

Remembrance Wilson GATEWAYS Issues Survey

Purpose: Gather comments and generate ideas for the area around the vacant “D&W” site on Remembrance Road for the new master plan.

Geography: Please see the map below.



Topical References:

- 1) Road Diet Handbook – Overview. Jennifer A. Rosales, P.E.
http://www.oregonite.org/2007D6/paper_review/D4_201_Rosales_paper.pdf
- 2) Aging in Place: A State Survey of Livability. Policies and Practices. AARP – PPI and National Conference of State Legislatures.
<http://assets.aarp.org/rgcenter/ppi/liv-com/aging-in-place-2011-full.pdf>

Survey Questions and Feedback

- 1) The Fred Meijer Standale Trail has been constructed from Lake Michigan Drive to the City Hall complex. Extensions of the trail connect south to Millennium Park. The trail crosses Remembrance Road between Leonard Street and Kinney Avenue near a day care center. Have you walked or biked the trail? Do you think the trail could be an important non-motorized link between housing areas and commercial / service areas along Remembrance Road? If so, how and where? Note that there is another important road crossing of the trail along Leonard Street between Remembrance Road and Kinney Avenue.
- 2) Are traffic speeds too high on Remembrance Road? If so, why do you think this is the case?
- 3) Have you walked the sidewalk network along Walker Village Drive and Remembrance Road? Is the sidewalk network complete? Did you see pedestrians using the sidewalk? What did you like and what didn't you like from a pedestrian perspective?
- 4) We all know that the loss of the D&W store stripped the anchor retailer from the local business district. Do you think larger chain businesses or local businesses will lead the way towards a revitalized business district? Why?
- 5) What types of housing do you see in the area near Remembrance Road and Walker Village Drive? Along Leonard Street?
- 6) Is there public bus service along Leonard Street, Remembrance Road or Walker Village Drive? What is the bus route number? Why would there be public transit in this area?
- 7) Have you walked the sidewalk network along Leonard Street? In Grand Rapids or in Walker? What did you like and what didn't you like from a pedestrian perspective?
- 8) How would you define "*quality of life*" for this part of the City of Walker?
- 9) Have you ever Googled the terms "road diet" or "aging in place"? If so, do components of these terms appear to have a place in this part of the City of Walker, either now or in the future? If so, why and where?

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