



# City Manager's Report

October 17, 2017



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# Seeking Financial Challenges Community Advisory Group (CAG) Volunteers

- Deadline to submit an application is Oc. 27.
- Appointment of participants week of Oct. 30.
- CAG's first meeting is Wed., Nov. 15.
- CAG meetings are open to all.
- For more information visit:  
[www.mercergov.org/FinancialChallenges](http://www.mercergov.org/FinancialChallenges)

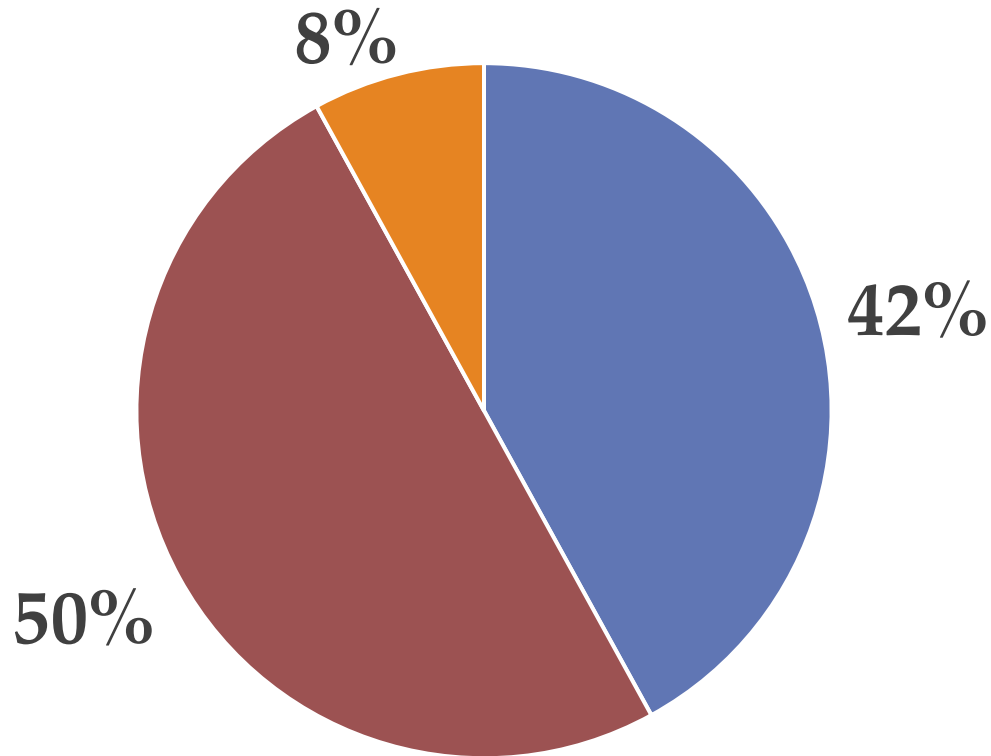


# Telephone Town Hall Recap

- First 3-5 minutes = 250+
- 60 minutes = approx. 100
- 68% agreed with the statement: the City provides about the right amount of services
- Not scientific survey
- Helpful in learning initial reactions and what types of questions residents have about the City's finances
- Recording of the TTH can be found at [www.mercergov.org/FinancialChallenges](http://www.mercergov.org/FinancialChallenges)

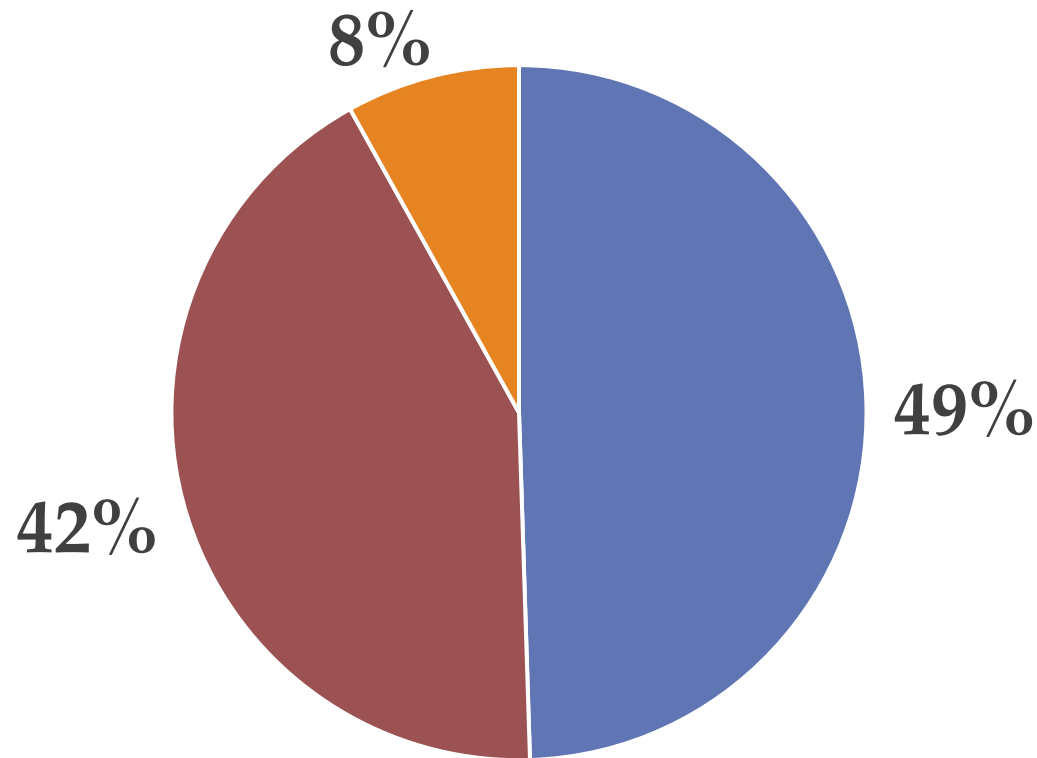


# Favor paying more property taxes to maintain services



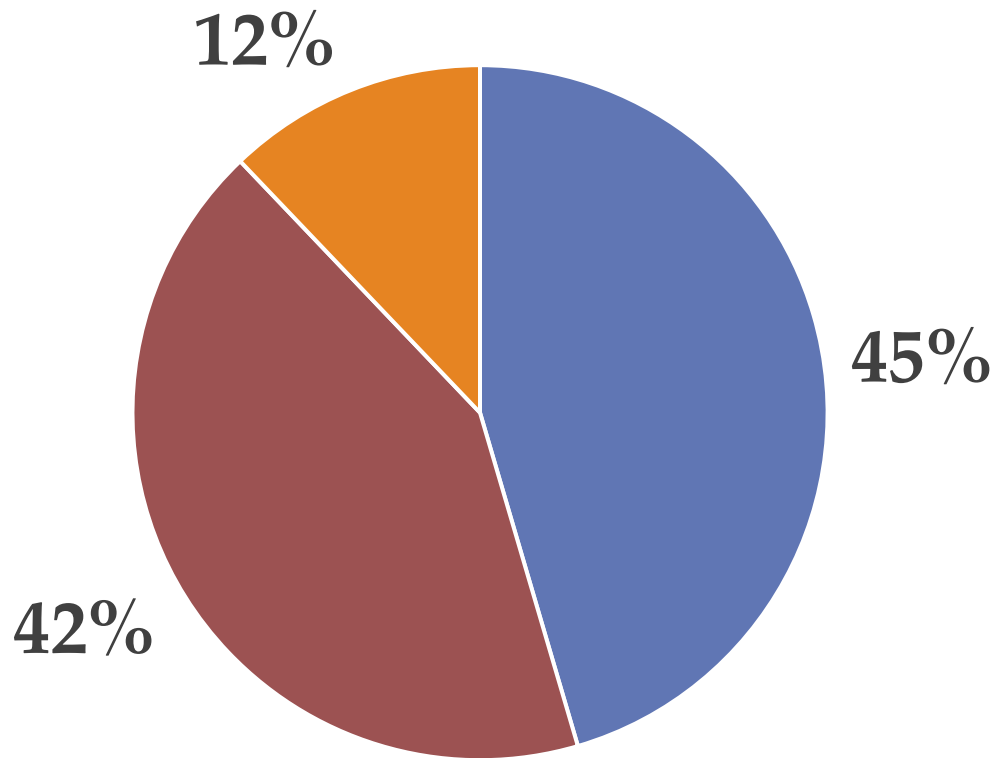
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# Prefer scaling back servs/progs than an increase in property taxes



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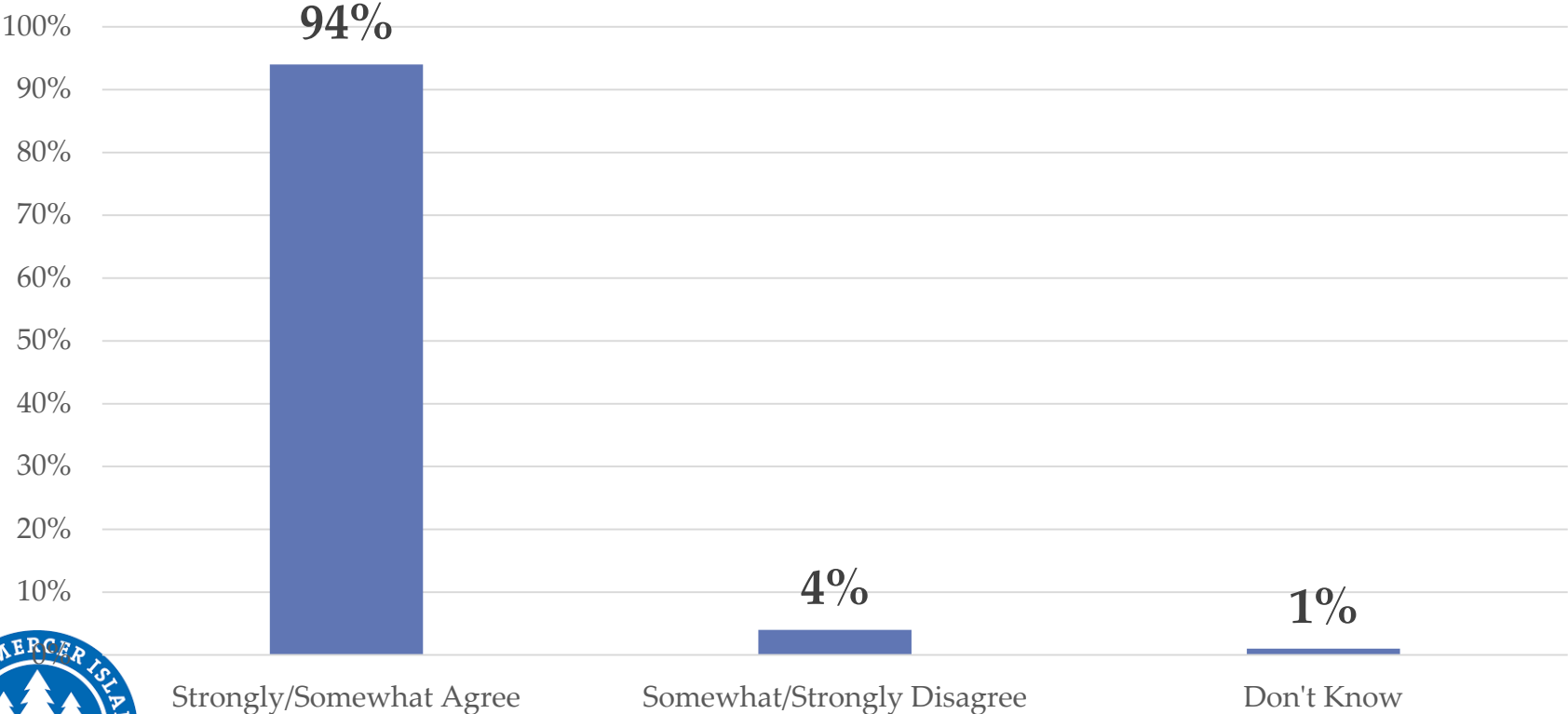
# Favor paying more property taxes for capital projs & deferred maint



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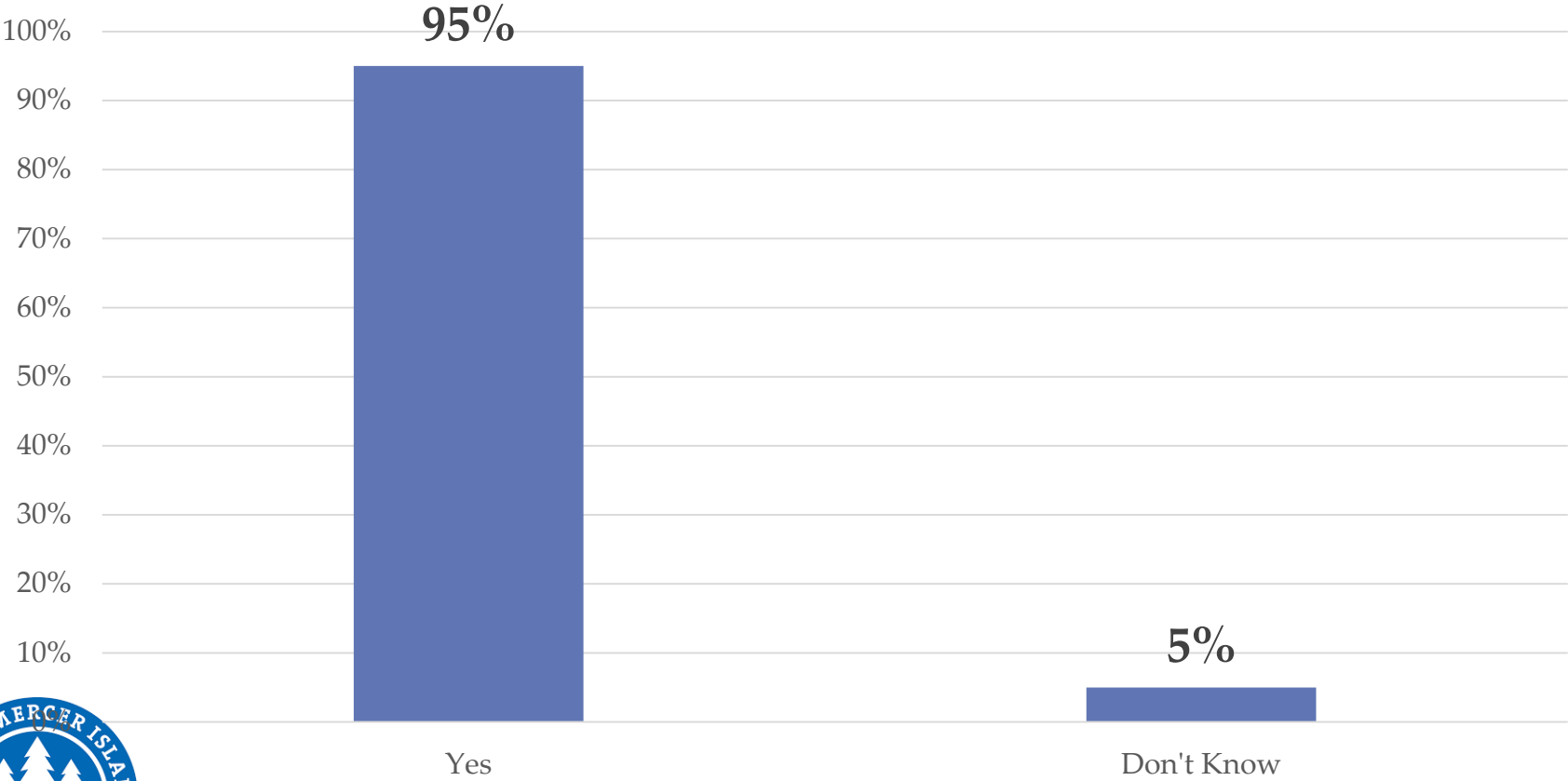
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TTH was helping in learning about the City's inancial challenges



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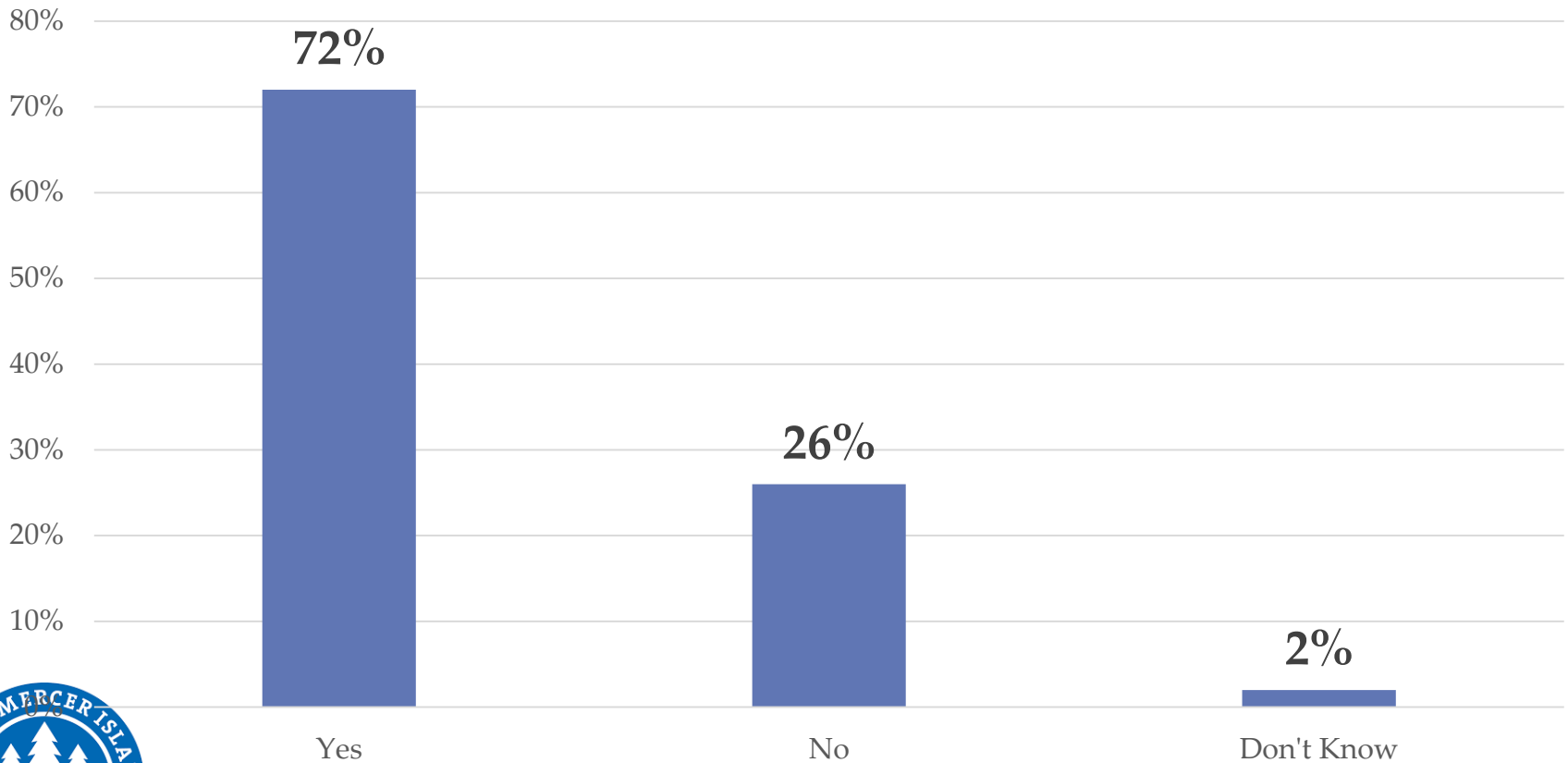
Hold TTH in the future about important issues





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Were you aware the City was facing major budget challenges?



# MICA – Postponed Zoning Text Amendment

- Planning Commission public hearing on Wed., Oct. 18 is canceled
- City working with MICA to explore alternative locations



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# Let's Protect the Planet

- **Fall Recycling Event** – Sat., Oct. 21, 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Boat Launch (3600 East Mercer Way)
- **Medicine Take-Back** – Sat., Oct. 28, 10:00 am-2:00 pm, City Hall
- **Recycling Bins in Town Center** – piloting in 4 locations – for aluminum cans, plastic cups/bottles, glass bottles, mixed paper (incl. coffee cups and lids), cardboard (incl. juiceboxes)
- For more info visit [www.mercergov.org](http://www.mercergov.org)



# Clean Audit – 22 Years!

- 22 years in a row of clean audits
- Assesses how the City manages, uses, and safeguards public resources, and determines accuracy and completeness of City's financial statements
- Full audit available by visiting the Washington State Auditor's website



# Emergency Preparedness for North End Businesses

- Workshop to help businesses prepare for emergencies and disasters
- Wed., Oct. 18, 9:00 am or 6:00 pm
- North Fire Station at 3030 78<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE
- RSVP with Emergency Preparedness Officer Jennifer Franklin at (206) 275-7905

