

# HASTINGS



## TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING MASTER PLAN

### Focus Group Outreach

The city hosted five focus group interviews, one for each of the four voting wards plus a city-wide evening meeting. These meetings gave 37 participants the opportunity to discuss transportation topics and aspirations with the project team. Below is a summary of themes heard in those conversations.



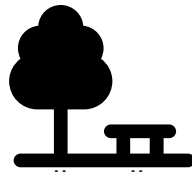
### What's Important?

#### Safety



Safety of the city is a core value for Hastings residents; from crashes to crime

#### Character



The overall small town character and cleanliness of the city add to the charm of Hastings.

#### Community



Hastings has friendly neighbors who are willing to volunteer their time and work together.

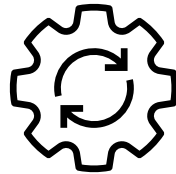
### What Do We Like?

#### Trails



The growing trail system is great for families and community health!

#### Maintenance



Upkeep and repairs are done in a timely fashion throughout the city.

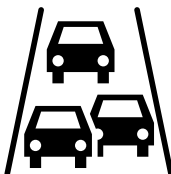
#### Places



From the colleges to water parks, Hastings has interesting places to go that add to it's appeal.

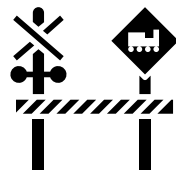
### What Could Use Improvement?

#### Traffic Flow



Traffic signals and limited cross-town routes cause congestion, particularly around schools.

#### Railroad Quiet Zones



Train horns regularly impact resident's quality of life and downtown visitors.

#### Alternative Modes



There is desire for more hiking & biking trails, sidewalk consistency, and public transit.