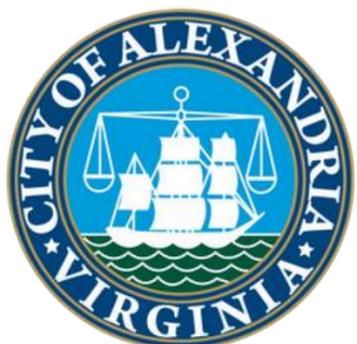


Figure 19: Percent of respondents who use Metrorail for at least some non-commute destination trips by respondent characteristics

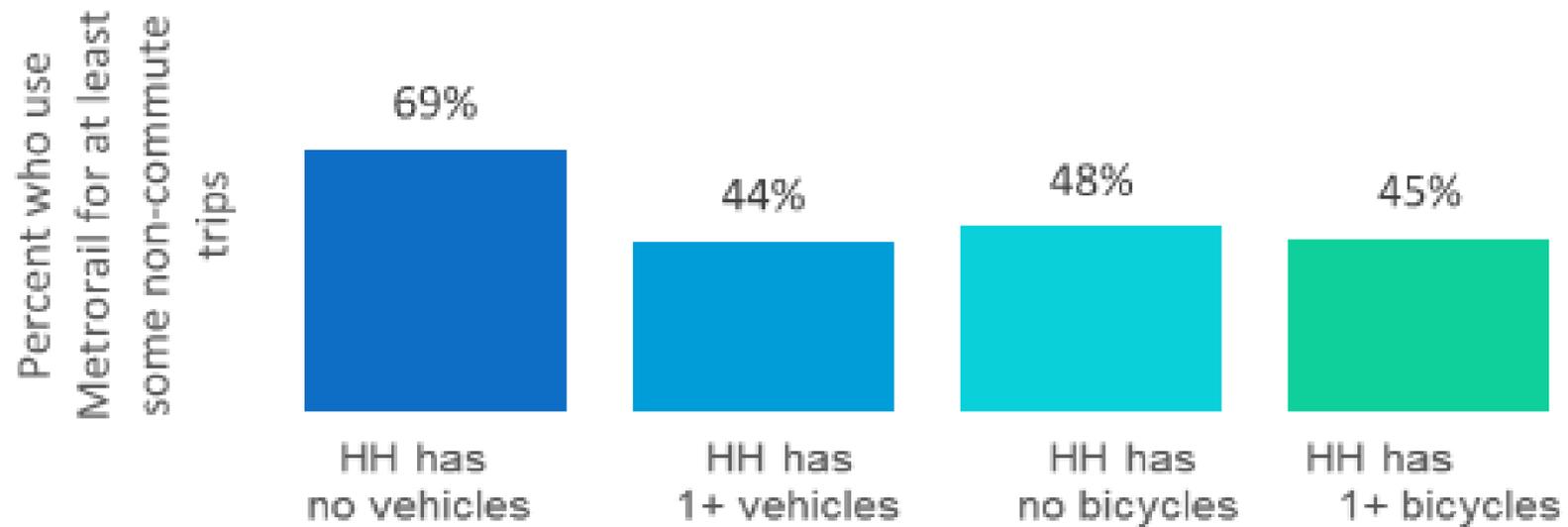
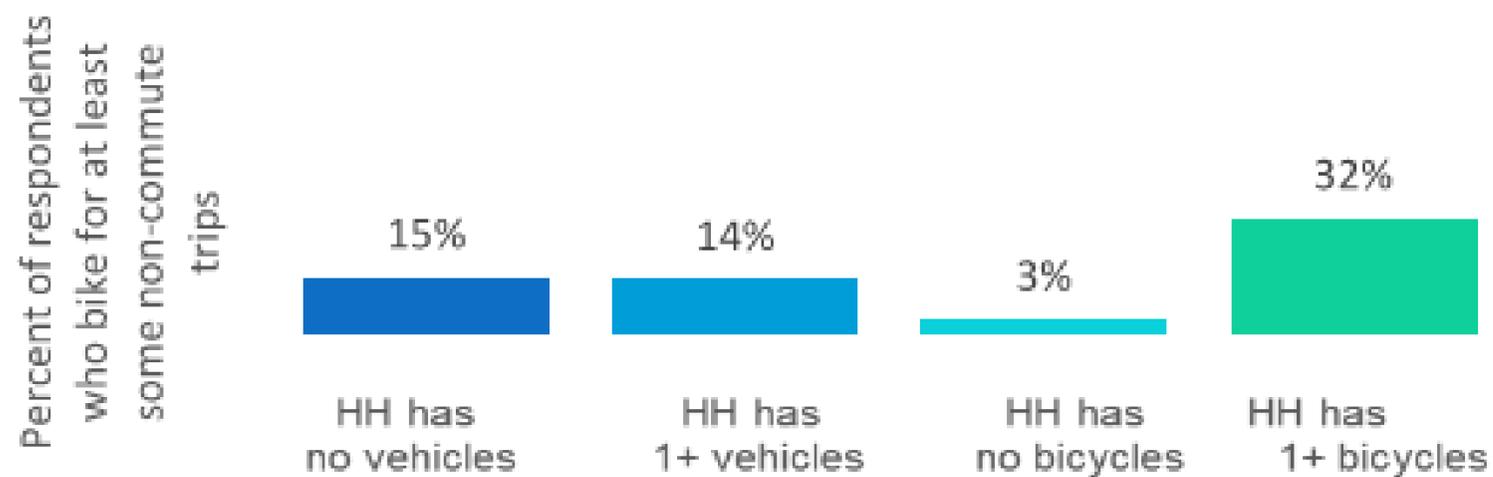


Figure 20: Percent of respondents who bike for at least some non-commute destination trips by respondent characteristics

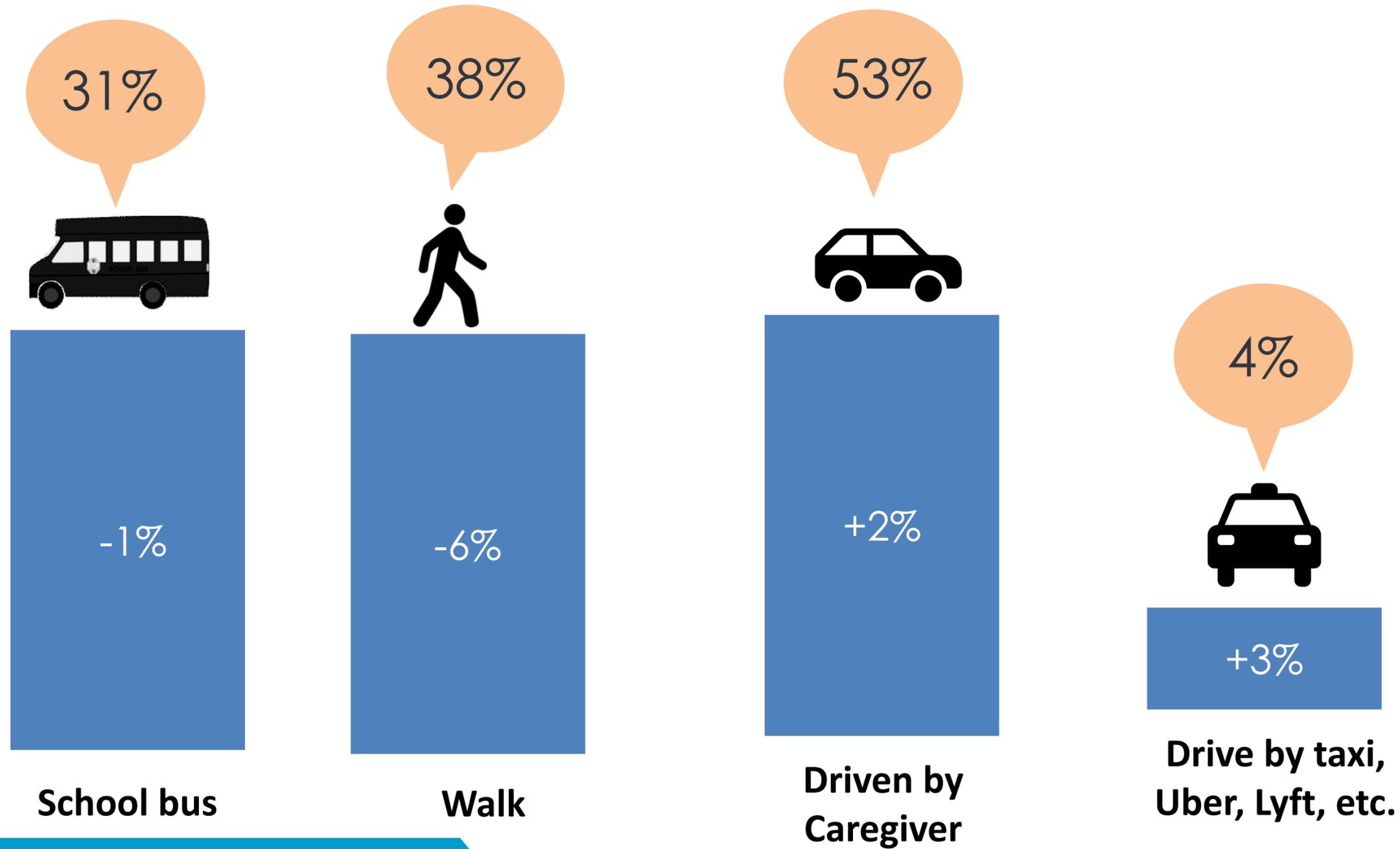


Metrorail usage is highest amongst **zero-car/zero-bike** households.

Households with **multiple bikes** use them most often for **non-commute trips**



Transportation to School



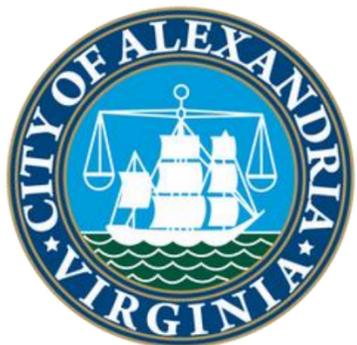
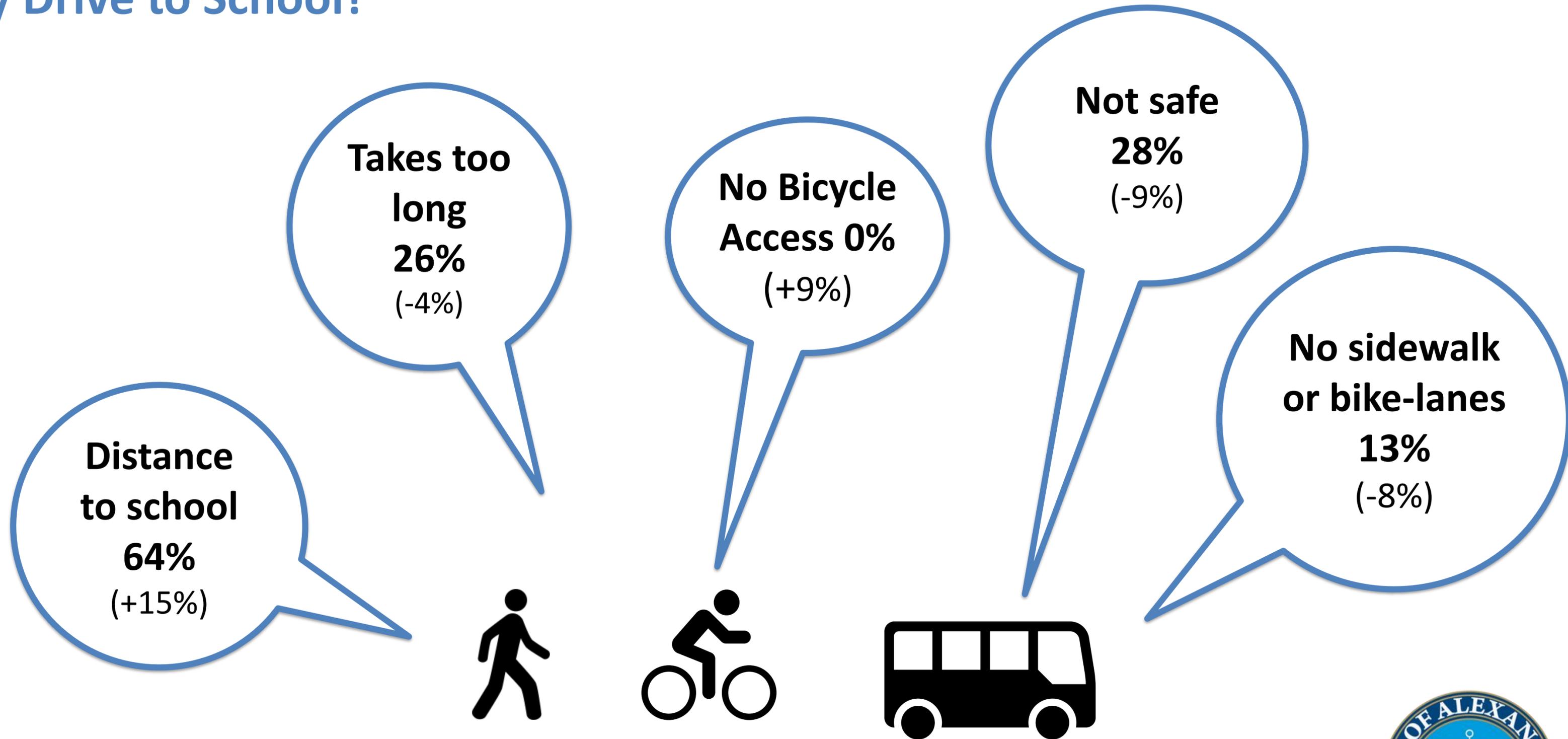
Fewer students are **walking to school** in 2025



Above: Sanger Avenue Safe Routes To School Improvements



Why Drive to School?



DASH Fare-less and GoAlex



Most residents know DASH is free, but **fewer** than 20% know about GoAlex

Figure 10: Awareness of Free DASH Bus Service
Did you know that all DASH buses in Alexandria are free to ride?

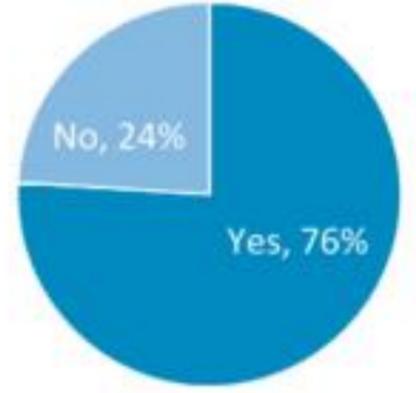
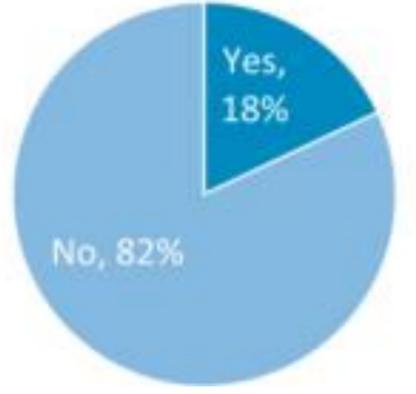
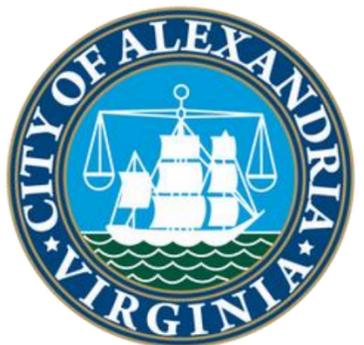


Figure 11: Awareness of GO Alex Program
Have you heard of GO Alex, the City's program that helps people find transportation options?



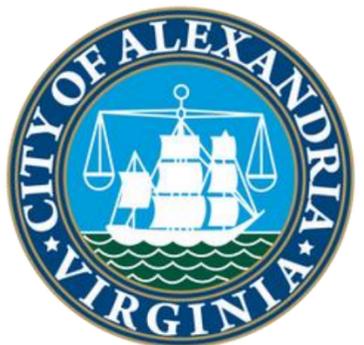
Questions and Comments

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Action Item: Annual Workplan and Calendar

Agenda Item 5



Transportation Commission											
Retreat											
Chair/Vice Chair Election											
Transportation Long-Range Plan											
Discussion Items/Update			AlexMoves	DASH Visit	Updated status on LRP projects						EVs
City Planning Studies											
Interdepartmental Long Range Work Plan											
Repaving Update											
Go Alex Strategic Plan											
Duke Street Land Use Plan											
Transportation Funding											
City Budget											
Go Alex FY26 Budget											
GO Alex FY 27 Budget and Work Plan											
NVTA 70% Funds											
SMART SCALE											
CMAQ/RSTP Grant											
Safe Streets for All											
DRPT Transit Assistance and CAP grants											
Low-No Emissions Bus Grant											
RAISE Grant											
Federal/State Grants (as needed)											
Transportation Alternatives Program											
VDOT Revenue Sharing Grant											
I-395 Commuter Choice Grant											
MWCOG Technical Assistance Grants											

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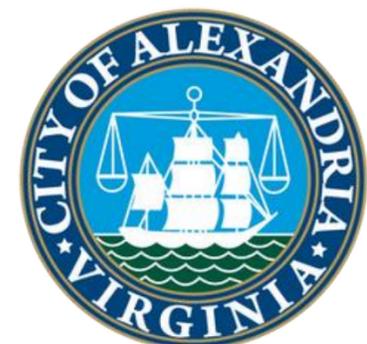
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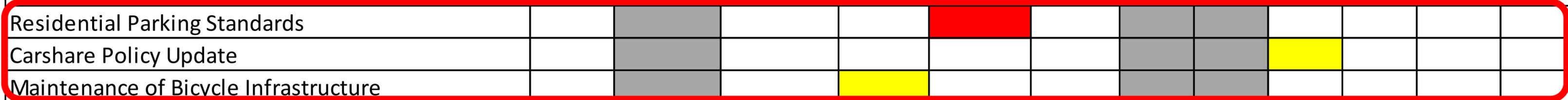
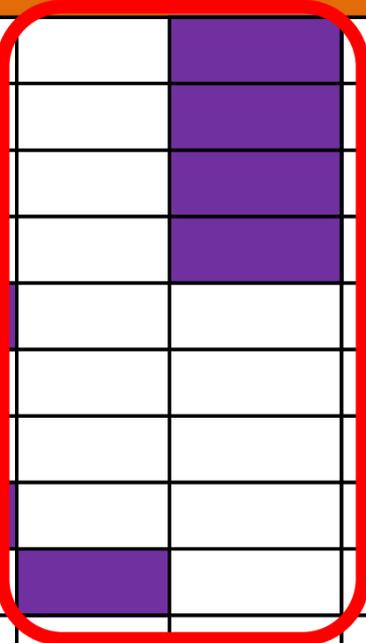
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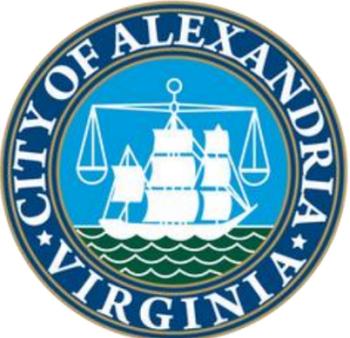
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		Canceled					BREAK	BREAK				
Transportation Programs												
Vision Zero Action Plan Implementation												
Complete Streets												
Safe Routes to School												
Trails												
Parking and Curbside Management												
Automated Enforcement Tools												
Capital Bikeshare and Micromobility Update												
Paratransit Program Update												
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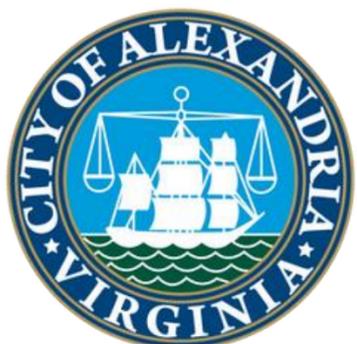


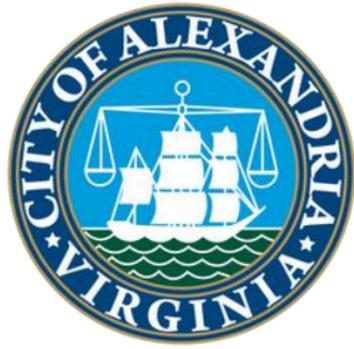
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2025 Calendar

- **January 21**
- **February 18**
- **March 18**
- **April 15**
- **May 20**
- **June 17**
- **July- NO Meeting**
- **August- NO Meeting**
- **September 16**
- **October 21**
- **November 18**
- **December 16**



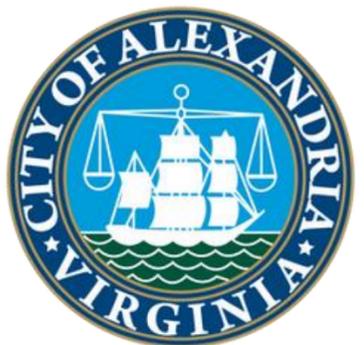


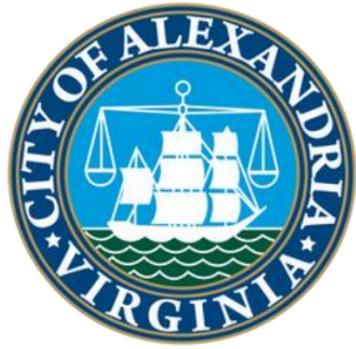
Recommendation

- **That the Transportation Commission approve the 2026 Work Plan and Calendar**

Commissioner Updates

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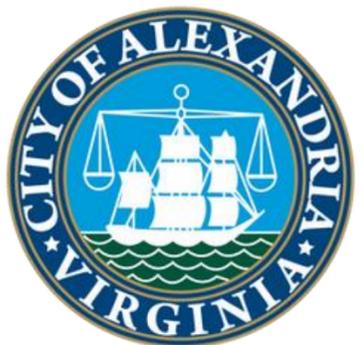


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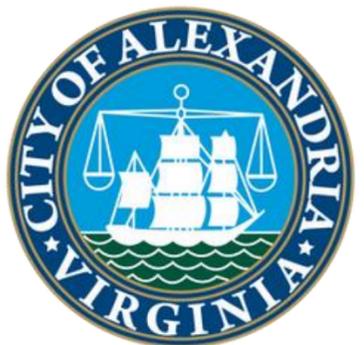
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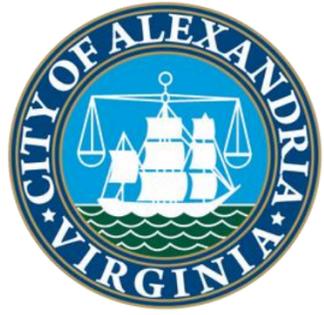
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Other Business

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Adjourn Transportation Commission Meeting

Next Meeting: April 15, 2026

