

#### Survey Question 4:

Think about some of your favorite streets in Elizabeth (or elsewhere in Charlotte) and tell us what it is that makes them special that could be applied to other Elizabeth area streets.

<b>Favorite streets (ranked by most mentions)</b>	<b>Responses</b>
Fifth Street	23
Clement Avenue	17
Greenway Avenue	14
East Boulevard	9
Queens Road West	5
Seventh Street	5
Lamar and Eighth (traffic circle)	5
Elizabeth Avenue	4
Lamar Avenue	4
Hawthorne Lane	3
Kenmore Avenue	3
Sunnyside Avenue	3
Bay Street	2
Berkeley Avenue (Dilworth)	2
Crescent Avenue	2
Eighth Street	2
Pecan Avenue	2
The Plaza	2
Caswell Road	1
Davidson @36th	1
Hermitage Court	1
Laurel Avenue	1
Ninth Street	1
Poplar Street (Fourth Ward)	1
West Morehead Street	1
<b>Favorite characteristics (two or more mentions))</b>	<b>Responses</b>
Trees/tree canopy	68
Sidewalks	29
Nice houses/historic architecture	23
Pedestrian friendly	11
Traffic circles/roundabouts	7
Wide streets	7
Shops/restaurants	6
Interesting mix of uses	5
Slow traffic	5
Front porches	4
Nice (decorative) streetlights	4
Bike lanes	3
Landscaping	3
Quiet/child friendly	3
Traffic calming	3
Parking	2
Underground utilities	2

## Responses

- 5th Street, Dilworth Road, East Boulevard, Queens Road West, West Morehead Street
- The tree canopy extending over the streets is a very special feature in this area. It adds wonderful character and helps with the heat island effect. It appears most of the trees were planted about the same time and I am concerned there are no plans for planting new trees in time for them to replace the older trees without a significant transition period. Also being able to feel safe from traffic while walking the streets. Some streets the traffic is low enough that you can safely walk in the street, while others you need a sidewalk. On street parking affects this too. I feel strongly that walkability needs to be at the heart of anything that happens.
- I like East Boulevard in Charlotte. It has interesting mix of uses such as restaurants, coffee shops, grocery stores, access to Freedom Park, residential, offices, drycleaners, barber shop and many more. 7th St. in Elizabeth has great potential for sustaining mixed uses, being pedestrian friendly making Elizabeth a vibrant community.
- Multi-modal accommodations.
- East Blvd has done a nice job of making it a neighborhood and pedestrian street.
- The trees and things looking well kept and landscaped. I don't like lots/properties that look run down or unmaintained. Sidewalks are nice but not necessary because our streets aren't really too busy. I love the idea of being able to walk to parks, tennis courts, and eclectic restaurants shops etc. Love coffee shops.
- 8th street - traffic circles; Laurel Ave - stop signs & speed bump(s); Pecan Ave - pedestrian & bicycle traffic (quaintness that makes Elizabeth neighbor-friendly to other neighborhoods)
- close parking
- Hermitage Court - preserve important and valuable traditional architecture as well as open space and mature trees
- Crescent Avenue, wide street with calming devices. Good connectivity to major roads, and beautiful tree canopy.
- I love the area between US74, 7th street, Hawthorne, and Pecan. The round-about at Lamar and 8th street has such character! Wide streets with more narrow cross streets, mature trees, historic character, accessibility to businesses and transit.
- East Boulevard - Cleaned up. Sidewalks are clear. Nice lined trees. Storefronts and restaurants have a great appeal. Clean Lawns.
- Majestic Trees, Historic Architecture, Shops and Restaurants within walking distance
- The architecture of the buildings in conjunction with the surrounding homes needs to maintain a welcoming feeling to keep people interested in Elizabeth. If the intention is to keep a neighborhood feel, any new development must fit in to the existing structures and style of Elizabeth. I feel it is vital that Elizabeth be attractive and stylish to both residents and future businesses.
- I want WIDE sidewalks on 4th, 7th and Elizabeth (8' minimum) and wider on Pecan and Hawthorne (6' minimum) and get rid of the ridiculous planting strip on Elizabeth Ave. It should be paved all the way to the back of curb.
- Tree-lined. Historical. Not cookie-cutter. Walkable. Organic. Local. Think there is nothing better in Charlotte, but can look to other cities for good example--Virginia-Highlands in Atlanta for example.
- 5th Street, the canopy of trees and the old time neighborhood feel. Greenway Ave - mixed residential use - Tree lined - Clement - wide street - tree lined - ped friendly
- The new Elizabeth Ave, with power and other cables underground, great street lights and landscaping. There is nothing in Charlotte yet... that compares to what could be a King Street or East Bay St. At present, I Love 5th St. and Poplar in 4th Ward. Again, I have to many idea's to get into them here.
- I love tree-lined streets. As a pedestrian, I appreciate sidewalks, but I can do without. I like to be able to walk to restaurants and bars.
- 7th street because of the historic houses turned into restaurants and shops as well as some more modern shops

- I like the clean, pedestrian-friendly streets & eclectic old homes, with available housing for a wide variety of home owners & renters. The neighborhood feel here is great.
- One of my favorite streets currently is Seventh between Pecan and Charlottetown. It has walkability, diverse amenities on street level and TREES. I can cross it relatively safely (excepting the Pecan/Caswell crossing). Would only like to see the businesses in the VisArt strip section and the Pecan Point section move onto the street with parking behind, similar to the older historic buildings that currently house Crisp, Starbucks and Heroes.
- Hawthorne Lane is a street which reflect the architectural character of the area. The combination of businesses, houses of worship, multi-family dwellings, restaurants and single family homes is unique and is a great cross section of the neighborhood. The added benefit of Hawthorne Lane crossing and allowing major access to Independence Park completes the appeal for me.
- Elizabeth is an eclectic mix of old and new, it has the "feel" of older traditional Charlotte houses but with easy access to neighborhood conveniences.
- Healthy tree canopy.
- Clement Ave. Bay Street. Greenway. I really like all the streets in Elizabeth. I like the traffic circle at Lamar and 8th. The park is open and beautiful. I like the varying sizes and styles of the commercial buildings.
- Clement -- wide & tree lined. Plenty of street parking.
- Ease of walking to businesses and restaurants; sidewalks on both sides; tree canopy.
- wide streets; beautiful landscaping; easy/safe to cross; great for walking or biking
- Clement is a favorite street of mine because it is wide and still has much of it's tree canopy.
- They have sidewalks on both sides, nice large trees, well taken care of yards & gardens. They also have minimal cars parked in front of homes, they have nice street lights sometimes historic or historic replicas.
- fifth st - trees
- Love sidewalks!
- Tree canopy, sidewalks.
- Greenway. Beautiful homes, gorgeous tree-lined streets. However, this is the only street that doesn't have a stop sign at an intersection, at Cameron. Too many speeders - this is a hazard for the 19 some children that live on one block alone.
- The use of roundabouts, curb cuts, and pedestrian-friendly areas (as seen via recent construction to East Blvd) would be ideal for East 7th street. Speeding and ingress/egress points onto 7th create traffic issues.
- Good streets are places that encourage people to get out and interact. Good streets include more than the thoroughfare for automobiles -- they have bike lanes, planting strips, and wide sidewalks. Good sidewalks are lined with big trees (not miniature trees required because of ugly overhead power lines). Good streets are activated by buildings that have people in them (with windows on the street) at all hours of the day. Good streets are not overwhelmed by buildings that are too tall. Good streets have attractive lighting for nighttime. Good streets have buildings at varying setbacks rather than a monolithic, identical setback for blocks on end. Good streets have traffic calming measures like tree plantings or street lights that jut into the traffic, on street parking, cross walks, traffic circles at intersections, etc.
- well paved/maintained roads like Myer's Park.
- Streets look newly paved and sidewalks maintained.
- Sidewalks and lots of trees. Clement is beautiful because of the architecture as well as the width of the tree-lined street itself. Fifth is a favorite because of the willow oak tree canopy.
- 8th st with the traffic circle (I wonder if more could be applied); streets running beside Latta park; any tree lined street in Charlotte with sidewalks on both sides and pedestrian friendly areas; Davidson street and 36th.
- They are special because the streets are quiet enough for the children who are 10 and older to cross from side to side to play with their friends. My favorite streets are wide enough for the kids to ride skateboards and bikes with a reasonable degree of safety.

- I love the streets that have water fountains / dog dishes / benches. It feels so welcoming! I am also in favor of doing all that we can to preserve our trees. Finally, I love the "neighborhood" feel of some streets - the way people, for whatever reason, gather outside to chat, let their kids / pets play, etc. I don't know how that can be applied to other streets, but it's a great part of our neighborhood!
- Tree Canopy, Sidewalks, variety of architecture in housing stock.
- Clement, and 9th street, size of lots, architecture- single family, mature trees, sections of 5th street are nice because of the single family architecture, mature trees, and walkability. Queens road west is the ideal street in charlotte, note the extra wide planting strips for the street trees.
- Clement, Lamar, Kenmore, Greenway for quiet, residential feel and tall, maturing tree canopy; 7th, Hawthorne and Elizabeth for commercial vibrancy and walkability
- Tree lined with wide sidewalks. Historical homes with unique architecture.
- I think proximity to restaurants and shops coupled with historic buildings AND newer multi-family residences to support the growth of business is important. People like to live in Dilworth because it has the stuff to do but they have allowed some newer buildings to go up to increase occupancy in the neighborhood and therefore traffic to the business they want to have nearby.
- For residential streets, it is connectivity, trees, and traffic activity (low volume, low speed) appropriate for a residential street. For mixed-use areas, it is proper pedestrian enhancements -- wider sidewalks, compartmentalized parking (preferably somewhere other than the store/business fronts), adequate cross-walks and traffic controls that try to keep speeds down through pedestrian-oriented areas.
- Clement, 5th street, Sunnyside - because of the tree canopies and because you have a sense of a "real" neighborhood when walking down the streets. People walk the streets, sit on front porches or in yards, people stop and converse with neighbors, etc. Elizabeth Avenue will be even better once we see additional development on that street.
- We love the tree canopy and the neighborhood feel. We do not like condos and apartment buildings looking down on our homes and our children playing in the yards.
- Tree coverage
- I really enjoy walking and seeing people out enjoying our neighborhood. I love hearing live music from restaurants and seeing kids playing in the park. I wish that there were more places to walk to for different activities such as shopping, eating and live music.
- I like how East Blvd was redesigned. Many crosswalks were added which bring attention to the pedestrian nature of the neighborhood.
- I like streets that allow walkers via sidewalks, have mature trees to provide shade, and housing that promote getting to know your neighbors.
- Sunnyside, Clement, 5th, Kenmore, Greenway, ...so, so many. They are wonderful because of the character and diversity in the structure of the houses. The architecture of the neighborhood houses and businesses exemplify the diversity and energy of the people living in Elizabeth. The number of porches and the sense that the residents "front porch" invites the interaction with neighbors. If Elizabeth is allowed to continue to foster its own uniqueness by attracting families and businesses that wish to contribute to the urban livability of the neighborhood while honoring its past, I think many of the streets will have homes redone and businesses and are unique.
- Tree-lined streets; Safety for playing children. New construction/renovations in keeping with architectural history of the neighborhood
- East 5th has a distinctive overhead cathedral of trees across the roadway, unlike anywhere else I've seen in Charlotte, except for part of Queens Road West.
- Scale and good design are key attributes for me. Too often commercial and residential property uses overwhelm their lot sizes.
- Tree lined and access to shops and restaurants
- The tree-lined streets. The tree lined medians in the middle of the roads. Seeing people walking, running & riding bikes on sidewalks and roads. Green spaces.
- I love the roundabout concept at the corner of Lamar and 8th

- My wife and I particularly enjoy the tree lined streets. Improvements should be made to sidewalks where necessary. We also really like the character of each home and business. Steps should be taken to ensure history, architecture, and uniqueness of each home and business is maintained.
- Queens - beautiful parkway with many large growth trees. We need to replant our trees with large growth variety (too many maples that will never reach majesty of willow oaks). Greenway - overall beautiful street with consistent housing stock - no significant eyesores or unoccupied properties...love the curve. All neighborhood streets could benefit from attractive, historically appropriate lighting - not utility poles with lights stuck on top.
- I think roundabouts are much more efficient than 4-way stops; and it is a nice place to add a garden.
- I love New York City where retail, restaurants are street level, and people live in the 3 - 4 stories above. Parking is hidden either behind or below the building, with only a few slots in front.
- Adequate planting strip relative to intensity of traffic - 8' (MUDD) is not adequate for 4 wide lanes of speeding traffic. Adequate space between curbs and face of buildings are also critical for the spatial needs of mature shade (canopy) trees - and these features also provide a strong barrier between pedestrians and vehicles.
- We need to slow down traffic on Central. The 5 point intersection has the potential to be awesome. With Intermezzo leading the way we need to strengthen the business corridor. We need to emphasize that on-street parking is allowed during non-rush hours. Outlined parking spaces would be helpful. I love 7th street and we need to keep those restaurants rocking and rolling.
- Tree-lined sidewalks
- The tree canopy on 5th is wonderful; the wide planting strips next to the street, each one slightly different according to the taste and whims of the homeowners, add so much variety. I also love the little traffic circle on Lamar, it's very original -- and pretty. The trolley path isn't a street, but what a great footway to have. It adds so much, and I use it to get out to 7th street, just as the original intent must have been.
- sidewalks; big trees; bike/running lanes
- 5th and Greenway both have adequate sidewalks which lends them to use for walking.
- I love having nice, clean places to walk and ride bicycles.
- Crescent is wonderful and wide and appealing - Elizabeth streets are narrow and crowded. Many Elizabeth residents have yards that are junky and unkempt with tacky things on the porch, etc. You do not see this type of things in Dilworth, Myers Park. It is quite distressing. It is quite obvious that many people do not care about curb appeal! This downgrades the other homes who do.
- Clement represents a great streetscape with the large mature trees, sidewalks, and a wide enough street for parking, traffic and bicycles.
- The good condition of the trees, the historic homes, the pride of living in this neighborhood
- greenway, 5th. trees, trees, trees.....
- Trees and sidewalks
- Trees, pedestrian access. (yet, Elizabeth's appeal is compromised by the 'highways' such as 7th, Indep, Randolph, Caswell, Pecan that divide us.
- Old architecture, spacious lawns and green areas, and tree canopy. No tall bulidings creating a canyon effect.
- Clement Avenue: width and large trees, little cut-through traffic, variety of housing
- Scale on a pedestrian streetscape level. I agree with Babak Emadi's vision of scale for Elizabeth structures
- Trees, sidewalks.
- Walkability. Front porch socializing, slow cars, tree canopy, historic and interesting architecture, walking distance to non-chain retail and dining.
- my favorite street in Elizabeth is greenway ave because of its mature trees and slow traffic.
- Trees, proximity to local area business, pedestrian use, and parks.
- 1. Speed bumps 2. Tree lined streets

- Clement Ave. I love the wide street and low level of traffic. Kids can play basketball and ride bikes. The trees create a lovely environment for birds and other animals. When friends come to visit my home, they can't believe I live this close to the city and have such a beautiful park like setting.
- You can tell how much a neighborhood is valued by the upkeep of the houses and yards. Elizabeth for the most part has owners who care about their property.
- Good sidewalks not too close to the road, logical crosswalks and lights for crossing busy streets, trees
- Pedestrian and runner friendly.
- Charlotte has beautiful tree lined streets and I believe it's important to continue this tradition of having large mature trees. Sidewalks with easements are very important for walkers and children to get to places safely.
- trees
- I walk and like streets with good sidewalks, shade provided by trees and with a fairly dense mixture of homes and businesses.
- I live on my favorite Charlotte Street, Clement Avenue. The width of the street, lovely homes diverse in size, character and inhabitants, and tree canopy (however, diminishing) make it a beautiful street. However, it is already also an example of what needs to be preserved in Elizabeth. The increased retail demands of 7th Street make it more and more difficult to park in front of your own home, and traffic flow can create a cut-through aspect that encourages speeding down the street.
- Sidewalks, trees, homes and businesses, people and slow-moving traffic -- these make good streets.
- Re Elizabeth: Lamar and Clement -- wide -- very unusual for an inner city neighborhood. 5th Street, tree lined. Greenway - the interesting bend. All streets, unique homes. 7th street is unbelievably ugly with its lack of streets and impossible maze of wires.
- Pedestrian friendly - with good sidewalks and inviting front porches on the houses where folks are open to meeting their neighbors. Also, I love bungalows & big trees.
- Berkely Ave in Dilworth - wide, tree-lined w/sidewalks on both sides. 5th street is also nice w/sidewalks on both side.
- None come to mind. I think they did a nice job with East Blvd with the bike lanes and medians
- I like the "Boulevard" nature of Elizabeth Avenue and 7th Street, where you can sit in front of shops (if not now, but in the envisioned future) and enjoy the day, the passers-by and ambiance of the neighborhood.
- East blvd. - At first I didn't think I was going to like the new design but it does make it a much safer pedestrian/bike friendly street which I think encourages people to slow down and drive safer.
- Sunnyside is truly special since it embodies the historic quality of Elizabeth and takes you to the old rose garden. The section of 7th Street from Louise to Charlottetown Road (past St. Martins) needs to be carefully studied to not allow traffic flow to rule the decisions and to bring back a strong tree canopy all along 7th St. Elizabeth Ave. is important and needs careful attention to scale. The proposed housing along 7th is detrimental to the scale of the neighborhood and character of a truly pedestrian neighborhood. Kenmore is one of the best streets in Elizabeth. We don't need to copy any other streets in Charlotte but we do need to establish pedestrian quality along 7th, Caswell, Randolph, Hawthorne (to Central), and Pecan.
- The tree canopy on E. 5th Street, the round-about at Lamar Avenue and E. 8th Street as a way of controlling traffic volume and speed, the decorative street lights along Elizabeth Avenue, the sidewalk cafe in front of Crisp at E. 7th Street and Pecan Avenue, and the vibrant street level activity along Caswell.
- Sidewalks, trees and older/historic homes are the bones of this community and need to be protected. These are exemplified throughout the neighborhood, but 5th Street, Clement and Lamar are my favorites.
- 5th street. Clement street. big oak trees along both side of the streets. It's hard to find nowadays. Actually, I am impressed by the whole Elizabeth neighborhood, we have a strong and tight neighborhood association. People living in Eliz neighborhood are very aware of what is going on in our neighborhood such as city planning.
- trees, sidewalks, safe to cross street

- Clement- the tree canopy and the Victorian-style architecture of the homes, quiet. 5th Street- the tree canopy, the mixture of homes, quiet but neighborly character.
- Hawthorne, 7th St, Pecan, Elizabeth, 5th - tree-lined, parks, restaurants and shops, Halston Theater, Visualite
- Greenway, Queens Road, (all of them), The Plaza, Berkley Avenue, trees, sidewalks, architecture, neighborhood feel
- newer, wider sidewalks
- Mature Trees, Slow (or no) Traffic, Well-kept yards, Families playing outside and people out walking alone, with dogs, or with kids
- Properties that are well maintained. Attractive yards. Houses that differ in style and are individualistic. Sidewalks that are clear for pedestrians to use. Interesting outdoor decor on porches and around walkways. Interesting plants. Trees that are cared for and don't pose a hazard. Vehicles that don't block the houses and yards when one is driving through.
- Greenway is a lovely street. The houses are varied, the trees large and many of the properties well landscaped. The neighbors are friendly as I go on my morning walk. Vail is a lovely street because of the stream that runs behind some of the houses. Worthington in Dilworth is another street I like for the same reasons.
- Children being able to play safely. Beauty of the large trees and green spaces. Preservation of the "old" or historic character of residences/buildings. Not "cookie cutter" like planned developments.
- Any tree lined street with a bicycle lane
- East Blvd - mixture of residential, commercial (shopping, restaurants), institutional; walkable (sidewalks on both sides); bike lanes; aesthetically pleasing (for the most part) - would like to see 7th St. a little more like this (but not TOO heavy on high-density residential).
- 7th Street needs to recapture it's more neighborhood feeling between Hawthorne & Uptown. Construction of parking deck/s NEED to include community and residential uses as well as safety and congestion controls. at street level.
- Tree-lined, wide sidewalks
- Greenway Ave. & 5th Streets: large, mature trees; wider city planting strip on 5th is desirable; few or no traffic lights; historic architecture preserved
- curbs, sidewalks, trees
- Tree canopy - Greenway
- Queens Road West with canopy trees over streets, slower traffic, bike lanes.
- Our neighborhood is wonderfully maintained by the individual homeowners. The only eyesore are the many rentals where the owners don't maintain their property. Our trees and sidewalks are our primary appeal along with bungalow style homes. The diversity of size is also important. I am always so thankful when another house is rebuilt or renovated and the design stays true to the style of the neighborhood. A neighborhoods appeal, as seen in other older areas, can be ruined by renovations looking too out of place...belonging to a south Charlotte neighborhood for example.
- Beautiful trees, historic architecture, consistently scaled architecture, Oak and pecan tree canopy. Mix of architecture - fourplexes, small bungalows, large houses, old duplexes - all mostly 1920's or earlier. Reduced traffic. Roundabouts.
- Fifth Street is my favorite in Elizabeth because of width of street, break between car travel lanes and sidewalks, tree cover, lot dimensions, and diversity of housing types and designs. I also like Greenway Avenue. And I think the recent changes to Hawthorne Lane are very positive.
- Good tree cover and sidewalks to make walking my dog more fun. Not alot of traffic. Well kept yards. Good lighting at night. Flat sidewalks. Neighbors who pick up their dog litter. Neighbors who clean up after the garbage men come.
- Trees along 5th Street...sidewalks...houses in keeping in scale to neighborhood.
- Character (restaurants, stores, architecture) and life (green and people)

- the plaza - love the planting strip and trees. it would be great on seventh or clement or hawthorne or other. streetcar could run down it, like in New Orleans.
- 5th street--tree canopy and stature. 8th street --architecture and age of structures
- We love Clement Ave. b/c of wide street, historic buildings; however, don't see how this design could be applied to other Eliz. streets.
- Kenmore, Greenway, 5th- like the tree canopy- seeing neighbors out enjoying the community
- 5th Street....TREES!!
- Fifth Street tree canopy.
- trees and sidewalks or medians that make them feel more cozy (with the added benefit of slowing traffic).
- Period architecture - Greenway Avenue; Presence and health of tree canopy; Security; Curb appeal; Resident Mix.
- I like being able to walk on sidewalks to get most places I want to go in the neighborhood. I like the fact that neighbors use the streets for walking, biking etc. - the sociability factor of that. I like the ambiance of the tree lined streets and cozy homes and nearby places to eat and shop.
- 5th Street tree lined/sidewalks
- Tree Canopy, no on street parking, no cut through traffic
- I have been pleased with the renewal of the neighborhoods with young professionals moving in, rebuilding, adding on to the older homes and how wonderful to have children in the neighborhood and stay at home moms
- Clement Lamar Bay tree lined wide, sidewalks, peaceful and beautiful
- All Elizabeth residential streets, not those in front of condos and apartments. Friends are there, on porches, getting ready to leave, walking dogs and children. Waving hello, saying "Good Mornin", stopping to chat