

Background

On Thursday, June 4, 2026, the Public Service and the non-profit development partner held a pop-up information session to let the community know about the proposed Granite Riverside Commons housing development at 30 Granite Way. The purpose of the pop-up information session was to:

- Share details on the housing project and information about a new proposed parking plan
- Answer residents' questions

The information was also available on the project webpage for those who could not attend at winnipeg.ca/riversidecommons.



Image 1: City and Developer staff share project information with attendee at Mostyn Place Park



Image 2: Residents attend the Pop-Up Information Session

Promotion

The project webpage and pop-up was primarily intended to engage people nearby the site. The session was promoted on June 3, 2026 by:

- Facebook post to over 45,000 followers
- X (formerly Twitter) post to over 131,000 followers
- LinkedIn post to over 57,000 followers
- Instagram story to over 24,000 followers
- Email notifications to stakeholders

Image 3 (right): Artist's rendering of Riverside Commons building



What we heard

Approximately 120 people attended the pop-up. Attendees could speak with the project team and complete an exit survey at the information session. The project team reviewed exit survey responses.

The exit surveys asked attendees to rate the information session (Figures 1, 2, and 3). This helps us improve future events. We received 31 exit surveys. Responses are summarized below.

Figure 1: I found the information I was looking for.

(Responses = 31)

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree



Figure 2: I found the staff at this event helpful.

(Responses = 31)

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree



Figure 3: I had the opportunity to talk to and/or ask the project team questions.

(Responses = 31)

Strongly Agree Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree



The survey also asked if attendees had any other comments or questions. Some residents noted their general support (12 comments) or general opposition (3 comments). We also received specific comments about the impacts and benefits of the project. The most common themes were:



Parking and transportation (13 comments)

Comments include:

- Concern about loss of parking for curling club (for example, access to parking during construction, especially for seniors, longer-term impacts on curling club)
- Question about how designated parking will be monitored
- Too much parking in proposal — already a lot of parking nearby, preference for prioritizing other transportation modes (for example, cycling, pedestrians, public transit)
- Previous questions/concerns have been addressed by proposed parking plan
- Concern about potential conflict of driveway with bike path/sidewalk



Housing and affordable housing (13 comments)

Comments include:

- Housing is much needed in the neighbourhood
- The proposed development fits the local context (for example, the area is densely populated and active)
- Value of affordable housing over parking
- Appreciation for number of units and long-term nature of affordable housing
- Affordable housing should be located elsewhere (for example, in another neighbourhood and not by the riverbank or beside a recreational facility)
- Ensure people currently living in the park are respected and considered (for example, offer supports and/or a unit in the proposed development)
- Appreciation for building design and materials



Preservation of trees, green space, and/or other current uses (7 comments)

Comments include:

- Concern that mature trees will be removed in favour of parking
- Preserve green space and existing park land
- Preserve historic building and recreational use (curling club)
- Preserve *The Beer Can*



Process (7 comments)

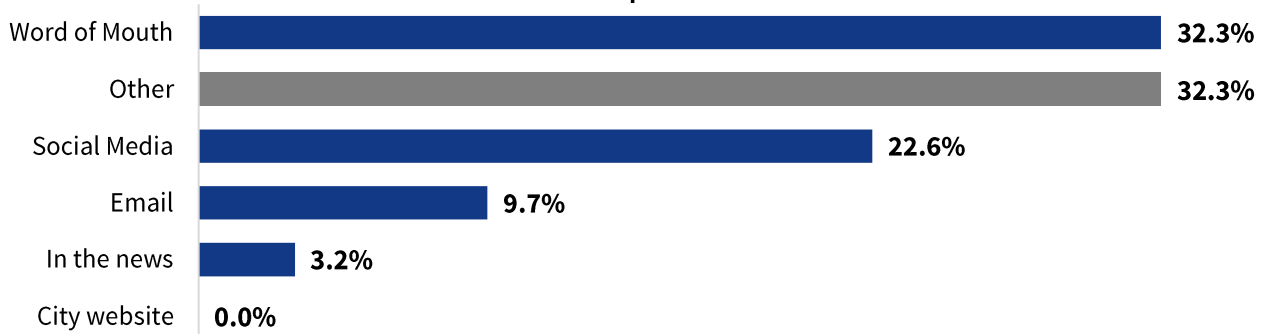
Comments include:

- Concern with the speed of the development process, questions about construction timeline
- Concern with engagement process (for example, didn't get all questions answered)
- Session was informative
- Appreciation for the opportunity to learn more

The survey also asked how respondents heard about the information session (Figure 4). This helps us improve promotion for future events. All “Other” comments were from respondents who were walking/cycling by the event.

Figure 4: How did you hear about this event? (Check all that apply)

Responses = 31



We asked respondents to describe themselves, including their age group (Figure 5) and connection to the site of the proposed development (Figure 6). This helps us know who we are hearing from and to improve future events.

Figure 5: What is your age group?

Responses = 31

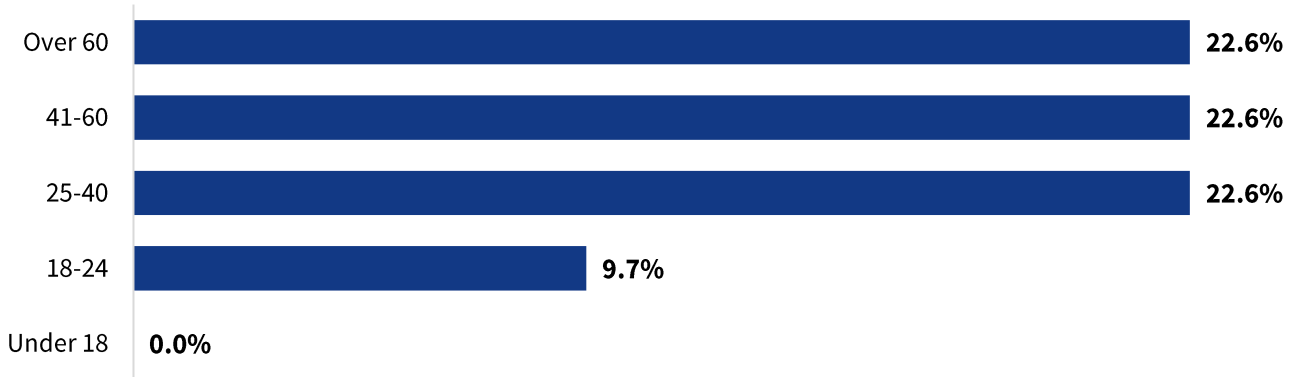
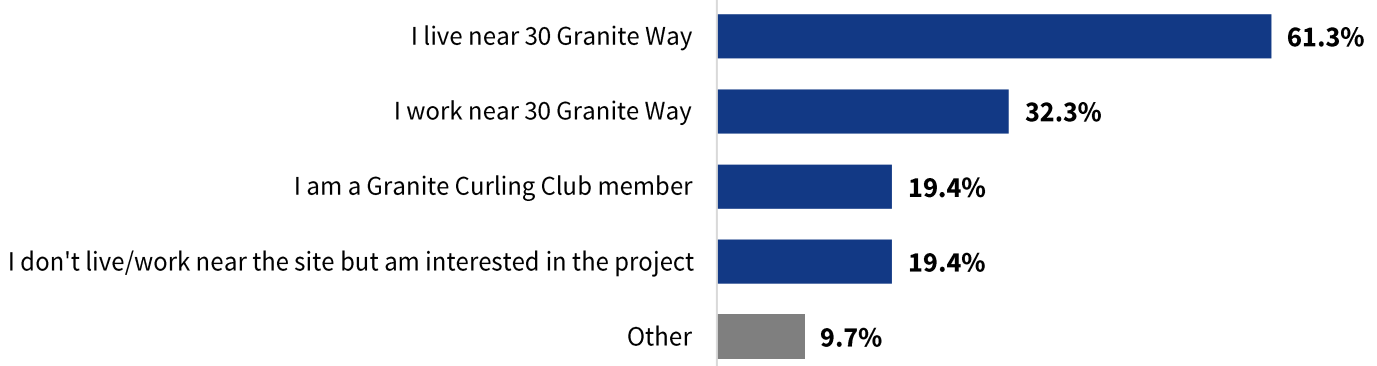


Figure 6: Please check all boxes that describe you.

Responses = 31



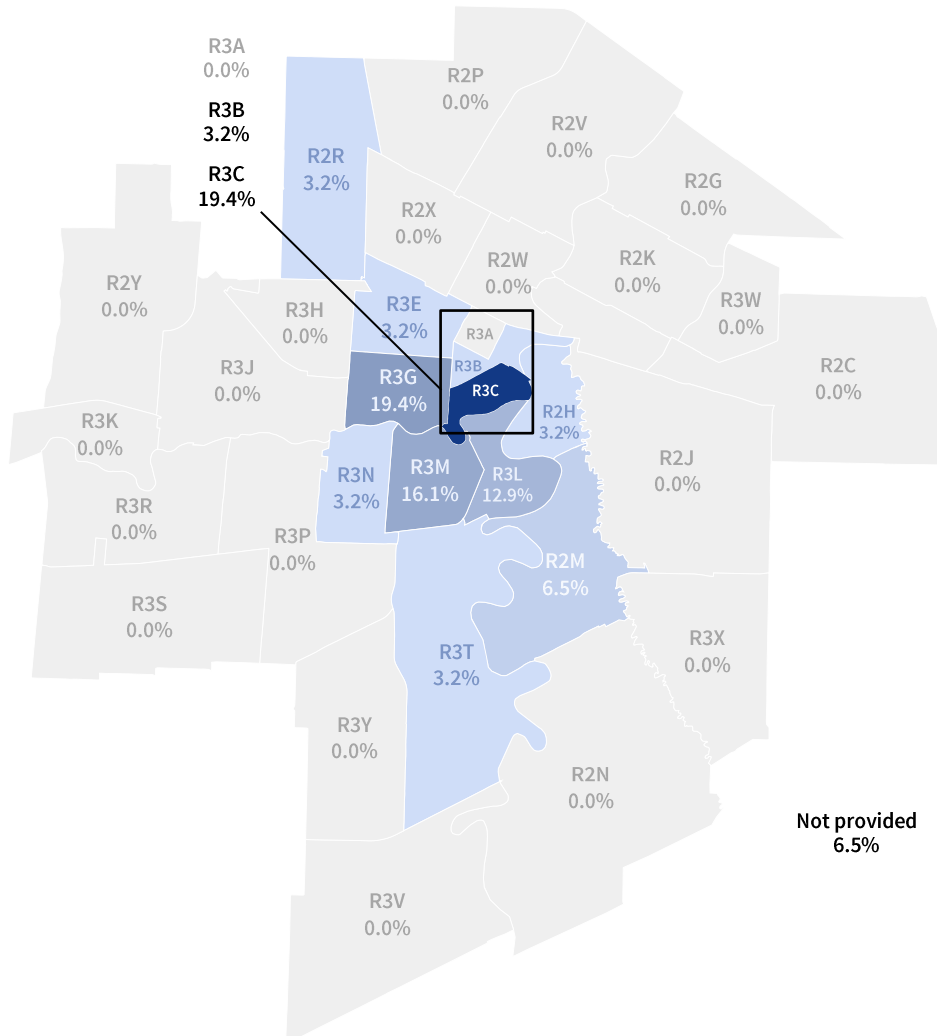
Comments provided under “Other” responses include:

- Frequent nearby businesses (i.e., the Beer Can)
- Friends with people in the area

We also asked respondents to provide the first three characters of their postal code (Figure 7). This helps us know who we are hearing from. Most respondents indicated they live in areas close to the proposed site.

Figure 7: Please provide the first three characters of your postal code.

Responses = 31



Next steps

The proposed development and parking plan will require variances and conditional uses.

A report on the cost of implementing the parking plan will go forward for Council consideration in June 2026.

If all variances and conditional uses are approved, the proposed project can proceed to the permitting process.