

City of Hyattsville

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Agenda Regular Meeting

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Monday, April 7, 2025

7:00 PM

Virtual

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Kareem Redmond, Ward 3
Edouard Haba, Ward 4
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Rommel Sandino, Ward 5

ADMINISTRATION

Tracey E. Douglas, City Administrator
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1. Call to Order and Council Roll Call**2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag****3. Approval of Agenda****4. Approval of the Minutes****4.a. Approval of the Minutes**[HCC-297-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the Council Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2025 and February 3, 2025.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [Minutes Feb 3](#)
[Minutes Jan 21](#)

5. Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker

6. City Administrator Update (7:20 p.m - 7:40 p.m.)**7. Presentations (7:40 p.m. -9:20 p.m.)****7.a. Pennrose - Sanctuary at Hyattsville Crossing - Request of City Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)**[HCC-287-FY25](#)

For Presentation

Sponsors: City Administrator**Department:** Community & Economic Development**Attachments:** [Hyattsville Cover Letter Final](#)
[PILOT Memo Apr 1 2025.pdf](#)
[Pennrose Presentation Slides PILOT Request Apr 2025](#)**7.b. Hyattsville Elementary School Construction Update**[HCC-300-FY25](#)

N/A

Sponsors: City Administrator**Department:** Community & Economic Development**Attachments:** [2023-12-21-hyattsville-k8-kickoff-meeting-pe-final.pptx](#)**7.c. 2025 Resident Satisfaction Survey Results**[HCC-298-FY25](#)

For Presentation

Sponsors: City Administrator**Department:** City Administrator**Attachments:** [Probolsky Research - City of Hyattsville - Community Survey - Executive Presentation](#)**8. Proclamations**

8.a. Proclamation Celebrating April 2025 as Arab American Heritage Month [HCC-292-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation recognizing April 2025 as Arab American Heritage Month in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [CM 0407 Arab American Heritage Month 2025](#)

8.b. Proclamation Celebrating World Autism Acceptance Day and Autism Acceptance Month. [HCC-293-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation celebrating April 2, 2025 as World Autism Acceptance Day and April as Autism Acceptance Month in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [CM 0407 National Autism Acceptance Month](#)

8.c. Proclamation in Honor of National Volunteer Week [HCC-294-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council proclaim April 20-26, 2025 as National Volunteer Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [CM 0407 National Volunteer Week 2025](#)

8.d. Proclamation in Honor of National Public Health Week [HCC-295-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council proclaim April 7-13, 2025 as National Public Health Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

Attachments: [CM 0407 Public Health Week 2025](#)

9. Discussion Items (9:25 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.)

9.a. FY26 Capital Improvement Plan and Budget Discussion[HCC-301-FY25](#)

Discussion to review the CIP and discuss the proposed FY26 Budget.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

10. Council Dialogue (10:00 p.m. - 10:10 p.m.)**11. Motion to Close****11.a. Motion to Close - Note: Council will not Return to Open Session**[HCC-299-FY25](#)

I move the Mayor and Council close the Council Meeting of April 7, 2025, in order to consult with the City Administrator and staff to discuss negotiations related to the acquisition of real property.

This session will be closed under the authority of the Annotated Code of Maryland State Government General Provisions Article Section 3-305 (b) (3) to consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto”.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Department: City Clerk

12. Motion to Adjourn



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Agenda Item Report

File #: HCC-297-FY25

4/7/2025

4.a.

Submitted by: Quianna Taylor
Submitting Department: City Clerk
Agenda Section: Approval of the Minutes

Item Title:
Approval of the Minutes

Suggested Action:
I move that the Mayor and Council approve the Council Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2025 and February 3, 2025.

Summary Background:
Action summaries for Council Meetings are posted to the City website within 48 hours of the meeting. Please see attached minutes.

Next Steps:
Upon approval, approved minutes will be posted on the City's website.

Fiscal Impact:
N/A

City Administrator Comments:
Recommend approval.

Community Engagement:
N/A

Strategic Goals:
Goal 1 - Ensure Transparent and Accessible Governance

Legal Review Required?
N/A

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1. Call to Order and Council Roll Call

Call to Order at 7:05 PM.

Also Present:

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Deputy City Administrator Laura Reams

Interim Director of Community Business and Economic Development Jeff Ulysse

City Treasurer Ron Brooks

Deputy Chief of Police Laura Lanham

Deputy Director of Public Works Hal Metzler

Deputy Director of Public Works Priyanka Joshi

Director of Community Services Sandra Shephard

Director of Human Resources Jay Joyner

City Clerk Nate Groenendyk

Deputy City Clerk Quianna Taylor

Emergency Services Manager Reggie Bagley

ARPA Funds Manager Patrick Paschall

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**3. Approval of Agenda**

CM Schaible made a motion, seconded by CM Denes to add a motion, to authorize the Mayor to send a letter of support for the "Bottle Bill" HB232/SB346 to the agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Denes, that this item was Approved as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino
Absent: Waszczak

4. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Haba, that this item was Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino
Absent: Waszczak

4.a. Approval of the Minutes

[HCC-236-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the Public Hearing Meeting Minutes of June 3, 2024 and the Council Meeting Minutes of December 16, 2024 and January 13, 2025.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Minutes December 16 2024](#)
[Minutes June 3 2024](#)
[Minutes Jan 13](#)

5. Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker

Chuck Perry spoke in support of ranked choice voting.

Sarah Bendoratis (Nicholson St) thanked the Mayor for his letter stating Hyattsville is a welcoming city to all residents. She also advised that she was awaiting a response from City staff about her request for speed calming devices on her block.

Nancy Meyer (Ward 2) spoke in favor of sending a letter of support for the Bottle Bill (HB232/SB346).

David Lampen (Ward 3) spoke in support of ranked-choice voting, acquiring the Gateway West/Landy property, and sending a letter of support for the Bottle Bill (HB232/SB346).

Greg Smith spoke in support of ranked-choice voting and sending a letter of support for the Bottle Bill (HB232/SB346).

Daniel Broder spoke in support of ranked-choice voting, sending a letter of support for the Bottle Bill (HB232/SB346), and asked City to divest from any supporting entities and businesses that support Pres. Trump.

6. City Administrator Update (7:20 p.m - 7:40 p.m.)

The City Administrator provided updates on City related events and programming.

The City Administrator and Council discussed financial planning for large purchases such as vehicles.

7. Presentations (7:40 p.m. - 8:10 p.m.)**7.a. ARPA and General Fund Savings Project Updates**[HCC-238-FY25](#)

Staff will provide report on the recently submitted ARPA Quarterly Report and updates for General Fund Savings Projects.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [ARPA Council Presentation 01.29.2025](#)

ARPA Funds Manager Patrick Paschall provided an APRA Quarterly Report update. All remaining funds have been legally obligated and must be spent by Dec 31, 2026.

Deputy Director of Public Works Hal Metzler provided updates on Public Works Projects that are being funded within ARPA funds.

8. Proclamations

A motion was made by Councilmember Redmond, seconded by Councilmember Haba, that this item was Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino

Absent: Waszczak

8.a. Proclamation Celebrating February 2025 as Black History Month in the City of Hyattsville[HCC-235-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation celebrating February 2025 as Black History Month in the City of Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [CM 0203 Black History Month 2025](#)

9. Consent Items (8:10 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.)

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A motion was made by Councilmember Redmond, seconded by Councilmember Denes, that the Consent Agenda was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino

Absent: Waszczak

9.a. 25 Cubic Yard Trash Truck Purchase

[HCC-234-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to purchase a 25CY trash truck from GranTurk Equipment, for an expenditure not to exceed \$285,000.00.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [25CY Trash Truck GranTurk Quote 12-17-2024](#)
[Sourcewell Waste Collection Vehicles Contract 000223-LEG 12-22-2023](#)

10. Discussion Items (8:15 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.)

10.a. City of Hyattsville Property Tax Relief Programs: Administrative Recommendations [HCC-237-FY25](#)

For Discussion.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Hyattsville Property Tax Relief_Council Presentation.pdf](#)

Treasurer Brooks provided an overview of the Property Tax Relief and Homestead Tax Credit Programs and recommended changes.

Councilmembers and the Treasurer discussed expanding community outreach to inform residents of the programs and methods to make the programs more impactful for residents.

10.b. Letter of Support for the "Bottle Bill" HB232/SB346

CM Schaible provided an overview of the Bottle Rebate Bill and asked the Council to authorize the Mayor to send a letter of Support.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to submit a letter of support to the House Environment and Transportation Committee and the Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee for HB232/SB346 Maryland Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Program.

A motion was made by Councilmember Redmond, seconded by Councilmember Denes, that this item was Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, and Haba

Absent: Waszczak, and Sandino

11. Council Dialogue (8:45 p.m. - 8:55 p.m.)

12. Motion to Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:44 PM.

A motion was made by Council President Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Denes, that this item was Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, and Haba

Absent: Waszczak, and Sandino

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City Treasurer Ron Brooks

Chief of Police Jarod Towers

Director of Public Works Lesley Riddle

Deputy Director of Public Works Hal Metzler

Director of Community Services Sandra Shephard

Director of Human Resources Jay Joyner

City Clerk Nate Groenendyk

Emergency Services Manager Reggie Bagley

City Arborist Dawn Taft

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**3. Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Council Vice-President Waszczak, that this item was Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Waszczak, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino

4. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Councilmember Sandino, that this item was Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Waszczak, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino

4.a. Approval of the Minutes[HCC-196-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the Council Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2024, and December 2, 2024.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Minutes Nov 18 2024](#)
[Minutes December 2 2024](#)

5. Public Comment (7:10 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.) Complete Speaker Card, Limit 2 minutes per speaker

Melissa Schweisguth thanked the Mayor for his statement against hate and discrimination in Hyattsville and advised the council of neighbors who had their Pride flags vandalized on their properties. She also spoke in favor of sending a letter of support for HB182/SB115 (Motor Vehicle Speed Monitoring Systems Penalties) and expressed concern about the lack of diversity in the candidates for the Corridor Investment Program grant.

Sarah Harper (Ward 2) spoke in reference to the upcoming lawsuit (Shand vs. City of Hyattsville) and asked that the City settle the lawsuit.

Mr. Marshall spoke in opposition to HB182/SB115 (Motor Vehicle Speed Monitoring Systems Penalties) and funding allocated for "The Spot".

Dan Broder asked that the City settle the upcoming lawsuit (Shand vs. the City of Hyattsville).

The Mayor asked for a moment of silence for the passing of longtime resident Nina Faye's husband.

6. City Administrator Update (7:20 p.m - 7:40 p.m.)

The City Administrator provided updates on City events and programming.

7. Presentations (7:40 p.m. - 9:10 p.m.)

7.a. Remand Briefing: Staff Draft II West Hyattsville-Queens Chapel Sector Plan and SMA [HCC-198-FY25](#)

For Presentation.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [WHQC Memorandum](#)
[WHQC City of Hyattsville Briefing 2025](#)
[Directors Housing presentation Hyattsville City Council January 25](#)

Lakisha Hull, Planning Director for Prince George's County, introduced Tony Felts, Sarah Benton, and Thomas Lester from M-NCPPC who presented on the West Hyattsville/Queens Chapel Road Sector Plan Remand. Lakisha Hull also discussed Missing Middle Housing and Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs).

The Council asked for an update on the status of the Sector Plan and discussed the possible additions of Accessory Dwelling Units within the Sector Plan, the permitting process for Accessory Dwelling Units, concerns about the flood plain, and the support of the community to implement the sector plan as soon as possible.

7.b. Proposed Revisions to City Code Chapter 112, Urban Forestry [HCC-193-FY25](#)

For Presentation.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Tree Ordinance Council Presentation 1-25.pptx](#)

City Arborist Dawn Taft, gave an overview of the proposed changes to the City Code which would streamline the tree removal process and work to expand the density of the tree canopy which dwindled during the COVID-19 pandemic.

7.c. Proposed Charter Changes Regarding Filling Vacancies for Elected Officials [HCC-195-FY25](#)

For Presentation.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [BOSE Update to Council_Jan 21_FINAL_011525](#)

Zack Peters of the Board of the Supervisors of Elections presented proposed charter changes tied to filling vacancies for elected officials, reducing the need for special elections.

The Council discussed the proposed length of vacancies under the proposed charter changes, the process of a Councilmember vacating their seat to run for Mayor, utilizing appointments to fill vacancies, and budgetary impacts of special elections.

8. Appointments

A motion was made by Councilmember Redmond, seconded by Councilmember Strab, that this item was Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Waszczak, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino

8.a. Appointment to the Police and Public Safety Citizens' Advisory Committee [HCC-194-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of Taurean Barnwell (Ward 3) to the Police and Public Safety Citizen's Advisory Committee for a term of two (2) years to expire on January 21, 2027.

Sponsors: Strab

Attachments: [Taurean Barnwell W3 redac](#)

9. Consent Items (9:10 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.)

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Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Waszczak, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino

9.a. FY25 Budget Amendment: Acceptance of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) Housing Affordability Planning Program (HAPP) Grant [HCC-184-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and City Council amend the FY25 Special Revenues Funds budget to accept and appropriate the MWCOG-HAPP grant in the amount of \$59,000 for the feasibility and planning analysis of preserving or expanding the affordability of 4 market affordable rental communities in West Hyattsville.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Memo MWCOG HAPP Grant Acceptance Dec 23 2024](#)
[25-025-A HAPP City of Hyattsville 12 19a](#)

9.b. Trolley Trailhead Park Sitework [HCC-188-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council authorize an expenditure not to exceed \$600,000 to NZI Construction for sitework for the Trolley Trailhead Park project, "The Spot," under their current contract with the City.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [NZI The Spot Proposal 12-12-2024](#)

9.c. 2024 Corridor Investment Program Grant Awards [HCC-212-FY25](#)

I move that the Mayor and Council accept the recommendations of City staff and approve Corridor Investment Program grant funding awards for the following entities, pending approval of funding:

- Anacostia Trails Heritage Area - \$1,500
- Art 'N Hair - \$1,500
- Art Works Studio School Inc. dba Art Works Now - \$5,000
- Creative Saints Loft - \$1,500
- Ferris Custom Cabinetry - \$1,584
- Gremlins Tattoo Lounge - \$5,000
- Hyattsville Volunteer Fire Department - \$5,000
- Life Of Gains - \$5,000
- Maryland Meadworks - \$1,500
- Better Education L.L.C. (Mathnasium of Hyattsville)- \$5,000
- Robert Harper Books LLC, dba My Dead Aunt's Books- \$1,440
- Pyramid Atlantic- \$1,500
- Ramona's Pizza Garden - \$5,000
- Rooted and Polished - \$5,000
- Triple Line Studio - \$649.06
- Yes! Organic Market - \$2,400
- Yes! Organic Market - \$5,000.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Staff Memo - CIP 2024_Final](#)
[Corridor Investment Grant - Program Guidelines - 2023_final](#)

9.d. MOU with Revenue Authority of Prince George's County: The Spot - Amendment 1 [HCC-233-FY25](#)

I move the Mayor and Council authorize the City Administrator to execute Amendment 1 to the MOU between the City and Revenue Authority of Prince George's County, updating the proposed schedule for the Trolley Trailhead Placemaking Project, pending legal review.

Sponsors: City Administrator

Attachments: [Amendment_SPOT Project_12 30 24-Execution Copy](#)

10. Discussion Items (9:15p.m. - 9:35 p.m.)

10.a. Letter of Support for Maryland HB182/SB118 Motor Vehicles-Speed Monitoring Systems-Penalties [HCC-199-FY25](#)

For Discussion

Sponsors: Schaible, Denes, Waszczak and Sandino

Attachments: [hb0182f.pdf](#)
[first-motor-vehicles-speed-monitoring-systems-penalties.pdf](#)

Councilmember Schaible gave an overview of Maryland HB182/SB118 which would permit automatic camera enforcement citation fines to increase incrementally due to speed and expressed his support for the legislation. Chief Towers confirmed that police issued citations for speeding are tiered.

The Council discussed getting feedback from the Police and Public Safety Committee, the efficacy of this bill to curb speeding, and the necessity of submitting a letter of support. Councilmembers Haba, Denes, Schaible, and Council Vice President Waszczak spoke in favor of the bill.

A motion was made by CM Schaible and seconded by CM Denes to move this item to the Action Items agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Waszczak, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino

A motion was made by CM Schaible and seconded by Council Vice President Waszczak to send a letter of support to the Maryland General Assembly for Maryland HB182/SB118 Motor Vehicle Speed Monitoring Systems Penalties. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Waszczak, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino

Abstain: Solomon, and Lee

11. Council Dialogue (9:35 p.m. - 9:45 p.m.)

12. Motion to Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM.

A motion was made by Councilmember Haba, seconded by Councilmember Denes, that this item was Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Croslin, Solomon, Waszczak, Denes, Schaible, Strab, Redmond, Lee, Haba, and Sandino



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Agenda Item Report

File #: HCC-287-FY25

4/7/2025

7.a.

Submitted by: David Cristeal
Submitting Department: Community & Economic Development
Agenda Section: Presentation

Item Title:

Pennrose - Sanctuary at Hyattsville Crossing - Request of City Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)

Suggested Action:

For Presentation

Summary Background:

Pennrose, in partnership with Sanctuary AP3 and the First United Methodist Church is proposing to develop Sanctuary at Hyattsville Crossing, an affordable apartment community with two components. The first component consists of 50-units of affordable senior housing. The second component consists of 70-units of affordable family housing. This affordable rental community would be located on underutilized Church property, at 6201 Belcrest Road. This property is in Ward 3 and has easy, walkable access to employment, shopping, recreation, schools, and transportation amenities including the Hyattsville Crossing Metro Station.

Pennrose is an affordable housing developer with extensive experience in the region and is the lead entity for this proposed affordable rental community. Pennrose has requested the City Council consider a 40-year City of Hyattsville PILOT to assist with the construction and long-term operation of the new affordable rental community. Pennrose has requested a term of 40-years in order to coincide with both affordability needs and financing requirements. Pennrose is also requesting that Prince George's County provide a 40-year PILOT. It will also seek grants, loans, and tax credits from the County, State, and federal sources.

Based on financing information provided by Pennrose, the City- provided PILOT would provide an estimated first year benefit of \$45,360, should the City Council vote to approve it at its April 17, 2025 meeting.

Next Steps:

The City Attorney will draft an Ordinance for the City Council's consideration.

Fiscal Impact:

If approved, the requested PILOT, would result in an estimated annual reduction in City taxes of \$45,360 in the first year of the 40-year term.

City Administrator Comments:

TBD

Community Engagement:

The drafted Ordinance will require the approval and adoption by the City Council.

Strategic Goals:

Goal 2 - Ensure the Long-Term Economic Viability of the City

Legal Review Required?

Pending

March 20, 2025

Robert Croslin, Mayor
City of Hyattsville
4310 Gallatin Street
Hyattsville, MD 20781

RE: Payment in Lieu of Taxes – Sanctuary at Hyattsville Crossing Development

Dear Mayor Croslin,

Pennrose, in partnership with Sanctuary AP3, and with the strong support of the First United Methodist Church of Hyattsville, is pleased to submit two applications for payments in lieu of taxes for this exciting development. The development will utilize a large portion of the existing church's 8.17-acre site and is ideally located directly across the street from the Hyattsville Crossing Metro Station.

The development calls for two separate projects to be built on site—one built with the 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credit (“LIHTC”) and the other with the 4% LIHTC. The “twin” projects will move forward concurrently to provide 120 affordable new housing units containing a mix of studio, one, two, and three-bedroom apartments. The two projects will seek to serve different populations; the 9% project will serve 50 families earning between 20%-60% of the area median income, as well as between eight and fifteen permanent supportive housing (“PSH”) units for persons experiencing homelessness, subject to a previously applied-for HUD grant to support the construction of said units. The 4% project will consist of a 4-story elevator building, offering 70 age-restricted apartments primarily serving seniors earning up to 60% AMI. The 4% project will also potentially offer additional PSH units, also subject to the HUD grant award. The project looks to acquire the necessary financing commitments and to submit a 9% LIHTC application in the upcoming competitive round, due to Maryland DHCD in May 2025.

This application constitutes a request for a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (“PILOT”) for both projects. A commensurate PILOT request for each project is also being presented to PG DHCD for consideration. PG DHCD allows a maximum abatement request of \$600 per affordable unit per year on county taxes, which leaves a projected remaining payment per affordable unit of \$240 on the 9% project and \$183 on the 4% project. This is a projected reduction of county taxes of 71.4% on the 9% project and 76.6% on the 4% project. The development team is requesting a relief in taxes from the City of Hyattsville in the same amount for each of these projects. Due to the City’s slightly lower tax rate, this translates to a monetary reduction of \$378 per affordable unit per year on each project. **As such, the development team is requesting a payment in lieu of taxes of \$152 per affordable per unit per year on the 9% project and \$116 per affordable unit per year on the 4% project, each agreement with a term of 40 years** (same term as the county PILOT). This translates to a year-one tax reduction of \$18,900 on the 9% project and a \$26,460 on the 4% project.

Although the reduction in taxes may seem significant, it is worth noting that the City of Hyattsville currently receives no tax payment from the church located on this tax parcel. The new, realized revenue to the city will be a projected total of \$15,682 between both projects in year one, increasing each year after that during the PILOT term. As long as the very healthy and active church remains, the development of low-income housing is the best and only use of this excess church land. Further, by modeling this request off the established PG DHCD PILOT program, it is ensured that the city and county fairly share the burden of supporting this important project. This

will also allow the city to leverage the county's process, documentation and methodology to streamline the process and reduce city staff time in executing these PILOTs.

The development and the church are thrilled about the possibility of this project moving forward, and its ability to provide 120-units of new affordable rental housing at a TOD site located in Hyattsville. We truly appreciate the City of Hyattsville's support thus far and look forward to executing on this pivotal and transformative project.

Sincerely,



Patrick Bateman
Pennrose, LLC



Memo

To: Tracey Douglas, City Administrator
Ron Brooks, City Treasurer

Thru: Jeff Ulysse, Acting CBED Director

From: David Cristeal

Date: March 28, 2025

Re: Pennrose Request for City Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) for the development of Sanctuary at West Hyattsville Crossing

Introduction:

Pennrose is requesting a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) from the City of Hyattsville. It is requesting a PILOT to complete a comprehensive finance package that would support the development of the Sanctuary at West Hyattsville Crossing, a proposed 120-unit affordable rental community.

A developer of affordable rental housing, Pennrose has partnered with the First United Methodist Church (FUMC) and Sanctuary AP3 to complete the new development. This rental community of 120 apartments would consist of 2 components, a 70-unit senior building and a 50-unit family building. The proposed development would be located on an underutilized portion of the FUMC property.

Background:

Pennrose is requesting a PILOT from the City, as well as financing from a wide range of other sources to meet the acute need for affordable rental housing in relatively high-cost areas of Prince George's County like Hyattsville:

- Half of all Hyattsville renter households are cost burdened, meaning they pay more than 30% of their income on rent + utilities.
- Renters with lower incomes have a high incidence of being cost burdened, as 91% of renters earning less than \$50,000/year are cost burdened.
- New market rate apartments are more expensive than the median rent, with 2-bedroom units in newer apartment complexes renting in the \$2,300-\$3,000 range.

The City currently has only 4 affordable rental communities with 432 units (out of a total multifamily rental supply of approximately 5,300 units). One of the 4 affordable rental communities, Montgomery Housing Partnership's (MHP's) Parkview Manor Apartments, received a City PILOT in 2017. The 15-year PILOT helped MHP purchase and renovate this 53-unit apartment complex.

Sanctuary at West Hyattsville Crossing and PILOT Request:

The proposed development would provide affordable rental homes for 120 low-income seniors and family households. All 120 households would have monthly rents ranging from \$380 to \$2,097. These rents would be affordable for households earning between 20% to 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI). This income range translates to incomes from approximately \$20,000/year to \$80,000/year (rents are based on both incomes and household size).

The proposed development is in a highly desirable location, just east of the amenity and transit rich, Hyattsville Crossing area. The location is walkable to shopping, employment, elementary and middle schools, the Metro, and other public amenities (library and future multi-generational community center).

A Payment in lieu of Taxes, or PILOT, is used to provide an incentive to a developer to undertake and complete specific projects, like affordable housing. In this case, a PILOT is a reduced property tax payment for an agreed upon amount and timeframe instead of paying the standard tax amount over the lifespan of a property (typically a reduction in taxes that would be paid by the property). Pennrose is requesting a PILOT that would reduce the estimated annual City taxes on the 120-unit development from \$59,042.47 to \$13,682.47, and for a period of 40 years. Pennrose is requesting this timeframe as its other financing requests are for the same timeframe (i.e. below market rate loans with 40-year terms). It is important to note that this property, occupied by the First United Methodist Church, pays no City taxes. Therefore, the requested PILOT would not result in a net loss in tax revenue as it currently pays no City property taxes.

A City PILOT, along with a County PILOT, would lower the total operating costs of the apartment community, that Pennrose estimates, would rise faster than tenant incomes over the 40-year period. Therefore, the City's PILOT would be a tool to enhance the property's long-term viability, freeing up funds for maintenance and other property amenities. As noted above, the City has experience with PILOTs as it provides one for the affordable rental community of Parkview Manor.

Pennrose and its project team are now preparing applications for funding from the various City, County, State, federal, and private sources. They anticipate submitting all applications by the middle of calendar year 2025. Simultaneously, they are working with staff at the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission to submit applications for needed entitlements. Pennrose is pursuing a text amendment for a zoning change. The property is currently zoned RSF-55 and would be amended to RTO-H-E, which allows family housing. They estimate that the text amendment will be approved this fall.

As Pennrose is seeking a PILOT from the City, it will need to draft a resolution and subsequent Ordinance in consultation with the City Treasurer and Director of Community and Economic Development authorizing the City Council to establish it (the PILOT).

As timing is of the essence, in lieu of preparing a draft PILOT Ordinance at this time, staff will prepare a Letter of Intent (LOI), that memorializes the City's support for this proposed affordable housing development and its intention to consider and support a PILOT at a future City Council meeting.

Pennrose is seeking support from the City Council to enhance the long-term viability of the proposed affordable rental community of 120 homes and strengthen its funding applications to the County, the State, and the federal government.

Next Steps:

If the presentation receives a favorable reception at the April 5, 2025, City Council meeting, staff will bring a Letter of Intent (LOI) to the City Council at its April 21, 2025, meeting for consideration.

The LOI will lay out terms and conditions under which a PILOT Ordinance will be considered the City Council and a final version of that Ordinance would be available for consideration by the City Council at a date to be determined in the future, depending upon the outcome of Pennrose' concurrent PILOT and funding requests from Prince George's County, its May 2025 application to the State of Maryland, Department of Housing and Community Development (MD-DHCD) for federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), and its funding application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Community Development.

Attachments:

Pennrose Request Letter

Pennrose Powerpoint Presentation



Sanctuary at Hyattsville Crossing - PILOT Request

TOD Low Income Housing Tax Credit Redevelopment

April 7, 2025



PROJECT OVERVIEW

DEVELOPMENT SITE

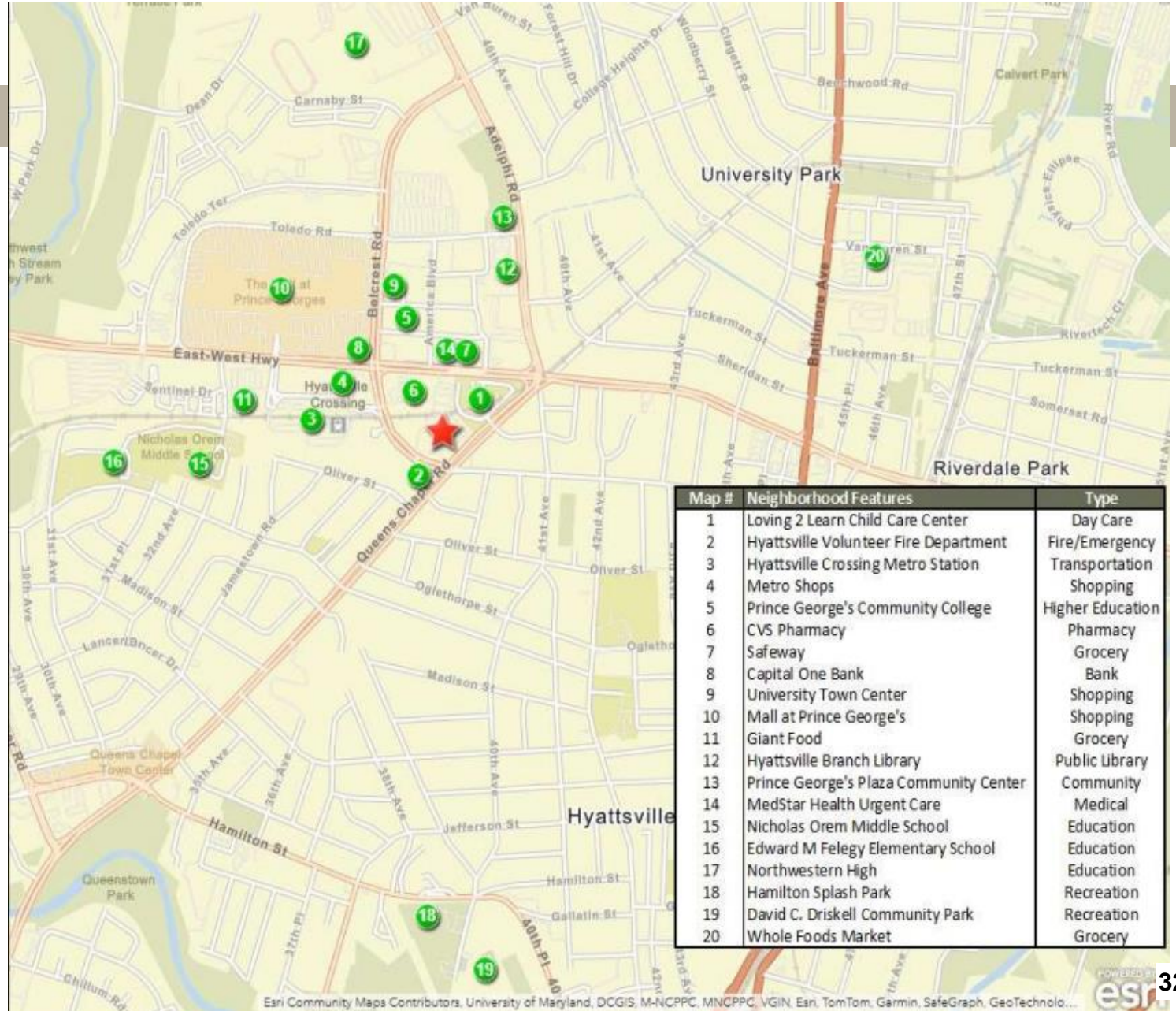


- A partnership between Pennrose and Sanctuary AP3, with collaboration from the First United Methodist Church of Hyattsville
- Redeveloping a portion of the church's 8.17-acre site into a 120-unit vibrant, intergenerational residential community
- Located across from the Hyattsville Crossing Metro Station
- Consists of 3 buildings: 2 family buildings (9% tax credit) and 1 senior building (4% tax credit).
- Aligns closely with state **and** county housing priorities

LOCATION

NEIGHBORHOOD AMENITIES

- Excellent healthcare access with MedStar Washington Hospital Center (4.7 miles) and Maryland Capital Region Medical Center (9 miles)
- Proximity to education with University of Maryland College Park (3 miles) and PGCC plus nearby elementary, middle, and high schools.
- Vibrant retail and dining scene at the Mall at Prince George's, University Town Center, and Metro Shops, featuring major retailers, restaurants, and entertainment options.
- Cultural and recreational amenities including Prince George's Plaza Community Center, local parks, Pyramid Atlantic Art Center, and the Brentwood Arts Exchange.
- High demand for affordable housing in a well-connected, amenity-rich area with access to jobs, transit, and essential services.



THE FAMILY BUILDINGS

9% LIHTC PROJECT COMPONENT



➤ **3-Story Garden Buildings**

➤ **50 affordable family units**

➤ **Unit Mix:**

- 18 one-bedroom units
- 19 two-bedroom units
- 13 three-bedroom units

➤ **Affordability*:**

- 8 PSH project-based voucher units at 20% AMI.
- 7 PSH units at 20% AMI.
- 35 affordable units at 60% AMI or below.

➤ **Amenities:** Fitness center, multipurpose room, management suite, telework spaces, exterior seating terrace, and tot lot

THE SENIOR BUILDING

4% LIHTC PROJECT COMPONENT



➤ **4-Story Elevator Building**

➤ **Total Units:** 70 affordable senior units

➤ **Unit Mix:**

- 63 one-bedroom units
- 7 two-bedroom units

➤ **Affordability*:**

- 8 PSH project-based voucher units at 30% AMI
- 7 PSH units at 30% AMI
- 55 affordable units at 60% AMI or below.

➤ **Amenities:** Fitness center, multipurpose room, management suite

PILOT REQUEST SUMMARY

CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

➤ **Requesting PILOT agreements for both 9% and 4% projects:**

- **9% Project:** \$152 per unit per year, total projected reduction of \$18,900 in year one
- **4% Project:** \$116 per unit per year, total projected reduction of \$26,460 in year one

➤ **Matching PG DHCD's PILOT structure.**

- PG DHCD allows a maximum abatement request of \$600 per affordable unit per year on county taxes
- 40-year term, aligning with county PILOT

➤ **City to receive new tax revenue of \$15,682 in year one, increasing annually**

REQUEST SUMMARY

PILOT COMPARISON CHART*

CATEGORY	COUNTY PILOT		HYATTSVILLE PILOT	
	<i>9% Project</i>	<i>4% Project</i>	<i>9% Project</i>	<i>4% Project</i>
Abatement per Affordable Unit	\$600/unit/year*	\$600/unit/year*	\$378/unit/year*	\$378/unit/year*
Tax per Unit	\$240/unit/year	\$183/unit/year	\$152/unit/year	\$116/unit/year
Tax Reduction	71.4%*	76.6%*	71.4%*	76.6%*
Term Length	40 Years	40 Years	40 Years	40 Years
New Tax Revenue in Year One	\$12,034	\$12,859	\$7,581	\$8,101
Current Revenue	\$0		\$0	
Net Revenue Increase	\$24,893		\$15,682	

*Approximate numbers subject to change based on completed property valuation

JUSTIFICATION

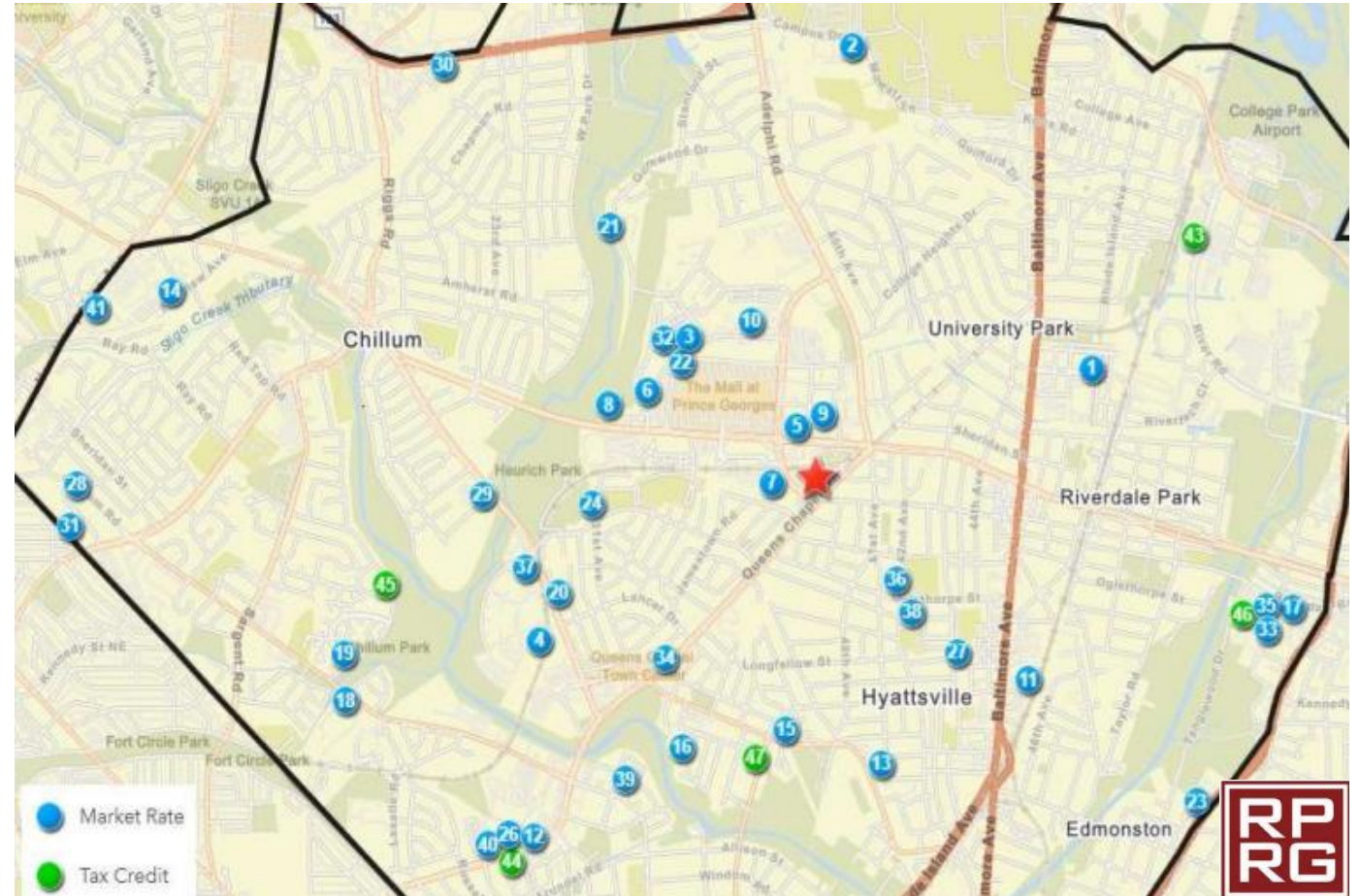
NEW REVENUE GENERATION & EQUITABLE TAX BURDEN

- The church currently pays **no taxes - \$0 revenue for Hyattsville**
- The project will pay **\$15,682 in year one** to Hyattsville
- Developing affordable housing is the **best and only feasible use** of the excess church land
- Aligning with the **PG DHCD PILOT program** ensures fair burden sharing between city and county
- The city can **leverage the county's established process**, reducing administrative workload and ensuring efficient execution

BROADER COMMUNITY IMPACT

ADDRESSING MARKET GAPS & EXPANDING HOUSING ACCESS (RPRG MARKET STUDY)

- The first affordable multifamily rental targeting $\leq 60\%$ AMI in over 20 years
- High-quality mid-rise design, location, and amenities enhance competitiveness
- Unit sizes comparable to market area averages, ensuring quality living space
- 30% AMI units will be the only such units in the market, creating a much-needed housing option
- Will directly impact the roughly 2,000 homeless residents in PG County
- PILOT will help spur significant federal, state and county investment in Hyattsville through the LIHTC program (\$53mm total development cost)



THANK YOU!

We appreciate the City's support in making this transformative redevelopment a reality.

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Agenda Item Report

File #: HCC-300-FY25

4/7/2025

7.b.

Submitted by: At the Request of the City Administrator
Submitting Department: Community & Economic Development
Agenda Section: Presentation

Item Title:
Hyattsville Elementary School Construction Update

Suggested Action:
N/A

Summary Background:

The Department of Capital Programs partners with the Alternative Infrastructure Planning & Development Office on the Blueprint Schools Program, a groundbreaking public-private partnership aimed at accelerating the modernization of schools. Shawn Matlock, Director, Office of Alternative Infrastructure Planning and Development for Prince George's County Public Schools will update the City Council on the status of the construction of Hyattsville Elementary School where PGCPs proposes to replace the existing Hyattsville Elementary School building with a new, 2-story educational building with an estimated total area of 83,195 SF. A portion of the existing building will be restored and integrated into the new construction.

Next Steps:
N/A

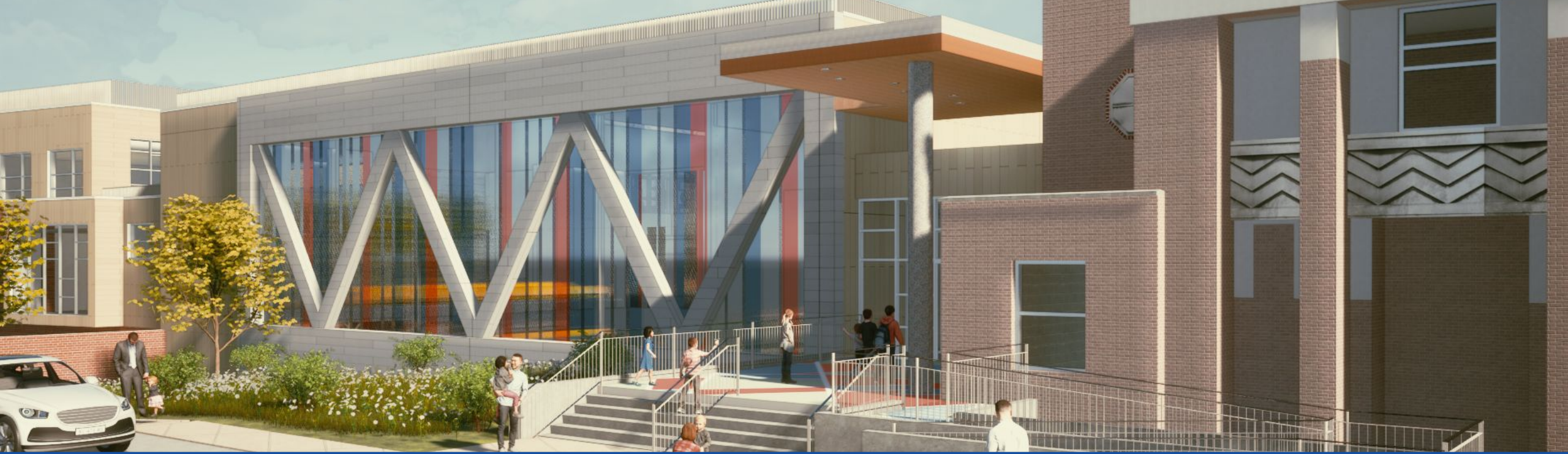
Fiscal Impact:
N/A

City Administrator Comments:
N/A

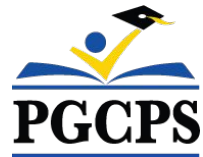
Community Engagement:
PGCPs and MCU Development have provided the City's Educational Facilities Task Force (EFTF) with updates at their regularly scheduled meetings.

Strategic Goals:
Goal 5 - Strengthen the City's Identity as a Diverse, Creative, and Welcoming Community

Legal Review Required?
N/A



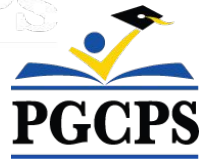
PGCPS . **ENGAGE . DESIGN . BUILD . COMMUNICATE** . PGCPS



HYATTSVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PROJECT KICK-OFF MEETING | DECEMBER 21, 2023, 7:00 PM





Our Commitment

PGCPS is committed to moving swiftly to deliver safe, state-of-the-art, and sustainable learning environments for our students, teachers, and communities.



Agenda

- Team Introductions
- Schedule
- Preliminary Design
- Construction Logistics
- Q&A



Team Introductions



Jeff Barr
PLENARY
Registered Representative

Hafeez Habib
PLENARY
Equity Members' Lead Project Manager

Brett Sullivan
PLENARY
Associate

Adam Dunn
PLENARY
Assistant Project Manager

Jeremy Ebie
PHOENIX
Equity Members' Project Manager

Rob Summers
PHOENIX
Operating Partner

Peter Bullen
ELLISDON CAPITAL
Senior Director



Bill Beschorner
MCN
Construction Process Executive in Charge

Bassem Boustany
MCN
Principal

Yonas Menji
MCN
Lead Construction Manager

Rick Munford
MCN
Preconstruction Director



Sean O'Donnell
PERKINS EASTMAN
Design Process Executive In Charge & Lead Architect

Omar Calderon
PERKINS EASTMAN
Design Principal



Ronnie McGhee
RMc
Principal-in Charge

Alena Skotar
RMc
Design Principal



Pete Cambell
ELLISDON FS
Director, P3 Pursuits

Brandon Kelley
USF
Vice President

Johnathan Bolden
RSC
President



Team Introductions

Hyattsville Elementary School

Dr. Richard T. McKee Jr, Principal

Blueprint Schools

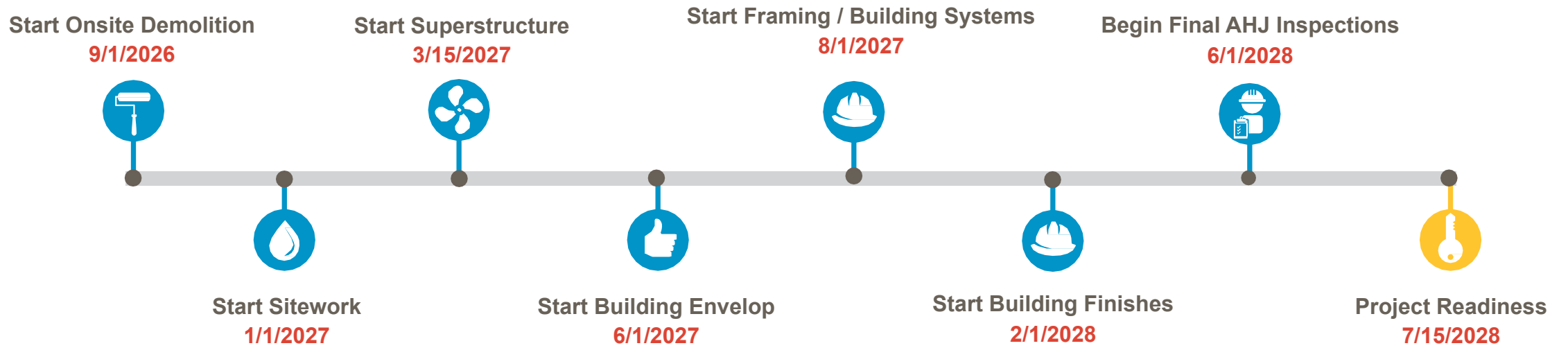
- **Shawn Matlock**, *Director*
- **Herb Allen**, *Project Manager*
- **Loretta White**, *Advisor*
- **Erika Stephenson**, *Support*

PGCPS

- **Jason Washington**, *Associate Superintendent of Supporting Services*



Schedule Overview





Preliminary First Floor Plan

- Garage
- Pre-K and K Classrooms have direct access to the Ground
- Dining Room at Arriving Level



Note: Design is subject to change

The Heart – Dining Room

DEPARTMENT LEGEND

- ACADEMIC
- ADMINISTRATION
- BUILDING SERVICES
- CIRCULATION
- LEARNING
- STUDENT DINING
- SUPPORT



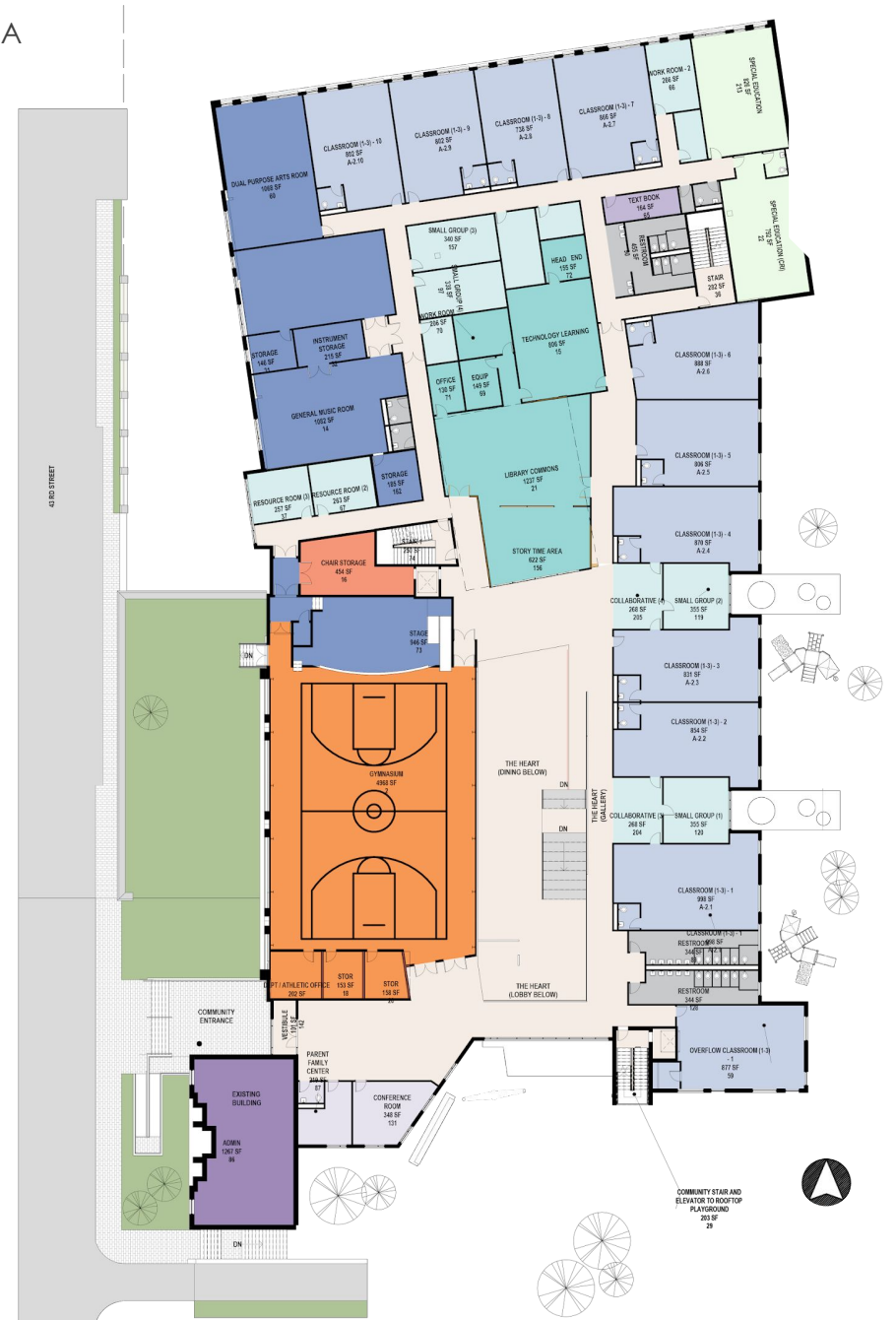


Preliminary Second Floor Plan

- Inviting **Media Center**
- **Gymnasium** with Stage for School and Community use
- **Collaboration Areas** are distributed between Classrooms
- **Performance Art** near of the Stage
- **Health Suite** at the Entrance

DEPARTMENT LEGEND

	ACADEMIC
	ADMINISTRATION
	CIRCULATION
	LEARNING
	MEDIA CENTER
	NURSE'S SUITE
	PERFORMING ARTS
	PHYSICAL EDUCATION
	SPECIAL EDUCATION
	STUDENT DINING
	STUDENT SERVICES
	SUPPORT



Note: Design is subject to change

Preliminary Third Floor Plan



PROPOSED NET AREA – 57,660 SF
 PROPOSED GROSS AREA – 80,721 SF

DEPARTMENT LEGEND

- ACADEMIC
- CIRCULATION
- LEARNING
- PHYSICAL EDUCATION
- VISUAL ART



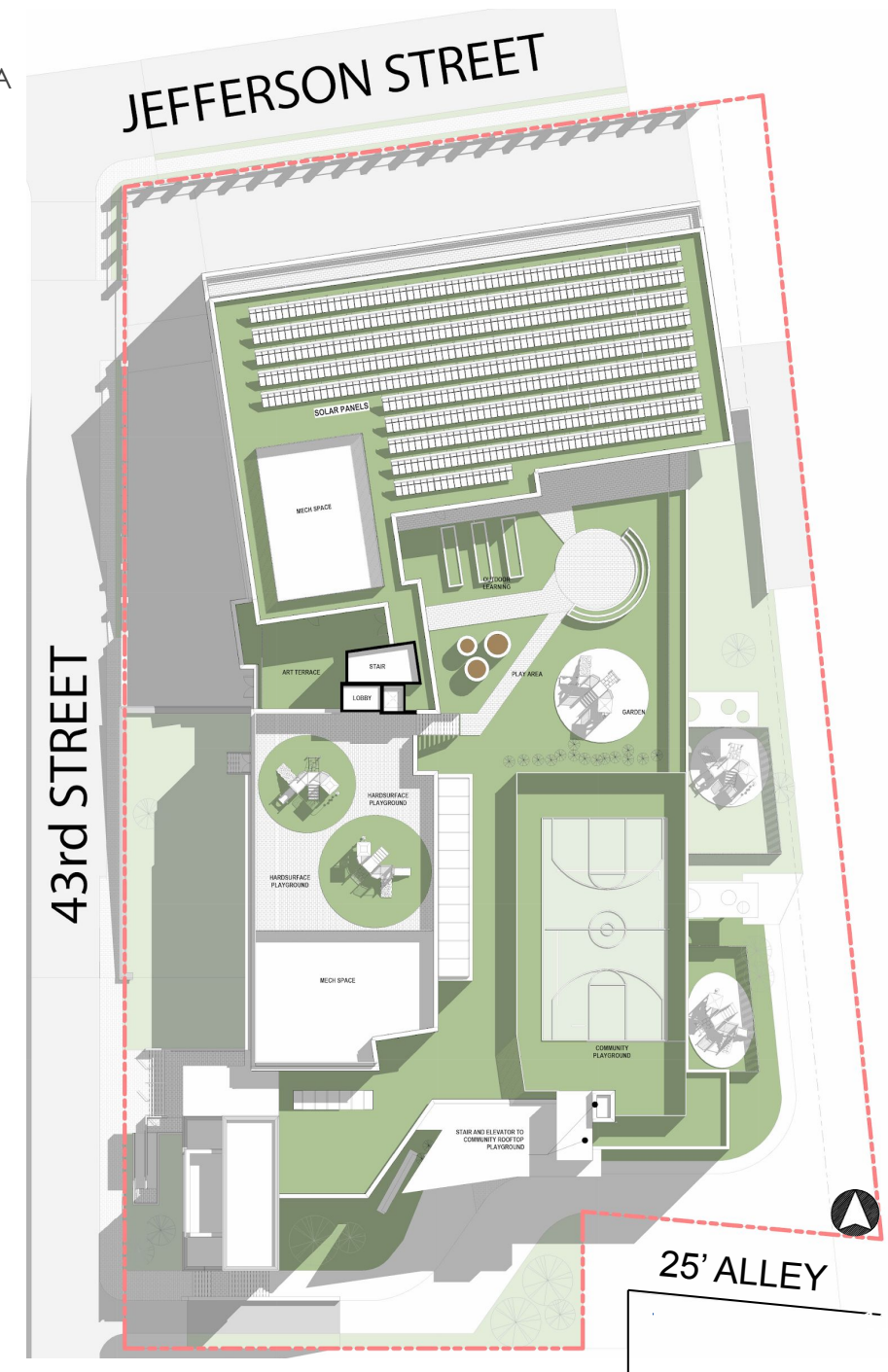
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The Heart – Gallery



Preliminary Roof Plan

- **Outdoor Education Zone** for engaging and interactive educational experience
- Integrated **Hard/Soft Surface Playground** for diverse recreational activities
- **Artistic Terrace** for Visual Art Classroom
- **Community Playground** with secured separated entrance
- **Solar Panels** integration for Sustainable Energy Generation



Note: Design is subject to change



Preliminary Community Entrance Elevation

Existing Conditions



Note: Design is subject to change



Preliminary Student Entrance Elevation

Existing Conditions



Note: Design is subject to change

Preliminary Pre-K and K Drop-off Area Perspective View

Existing Conditions



Note: Design is subject to change



Preliminary Corner View From 43rd Street (Students Artwork)

Existing Conditions



Note: Design is subject to change



Preliminary Rooftop Playground



Note: Design is subject to change



Preliminary Axonometric View



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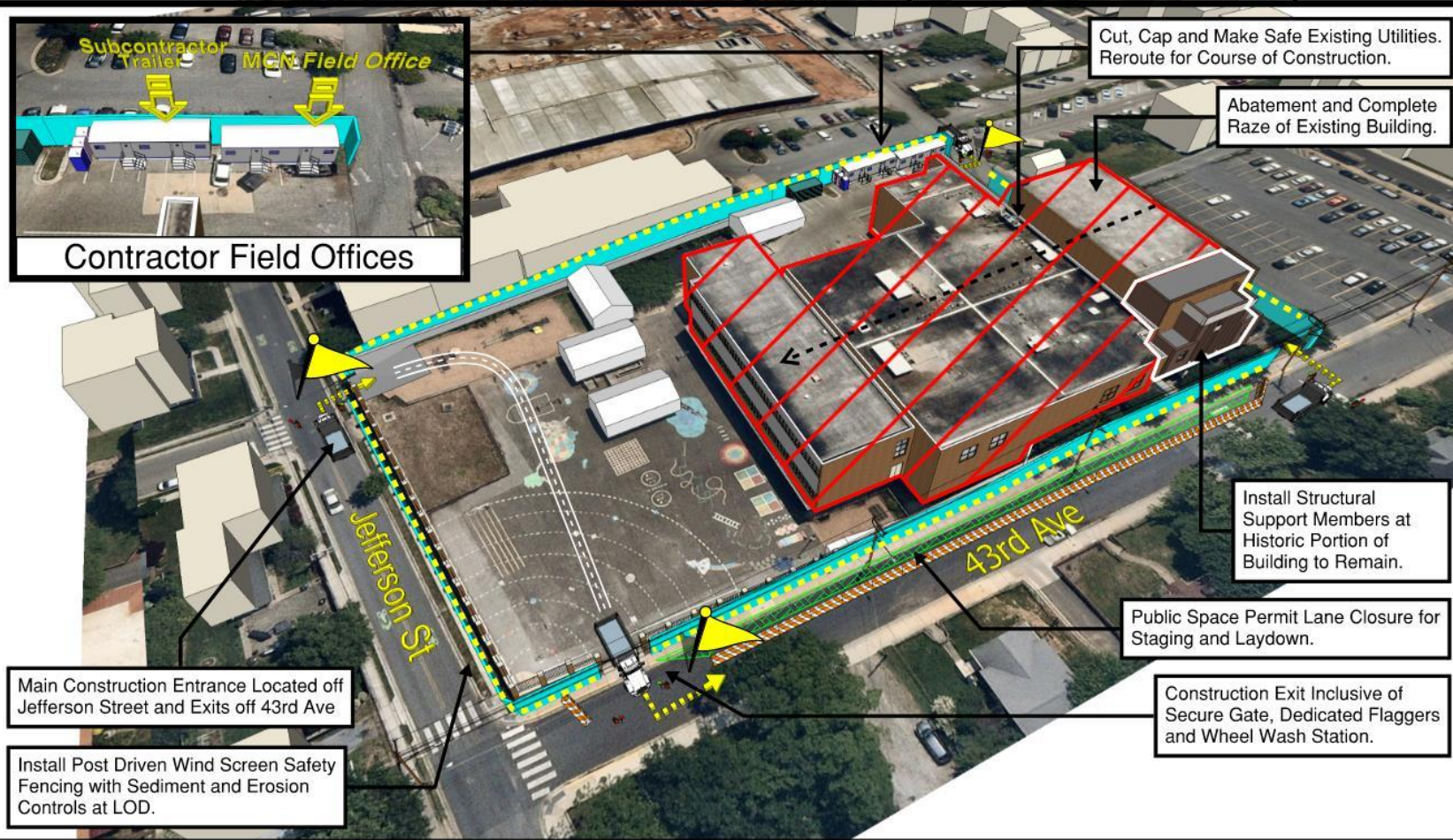
Hyattsville ES: New Building Logistic & Phasing Plan



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Sequence 1 - Site Controls & Demolition



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- Sequence 2 - Excavation
- Sequence 3 - Super Structure & Steel Erection
- Sequence 4 - Final Site & Completion

- : Dedicated Flaggers
- : Vibration & Settlement Monitors

Due to the constrained location of the site, maintaining control and ensuring access will be crucial. To address this, MCN proposes the construction of an earth ramp egress entry gate off Jefferson St., which will provide an exit onto N 43rd Ave. Partial lane closure on 43rd Ave. will be necessary for activities such as crane picks, overhead electrical line work, and staging. These measures are designed to manage site access effectively and ensure the safe execution of construction operations



NTS

Hyattsville ES: New Building Logistic & Phasing Plan

Sequence 2 - Excavation



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: Dedicated Flaggers

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Once the selective demolition of the existing school building is completed, MCN will proceed with excavation, utilizing sheeting and shoring techniques to provide support for the subgrade parking garage. The layback method will be employed for the remaining areas. Special attention will be given to the historic portion of the building, ensuring it is protected throughout the entire construction process. Structural supports will be added to maintain the integrity and safety of this significant section.



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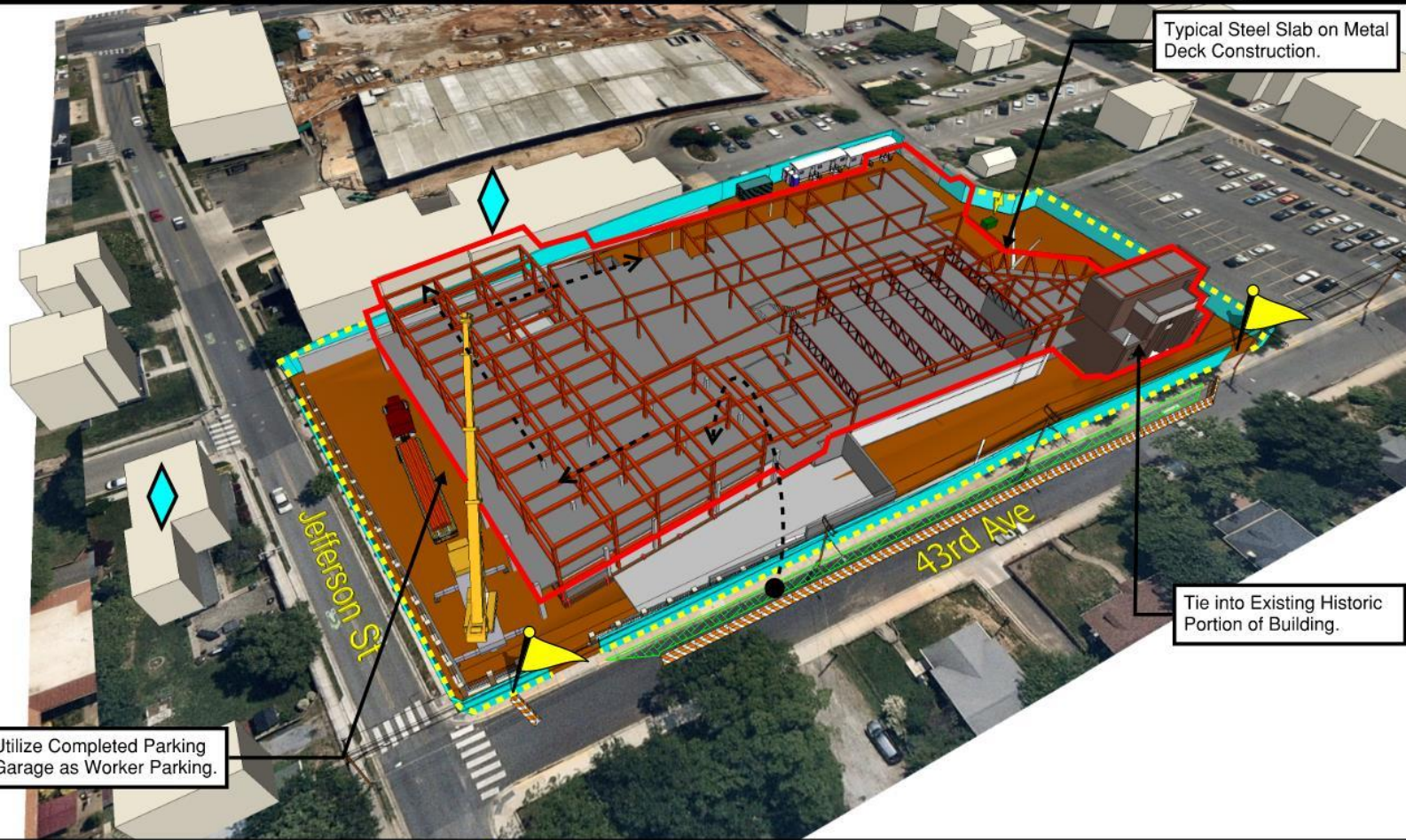
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Sequence 1 - Site Controls & Demolition

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Sequence 4 - Final Site & Completion

- : Dedicated Flaggers
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Building structural components will be picked from 43rd Ave. and installed, progressing in a clockwise direction. Once the cast in place concrete foundation is installed, the rest of the building will be constructed using the conventional steel slab on metal deck construction method. Special attention will be given to seamlessly integrating the cast in place construction components with both the existing historic portion and the ongoing steel construction, ensuring a cohesive and unified structure.



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Sequence 4 - Final Site & Completion



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After the completion of the building enclosure, the remaining major portion of the interior construction will commence. Workers will be parking in the parking garage during this phase. Once the tower crane is no longer necessary, the closure of 43rd Ave. will be required. The interior construction and final site work will progress simultaneously and be completed together.



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Questions



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Agenda Item Report

File #: HCC-298-FY25

4/7/2025

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Submitted by: Laura Reams
Submitting Department: Communications
Agenda Section: Presentation

Item Title:
2025 Resident Satisfaction Survey Results

Suggested Action:
For Presentation

Summary Background:

The City contracted with Probolsky Research in 2024 to conduct a Resident Satisfaction Survey in the incorporated City of Hyattsville. The intent of the survey was to better understand concerns and opinions of City residents, and to monitor trends over time.

The City's Communications staff coordinated with Probolsky Research and City Department Directors to build a 60-question survey that was distributed to City residents in January 2025. While some questions reflected new City programs or priorities, others were repeat questions from past surveys so satisfaction levels could be benchmarked against responses collected in 2018 and 2015.

Survey participants were selected at random based on available demographic information. The research team sought responses from a sample of the population that proportionally represented City Wards, ages, income levels, and other demographics per the 2020 Census. Surveys were mailed, with the option to complete by paper, online, by phone, or text message. To ensure an accurate distribution of results across demographics, some households received follow-up calls or texts from researchers encouraging them to participate. Surveys and response methods were available in English and Spanish.

Data collection was completed at the end of February 2025, and 605 results were analyzed. The full presentation and final report are available at hyattsville.org/survey.

Next Steps:

Following the presentation to Council, City Communications staff will publicize the survey results through the City's print and digital communications. The survey report is available to the public at hyattsville.org/survey.

City staff will be reviewing the data in greater detail to guide decision making on departmental programs and priorities.

Fiscal Impact:

The City contracted with Probolsky Research in FY 25 following an RFP selection process. The total cost of the contract was \$34,900. The City budgeted \$35,000 for the project.

City Administrator Comments:

The information collected will be evaluated and will assist the staff with decision making and prioritizing programs, services, and short, mid, and longer term investments.

Community Engagement:

City Communications staff will publicize the results via the Hyattsville Reporter, e-mail/text communications, and social media.

Strategic Goals:

Goal 4 - Foster Excellence in all City Operations

Legal Review Required?

N/A

City of Hyattsville Community Survey Executive Presentation

April 2025



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City of Hyattsville– Community Survey

Survey Methodology*

	Survey Details
Mode	Phone (landline and mobile) Online (mail, email and text-to-web)
Language	English and Spanish
Length	15 minutes
Target Respondents	City of Hyattsville residents
Survey Fielding	January 15 – February 27, 2024
Margin of Error	+/-4.1%
Survey Participants	605

Sample

The sample was secured using consumer data. We sent mail, called, emailed, and texted residents. We matched the demographics of City of Hyattsville residents.

Data Collection Explained

Interviews were conducted with live U.S.-based interviewers by phone (26%) and online survey methods (74%). Phone participants were interviewed through landline (6%) and mobile (94%) calls. Online participants were email (13%) and text message (87%) to access the survey by computer, tablet, or smart phone. Respondents were also invited to complete the survey by mail either through a paper copy or online (42%).

Respondents in all modes chose their preferred language, English (94%) or Spanish (6%).

Security measures precluded individuals from completing the survey more than once.



Probolsky Research is a Latina- and woman-owned market and opinion research firm with corporate, election, government, and non-profit clients.

*Due to rounding, totals shown on charts may not add up to 100%

Key Findings

- Hyattsville is in line with regional benchmarks; residents are **highly satisfied with the City as a place to live (84%) and sense of community (75%)**.
- A majority feel the City government **addresses issues that are important to them (57%)** and that City **government is transparent (57%)**.
- **Communications are rated positively with 78% satisfaction** with quality and effectiveness of City communications, an overall upward trajectory. **80% indicate they know how to receive City communications**, and the top source preference are **City emails and/or text messages**.
- **Relationships between the police department and residents remains steady**, though there is opportunity to improve levels of communication. **68% of residents feel safe** in the City.
- There is some level of dissatisfaction with traffic flow (32%) and speeding prevention (32%).
- There are **marked improvements** over time in evaluation of infrastructure such as **maintenance of streets and sidewalks, street lighting, sidewalk availability, and parking availability**.
- Residents are largely **satisfied with parks, recreation, and City events & celebration opportunities**.
- **A majority are satisfied with the variety of restaurants/bars (67%), shops and stores (76%)**; affordable housing remains a concern.

Benchmark Comparisons

	City of Hyattsville (2025)	City of College Park (2022)	City of Takoma Park (2018)	City of Rockville (2024)	City of Alexandria (2024)	City of Falls Church (2025)	Town of Vienna (2018)	City of Fairfax (2016)	City of Annapolis (2023)	City of Manassas (2024)	City of Hampton (2022)	City of Norfolk (2024)	City of Charlottesville (2018)
Customer Service from Employees	Very satisfied or satisfied – 65%	Excellent or good – 79%	Excellent or good - 89%	Excellent or good – 84%	Very satisfied or satisfied - 63%	Excellent or good – 86%	Percent positive - 86%		Excellent or good - 72%	Very satisfied or satisfied - 69%	-	Very satisfied or satisfied – 44%	Excellent or good - 73%
Tax Dollar Value	Very satisfied or satisfied - 59%	Very satisfied or satisfied - 63%	-	Excellent or good – 63%	Very satisfied or satisfied - 44%	Satisfied or Very Satisfied - 79%	Percent positive - 68%		-	Very satisfied or satisfied - 42%	Very or somewhat satisfied - 47%	Very satisfied or satisfied 19%	Excellent or good - 57%
As a Place to Live	Very satisfied or satisfied – 84%	Excellent or good - 83%	Excellent or good - 91%*	Excellent or good - 93%	Excellent or good - 90%	-	-	Very satisfied or satisfied - 96%	Excellent or good - 80%	Excellent or good - 79%	Very or somewhat satisfied – 69%*	Excellent or good - 55%	Excellent or good - 87%

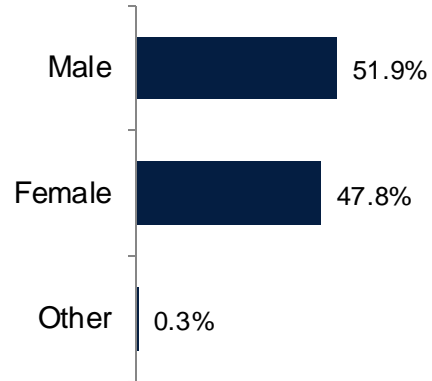
*Question comparison was to Quality of Life in Takoma Park, Fairfax, and Hampton



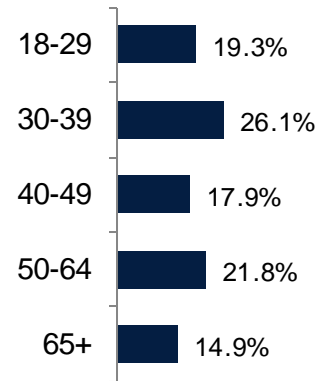
Demographics

Respondent demographics by gender, age group, ethnicity, ward, household income, and home type

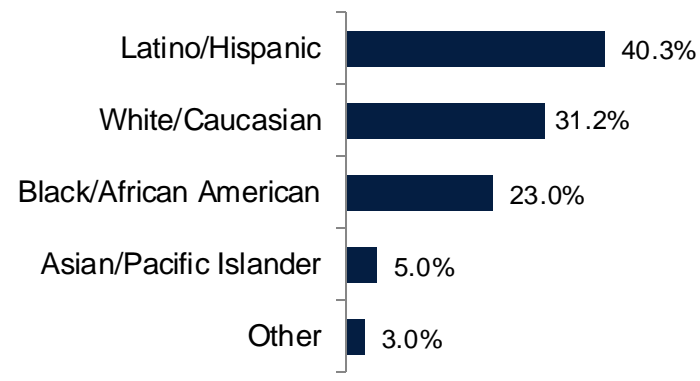
Gender



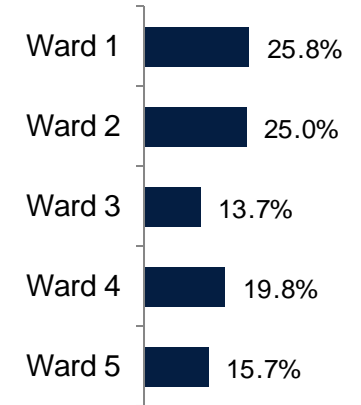
Age Group



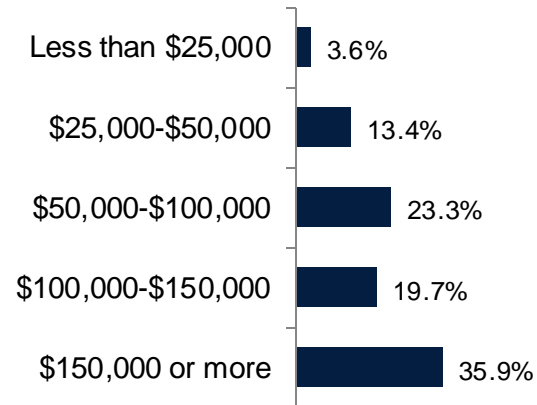
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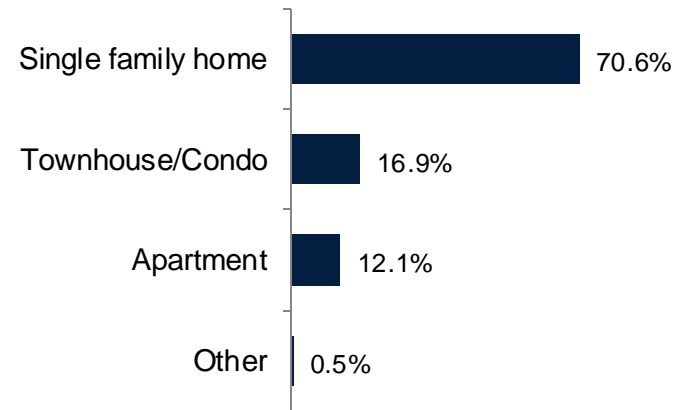
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Household Income

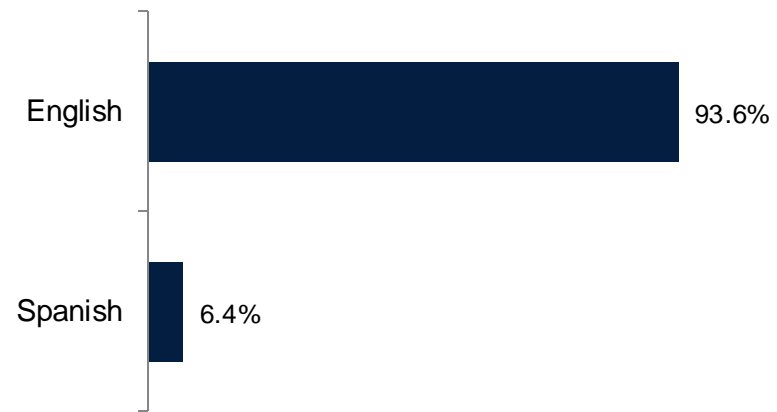


Home Type

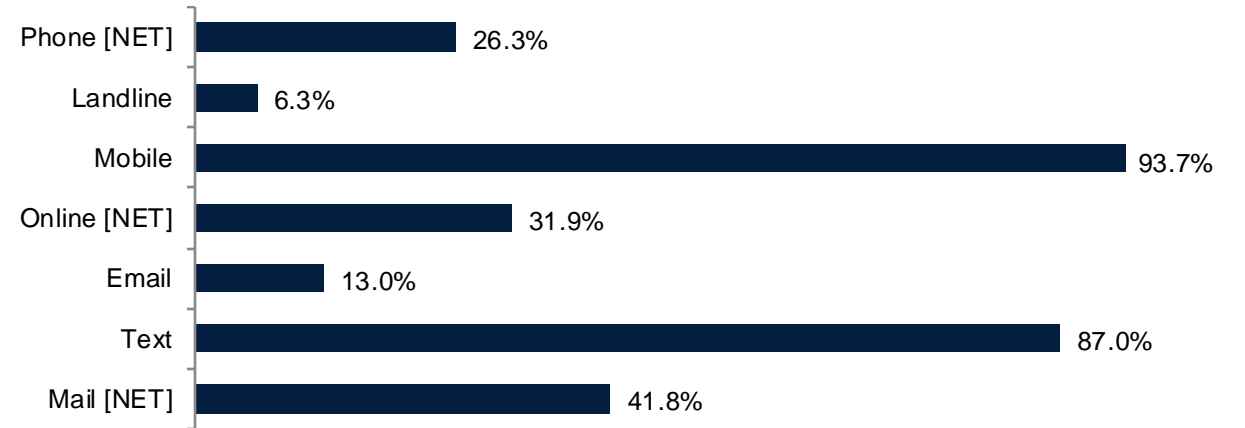


Respondent demographics by survey language and survey mode

Survey Language

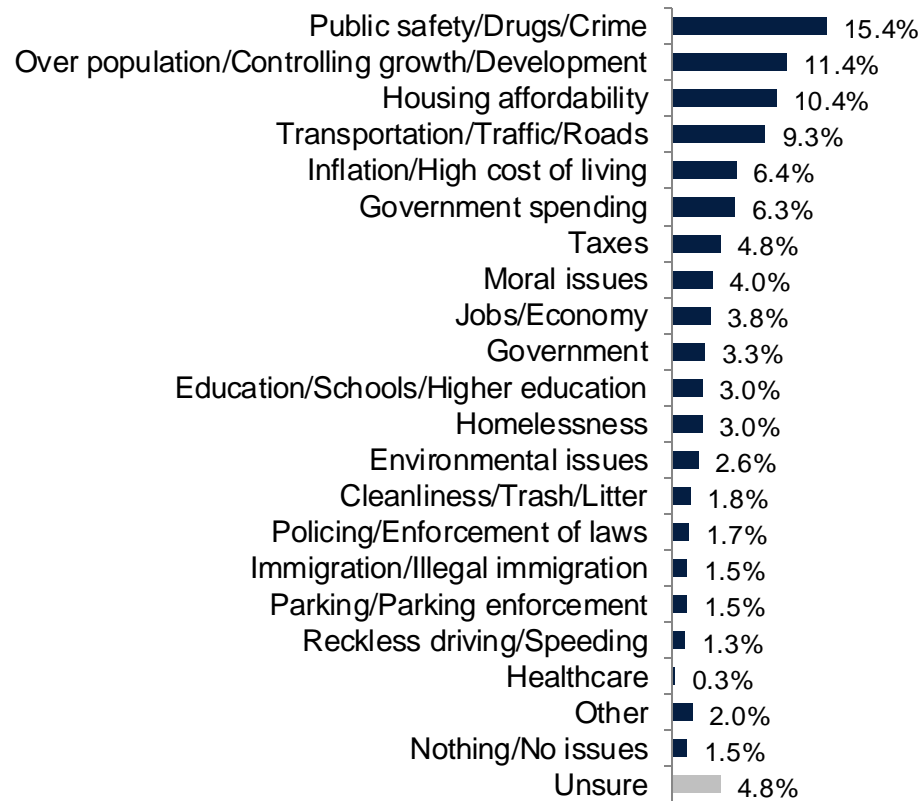


Survey Mode



Public safety/Drugs/Crime are the top-of-mind issues for Hyattsville residents

Question 16: In your own words, what do you feel is the most important issue facing Hyattsville today?
[OPEN-ENDED QUESTION]

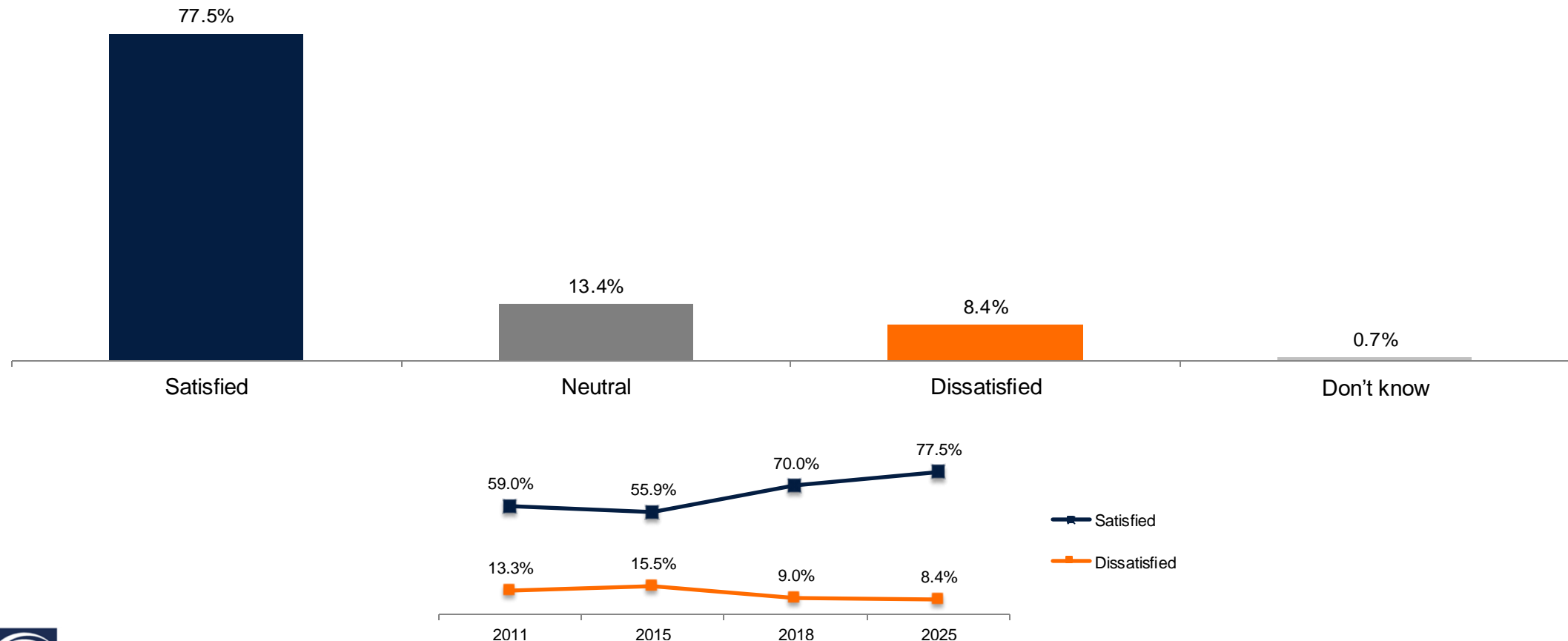


City Government

78% are satisfied with the overall quality and effectiveness of City communications with the public

Question 1: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

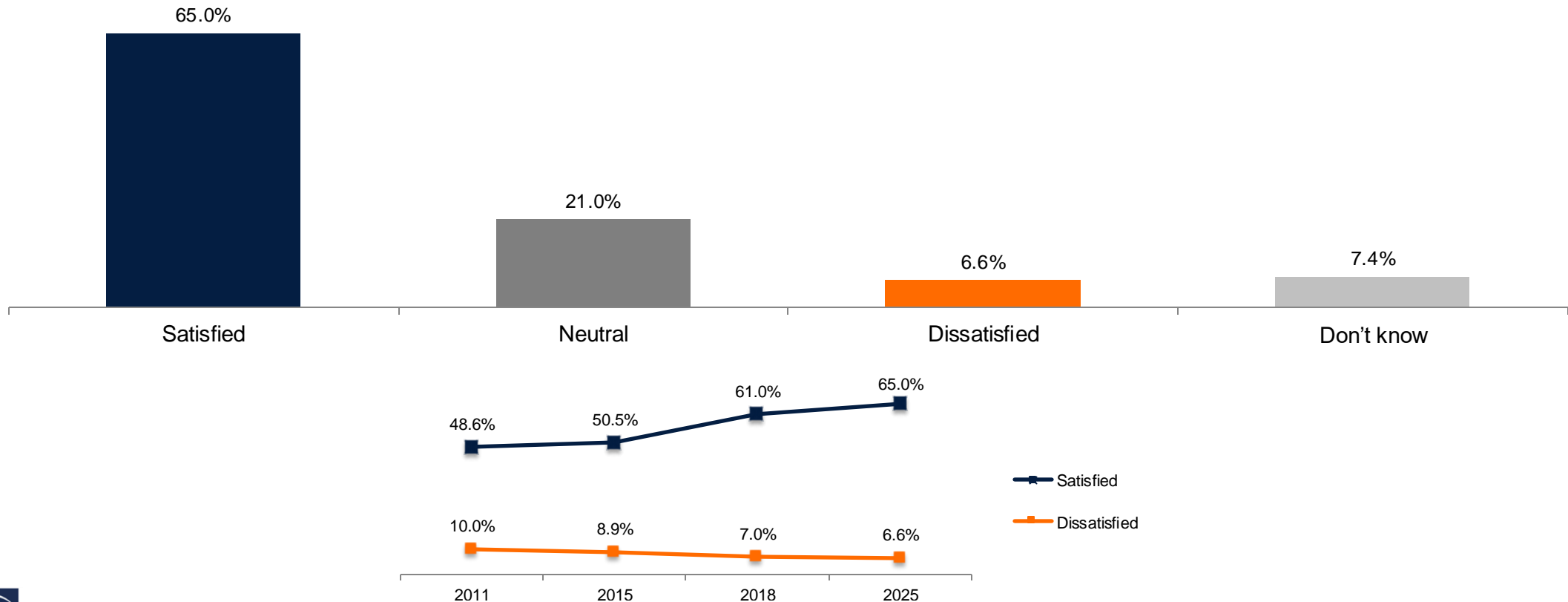
Overall quality and effectiveness of City communications with the public.



65% are satisfied with the overall quality of customer service from City employees

Question 2: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

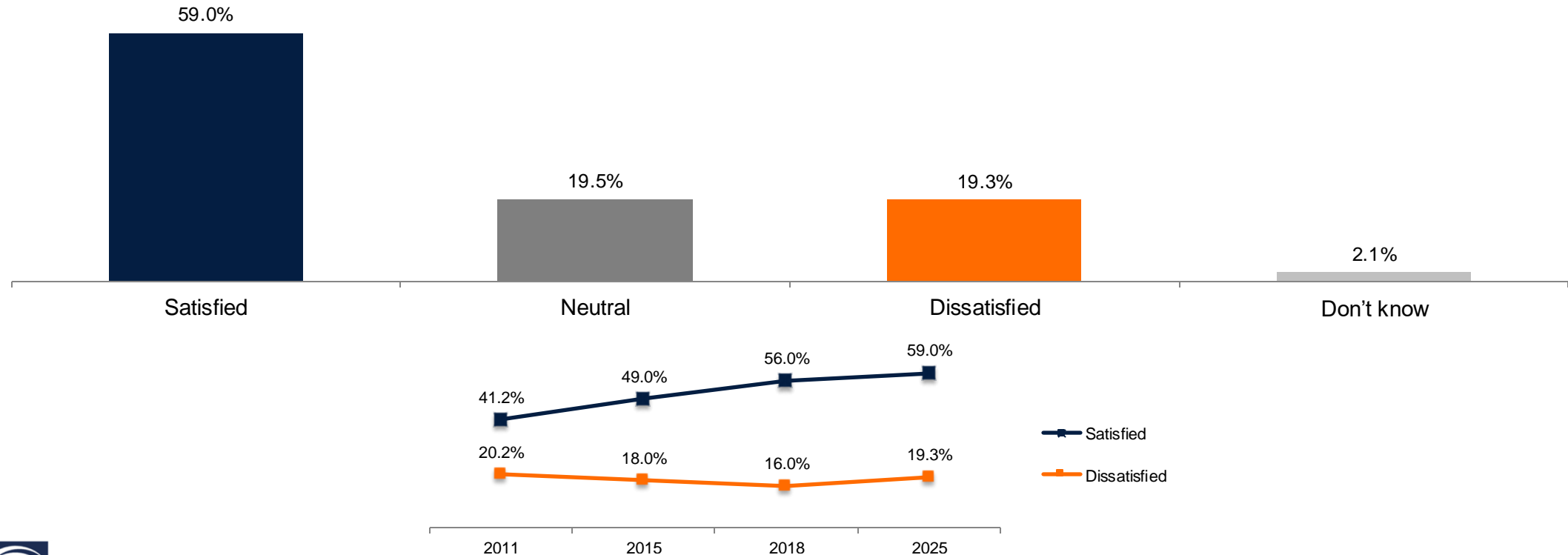
Overall quality of customer service from City employees.



59% are satisfied with the overall value they receive from the City for the taxes they pay

Question 3: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

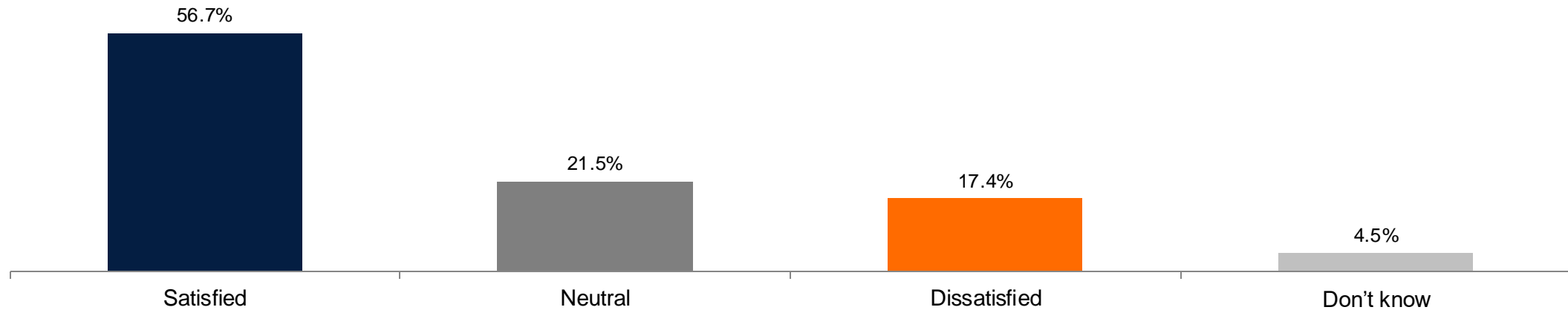
Overall value you receive from the City for your taxes



57% are satisfied with the transparency of Hyattsville City government

Question 4: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

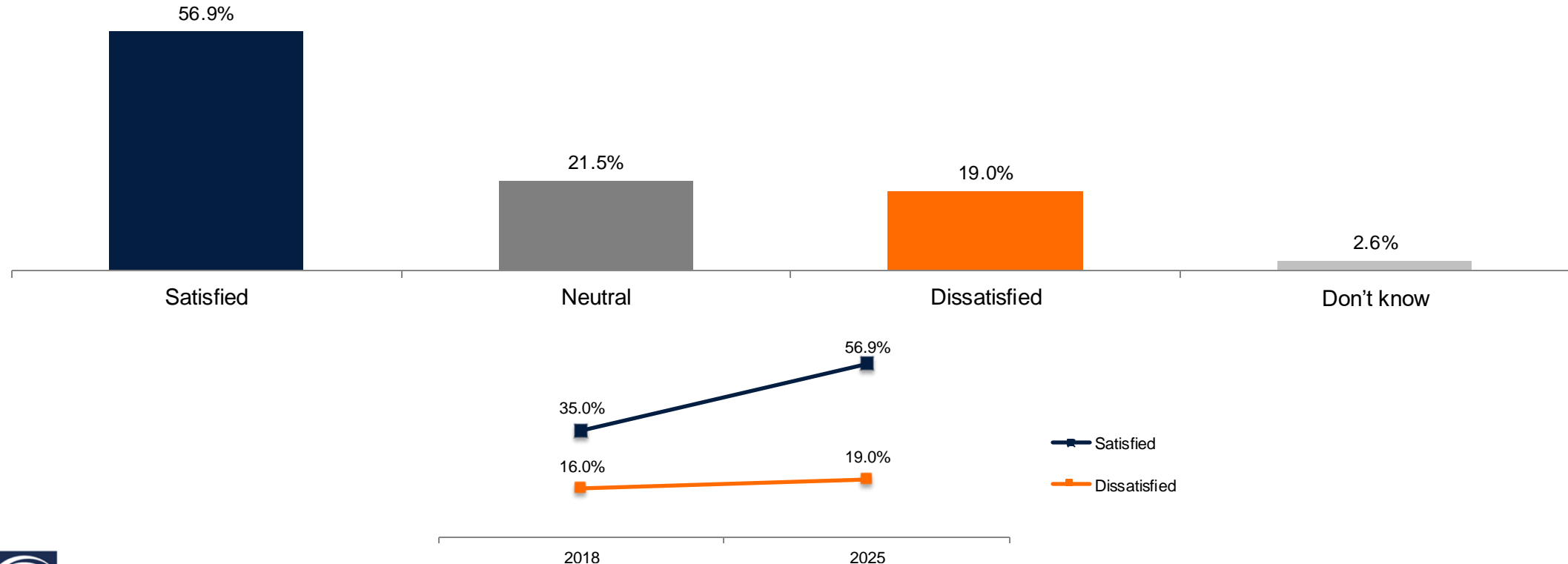
Transparency of Hyattsville City government



57% are satisfied with the extent to which City government addresses issues that are important to you

Question 5: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

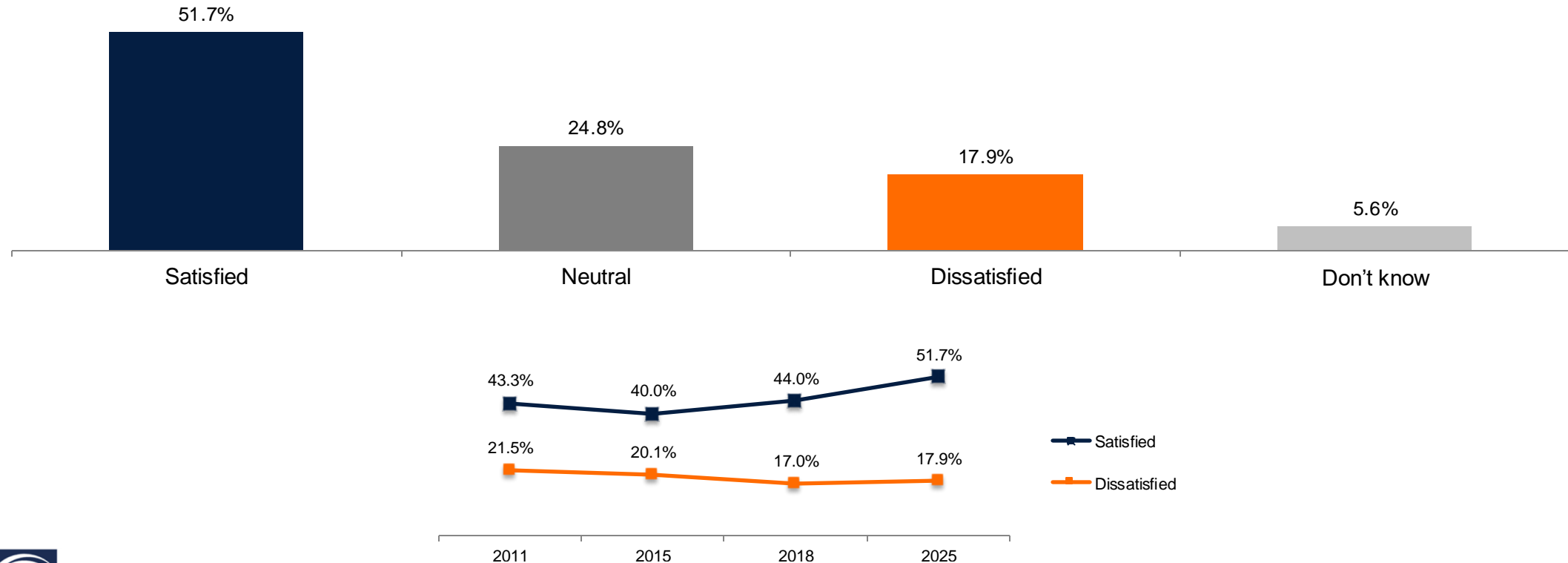
The extent to which City government addresses issues that are important to you



52% are satisfied with the overall enforcement of City codes and laws

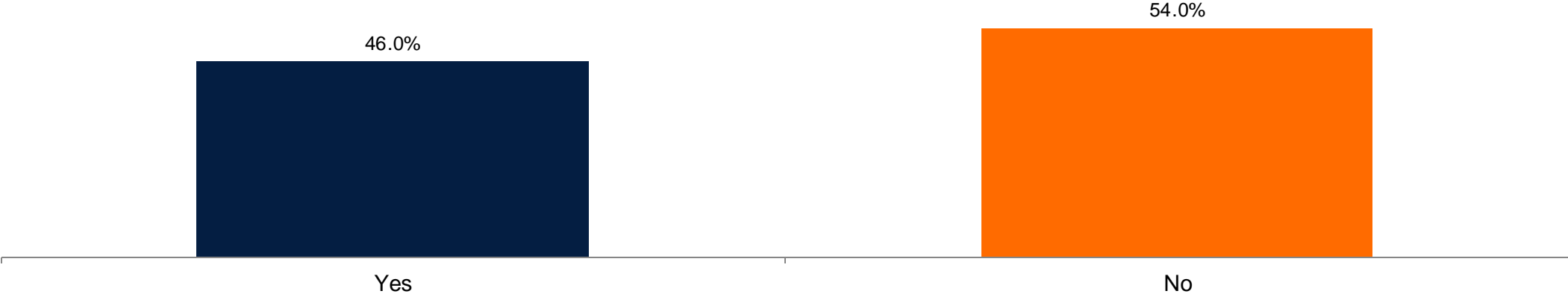
Question 6: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Overall enforcement of City codes and laws



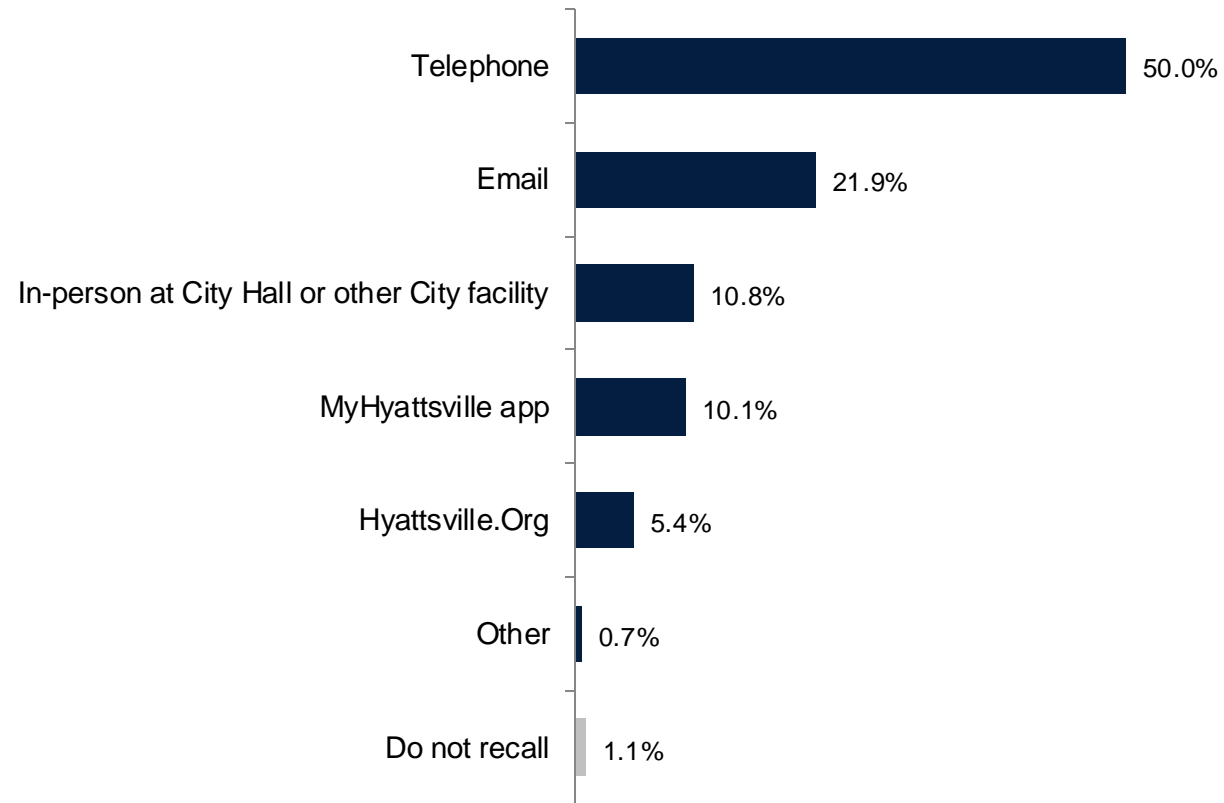
46% have contacted the City for a question or concern in the last 12 months

Question 7: Have you contacted the City for a question or concern in the last 12 months?



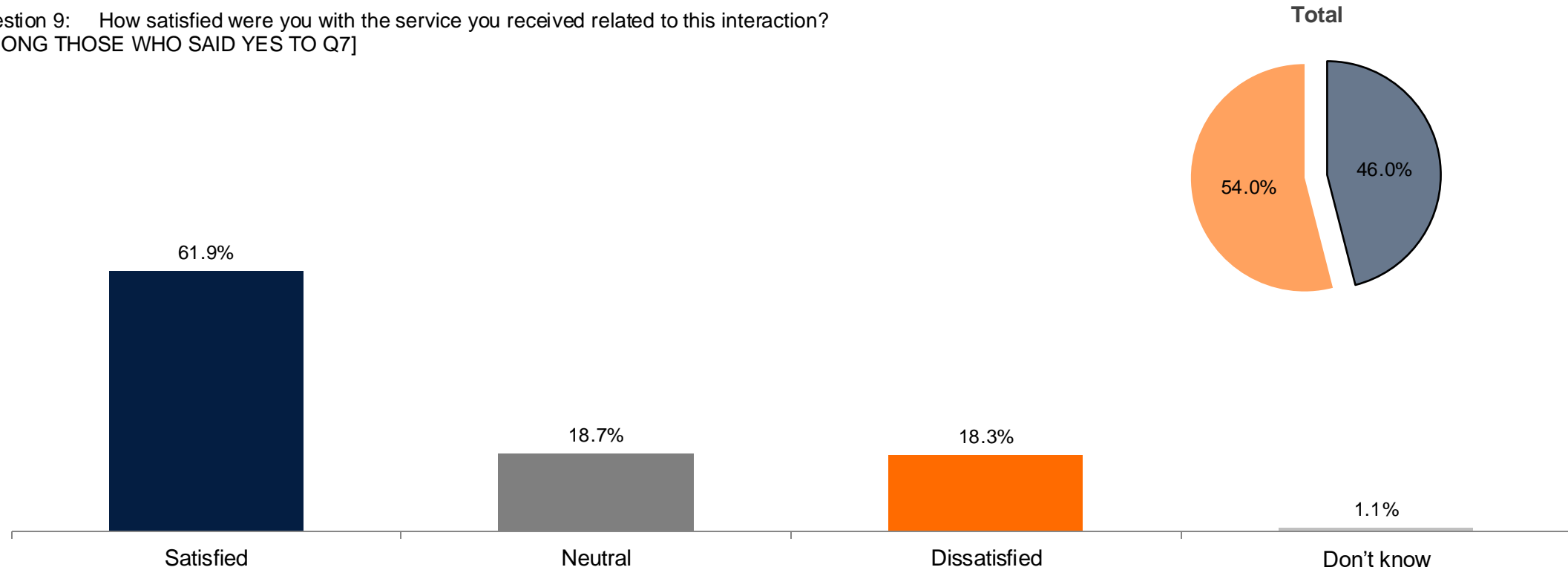
50% contacted the City via telephone

Question 8: How did you contact the City for this question or concern?
[AMONG THOSE WHO SAID YES TO Q7]



Among those who contacted the City, a big majority are satisfied with the service they received

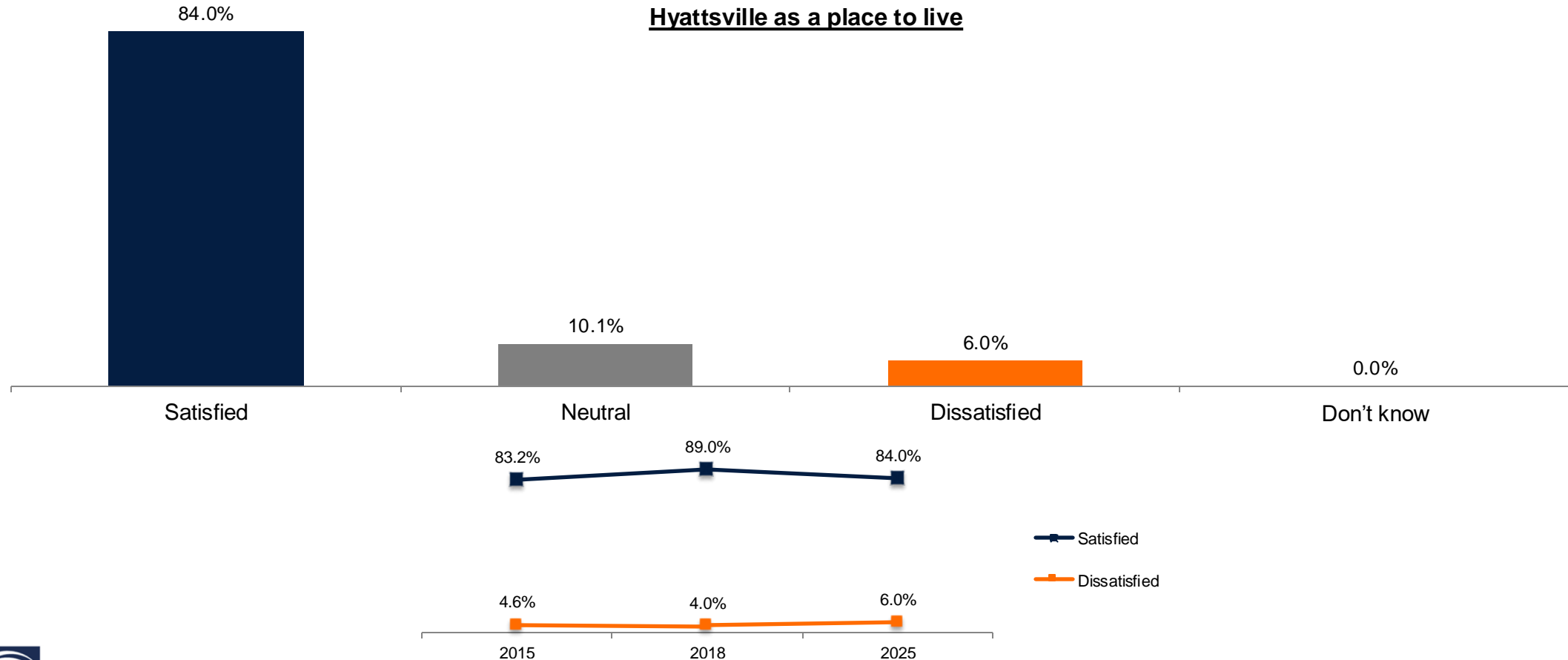
Question 9: How satisfied were you with the service you received related to this interaction?
[AMONG THOSE WHO SAID YES TO Q7]



Quality of Life

84% are satisfied with Hyattsville as a place to live

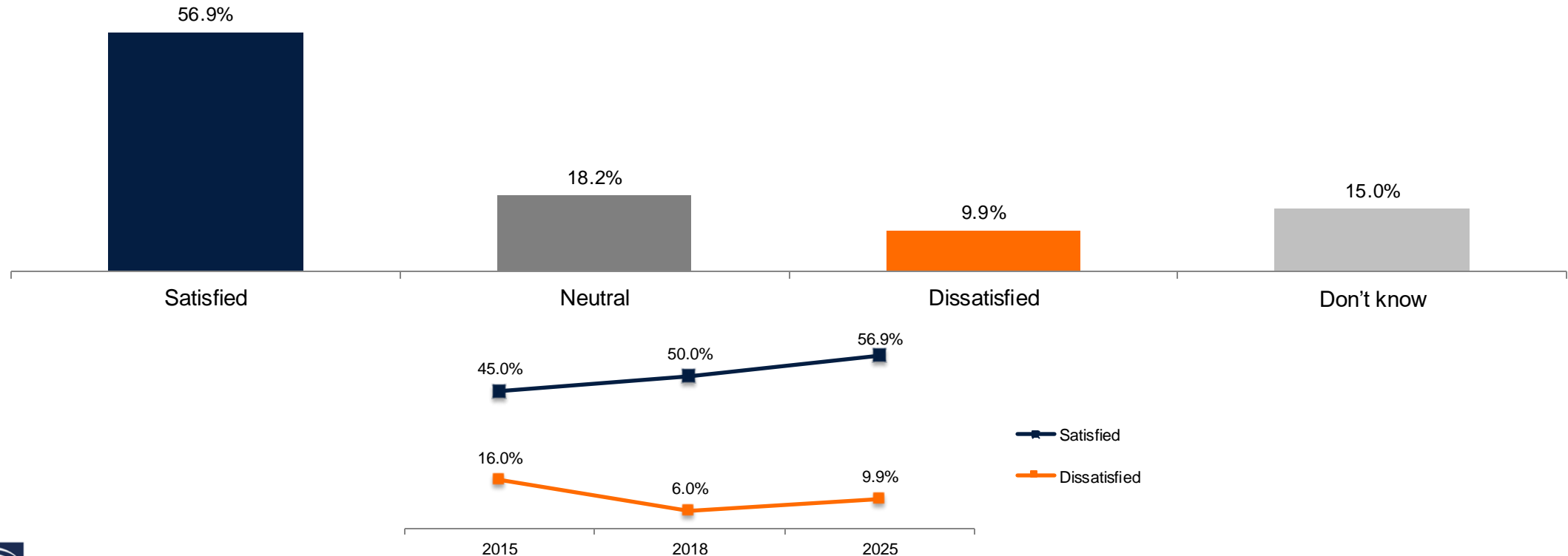
Question 10: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.



57% are satisfied with Hyattsville as a place to raise children

Question 11: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

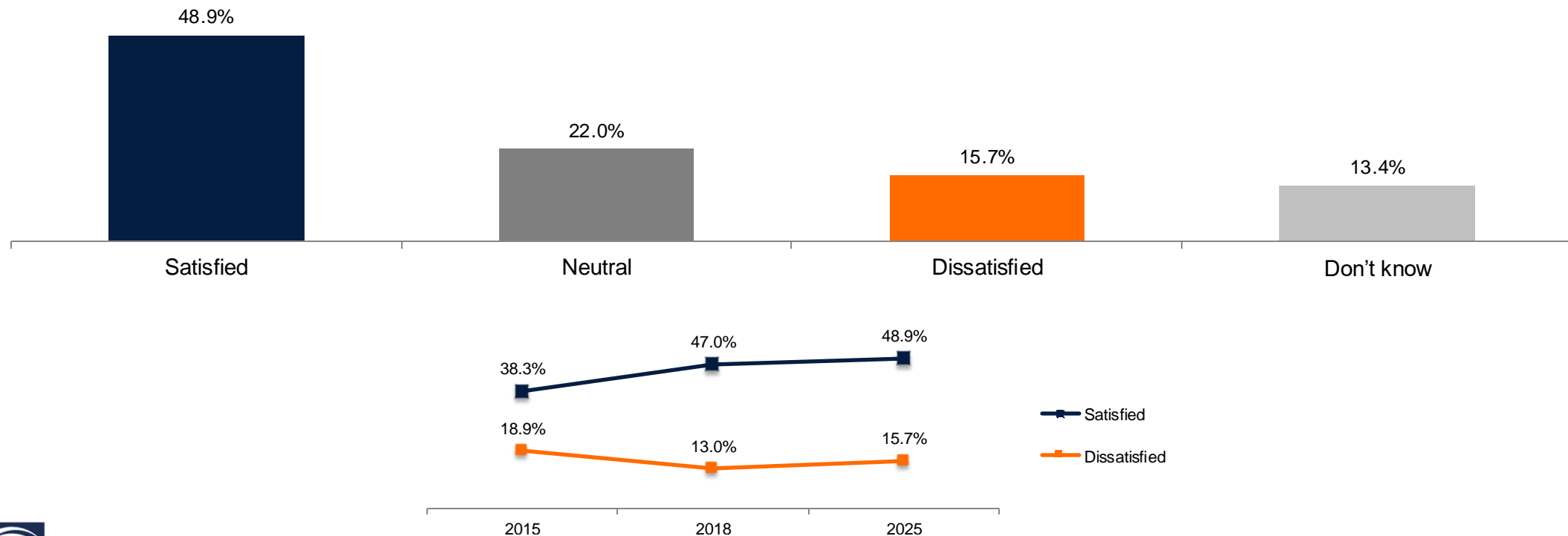
Hyattsville as a place to raise children



49% are satisfied with Hyattsville as a place to retire and grow older

Question 12: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

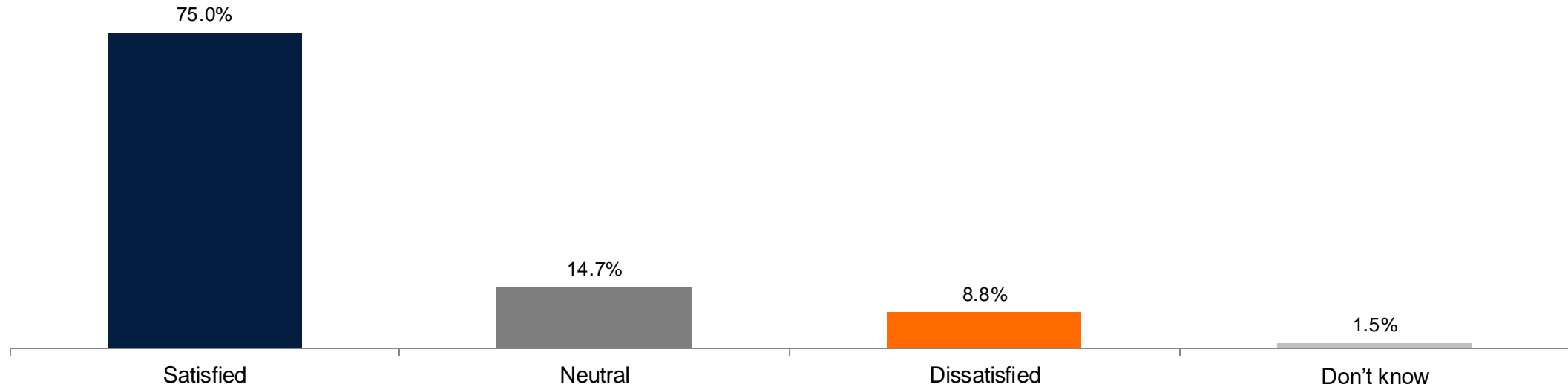
Hyattsville as a place to retire and grow older



75% are satisfied with the sense of community in Hyattsville

Question 13: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following. Sense of community in Hyattsville.

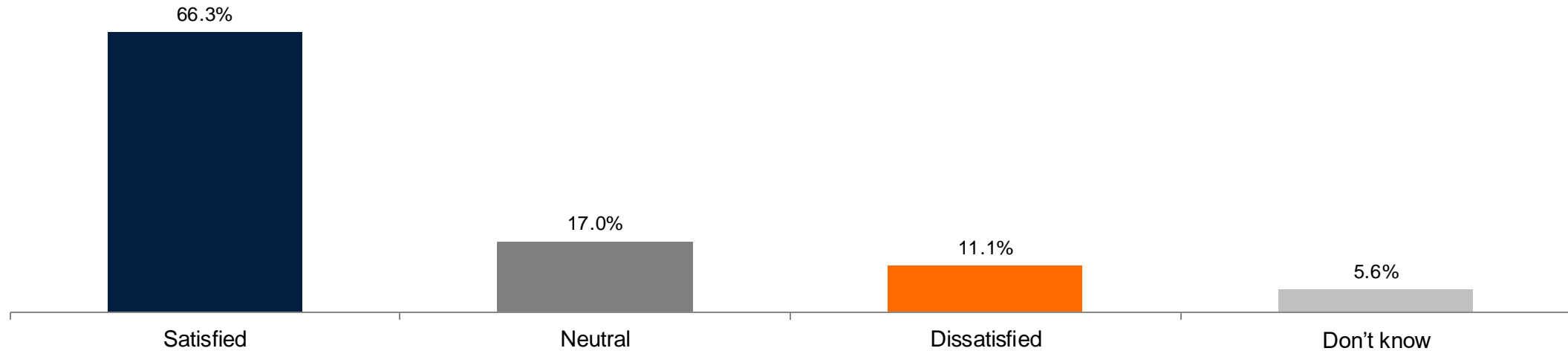
Sense of community in Hyattsville



66% are satisfied with Hyattsville as a place that provides services to all residents in a fair and equitable way

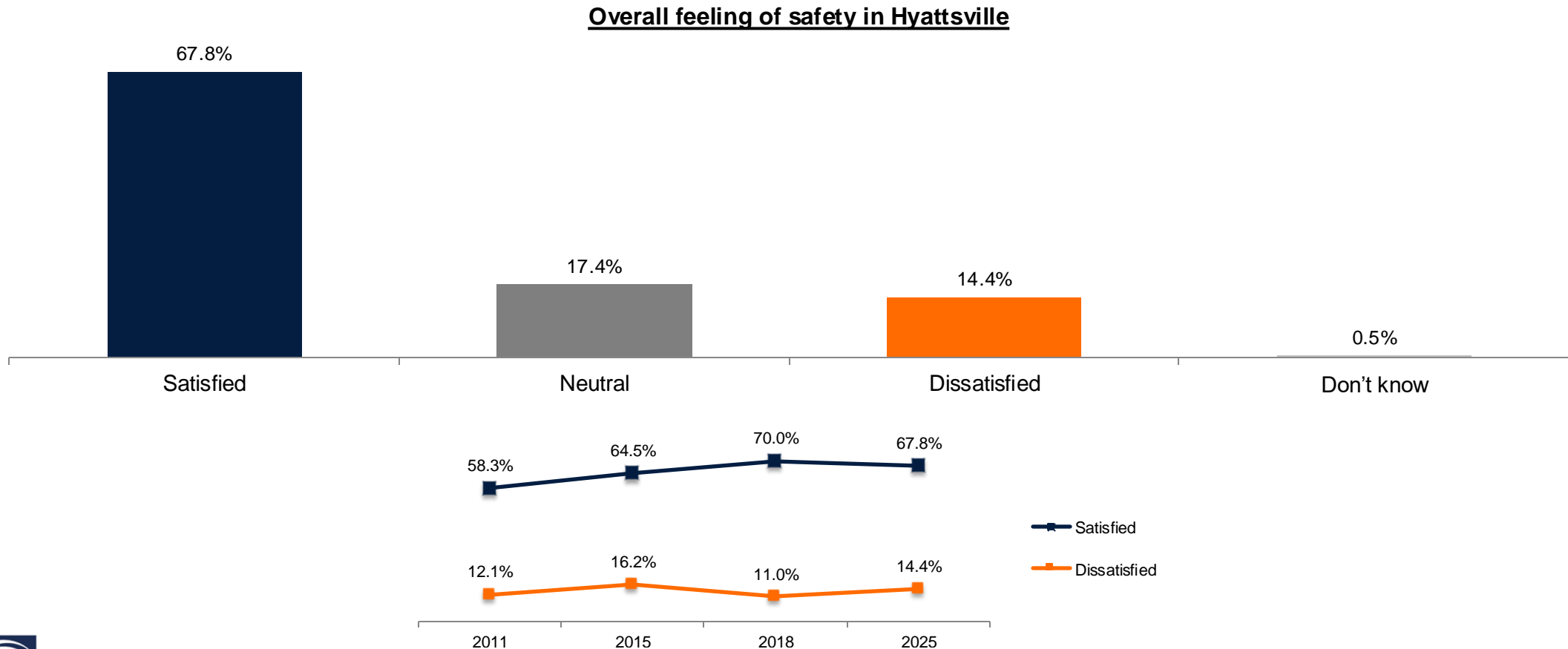
Question 14: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Hyattsville as a place that provides services to all residents in a fair and equitable way



68% are satisfied with the overall feeling of safety in Hyattsville

Question 15: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

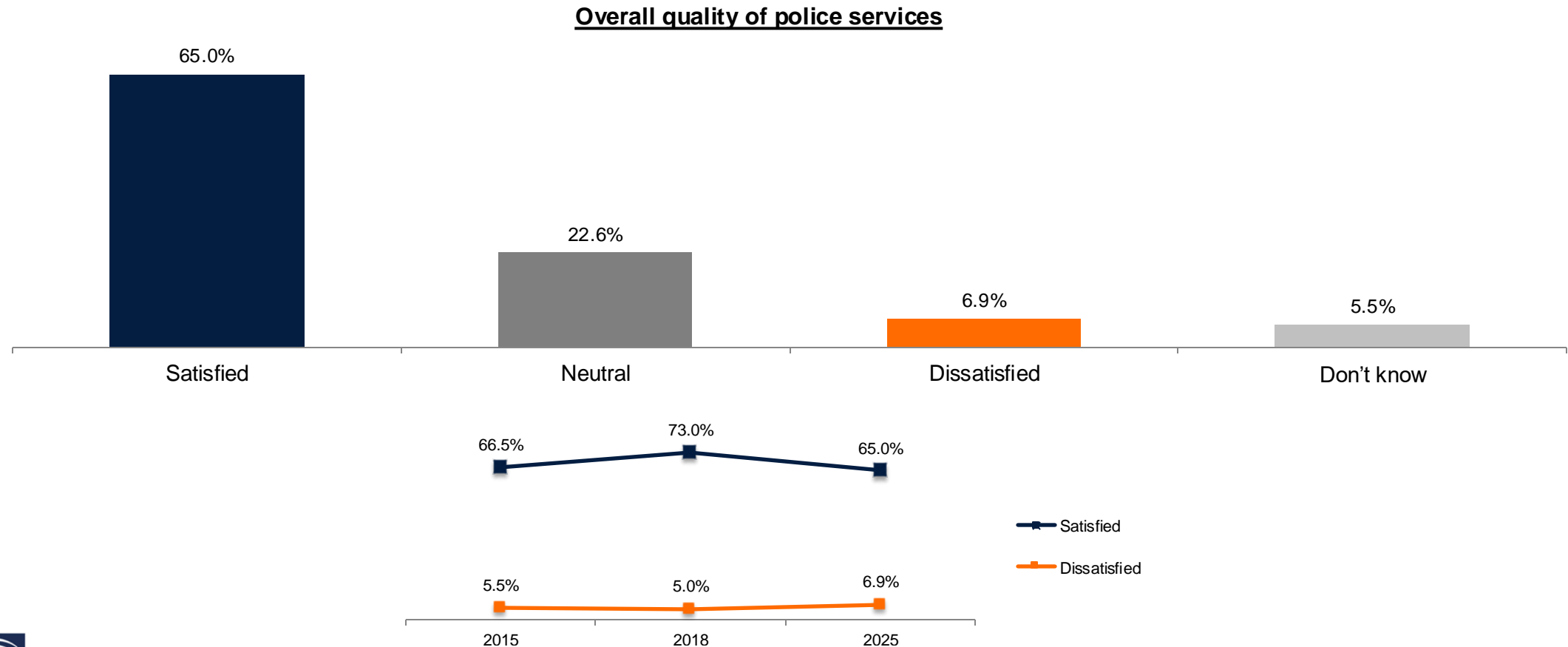


Scale for 2011 was Very Unsafe-Very Safe

Police Service

65% are satisfied with the overall quality of police services

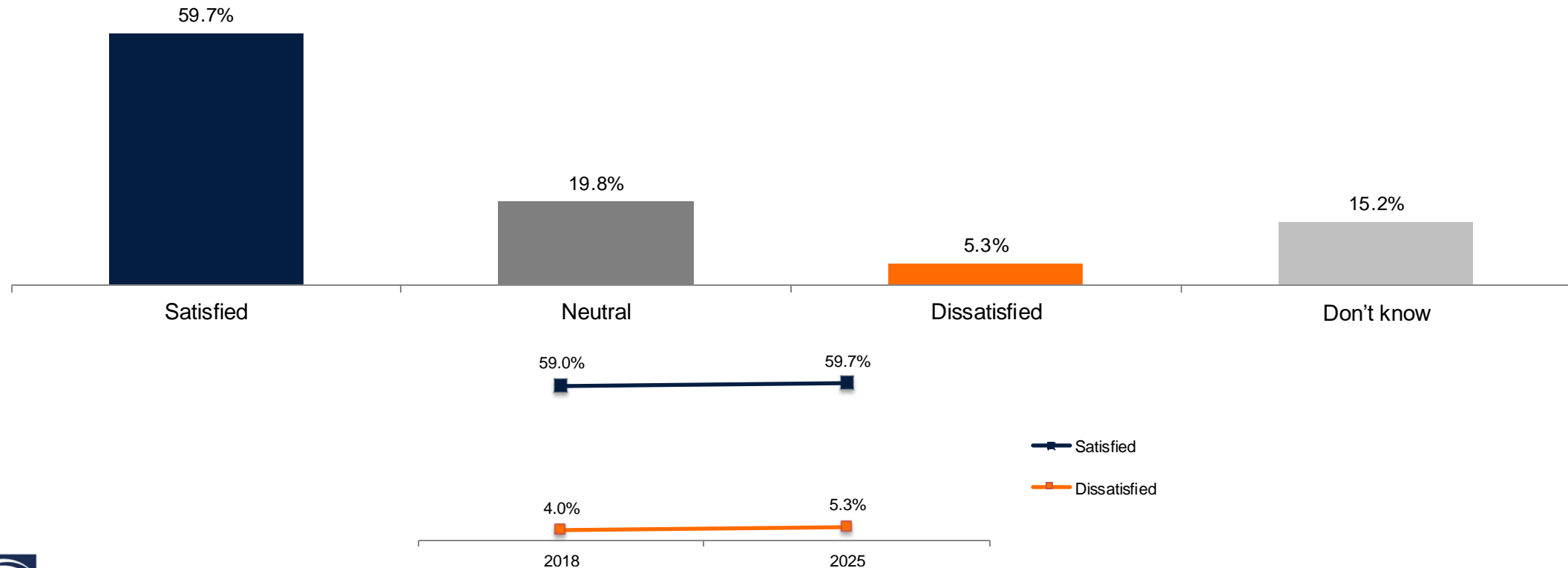
Question 17: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.



60% are satisfied with Hyattsville police officers' treatment of all people fairly and respectfully

Question 18: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

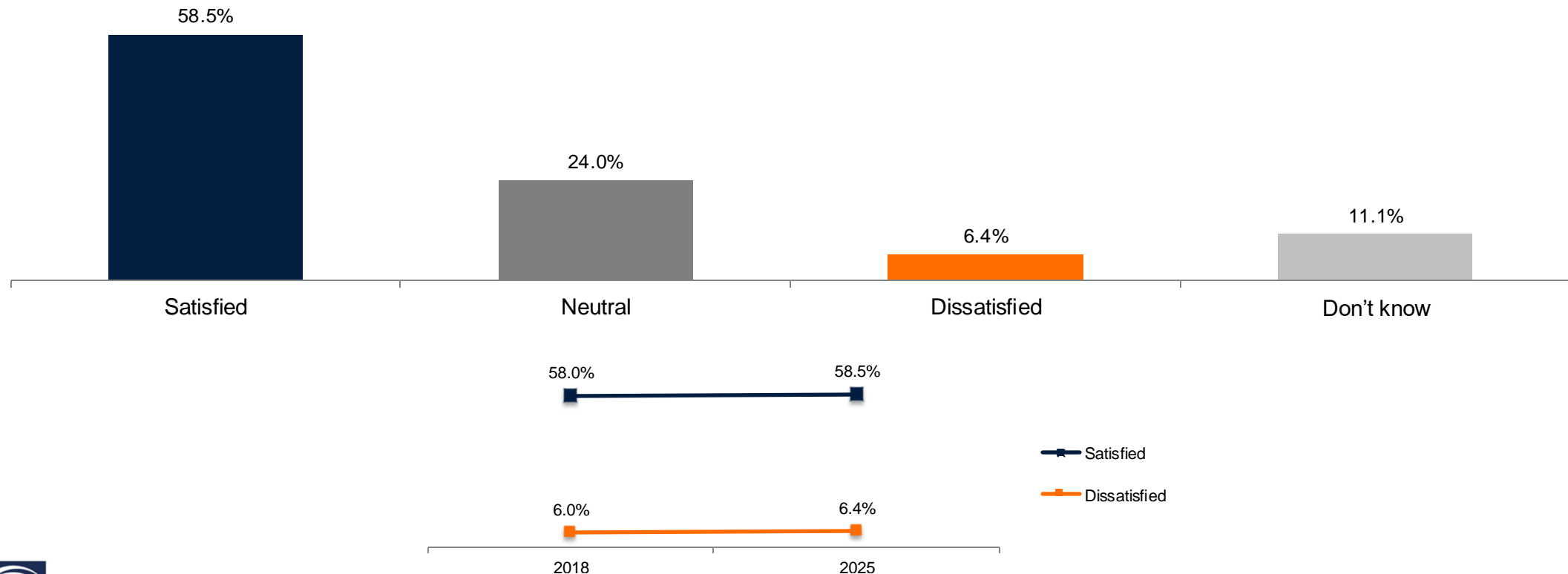
Hyattsville police officers' treatment of all people fairly and respectfully



59% are satisfied with the level of trust between Hyattsville police and community

Question 19: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

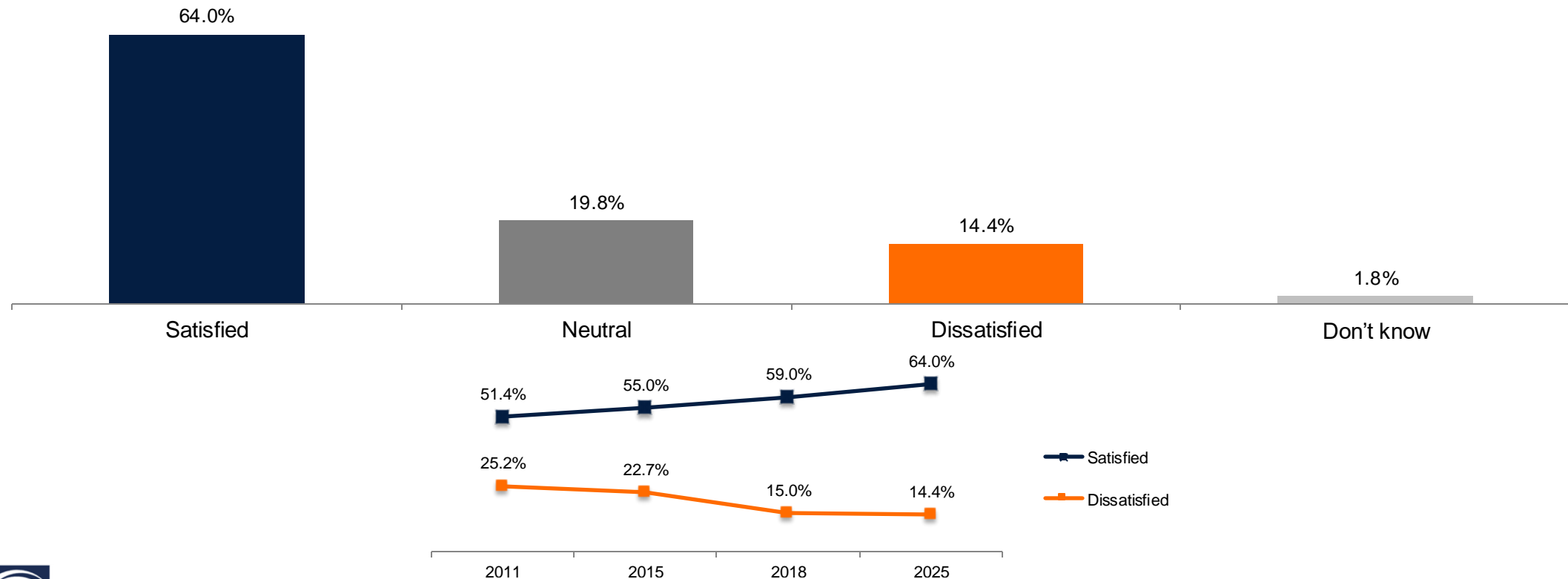
Level of trust between Hyattsville police and community



64% are satisfied with the visibility of police in your community

Question 20: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

The visibility of police in your community

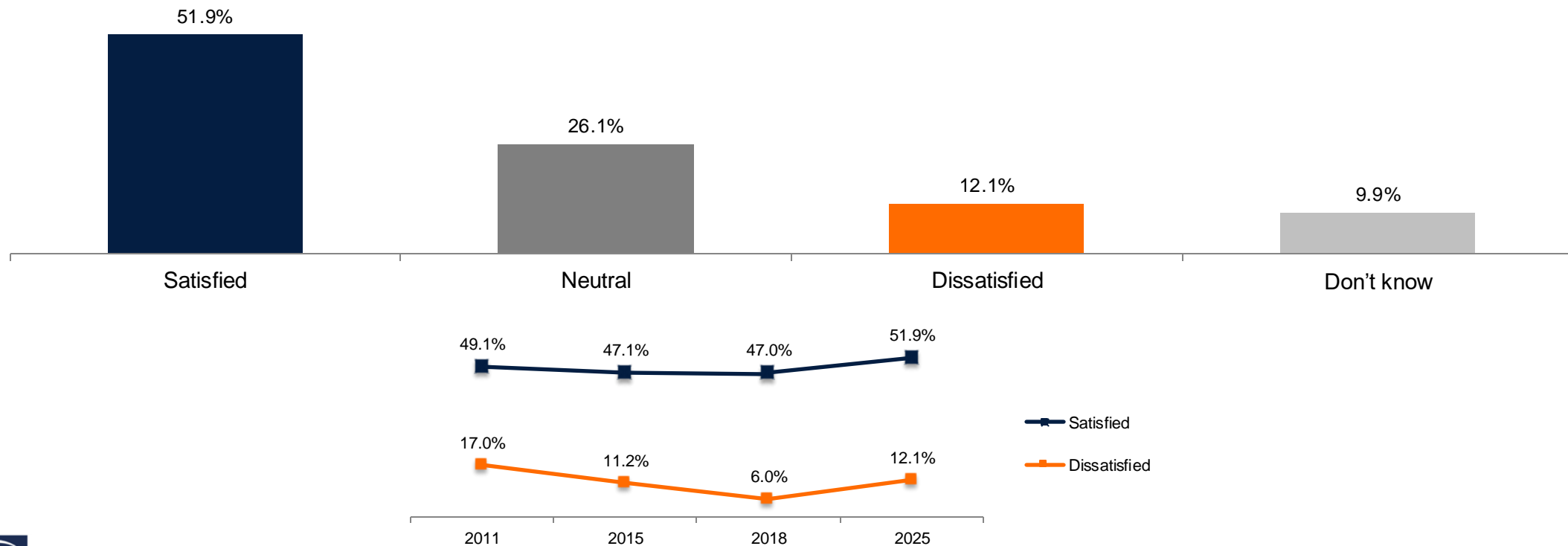


*Question wording changed in 2025; previous year data shown was, "The visibility of police in your neighborhood."

52% are satisfied with the police department's efforts to prevent crime

Question 21: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

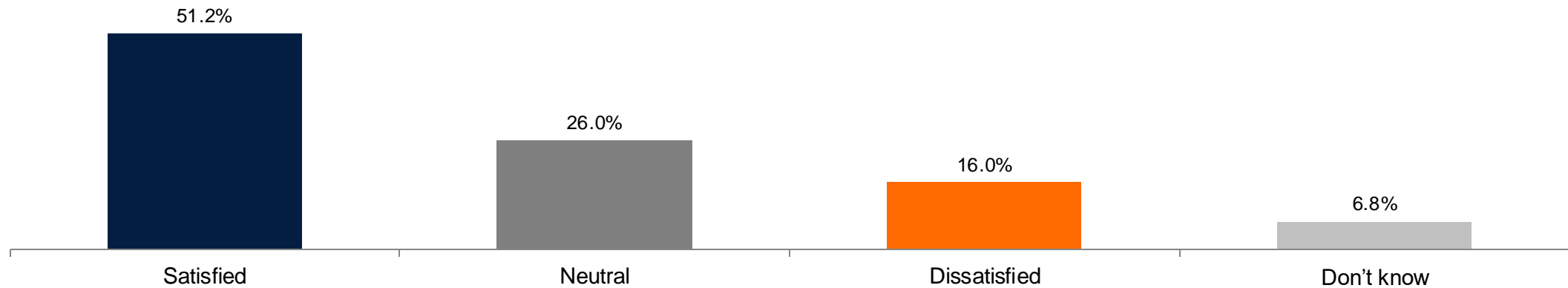
The police department's efforts to prevent crime



51% are satisfied with the level of communication between the police department and the community

Question 22: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

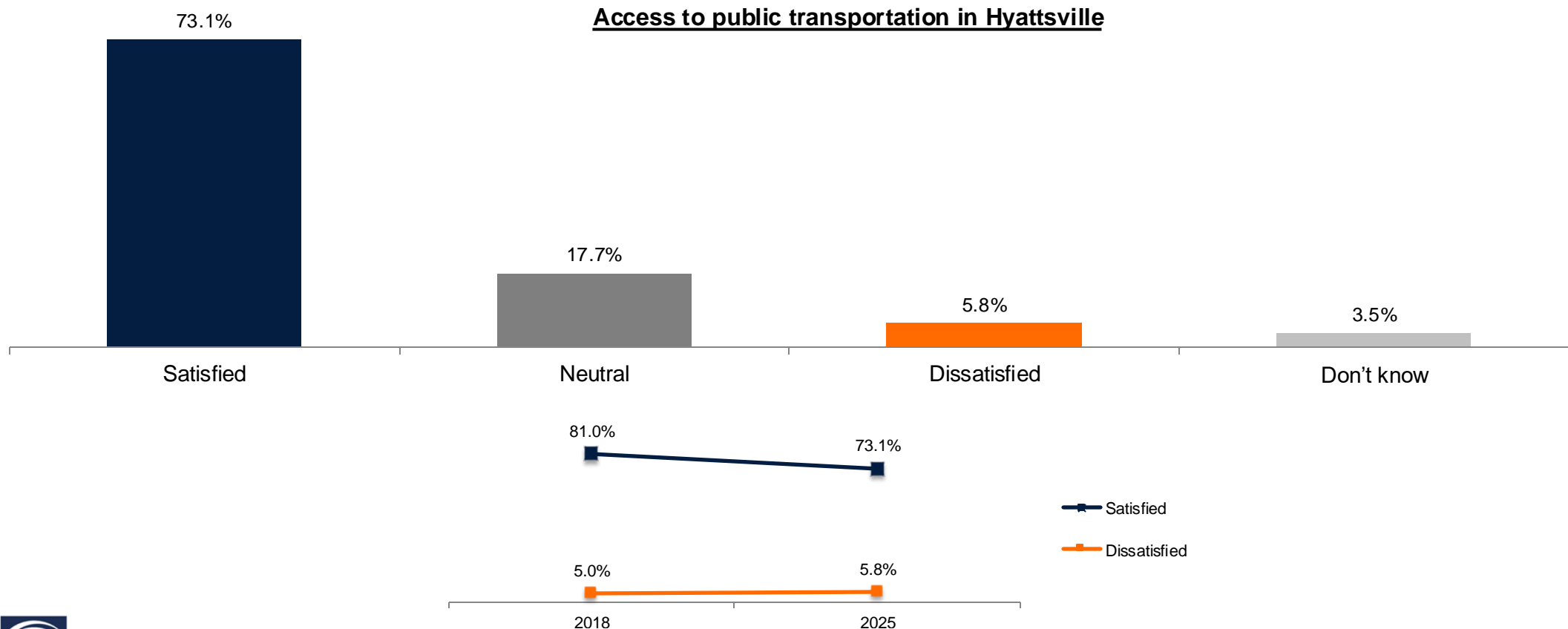
Level of communication between the police department and the community



Transportation and Traffic

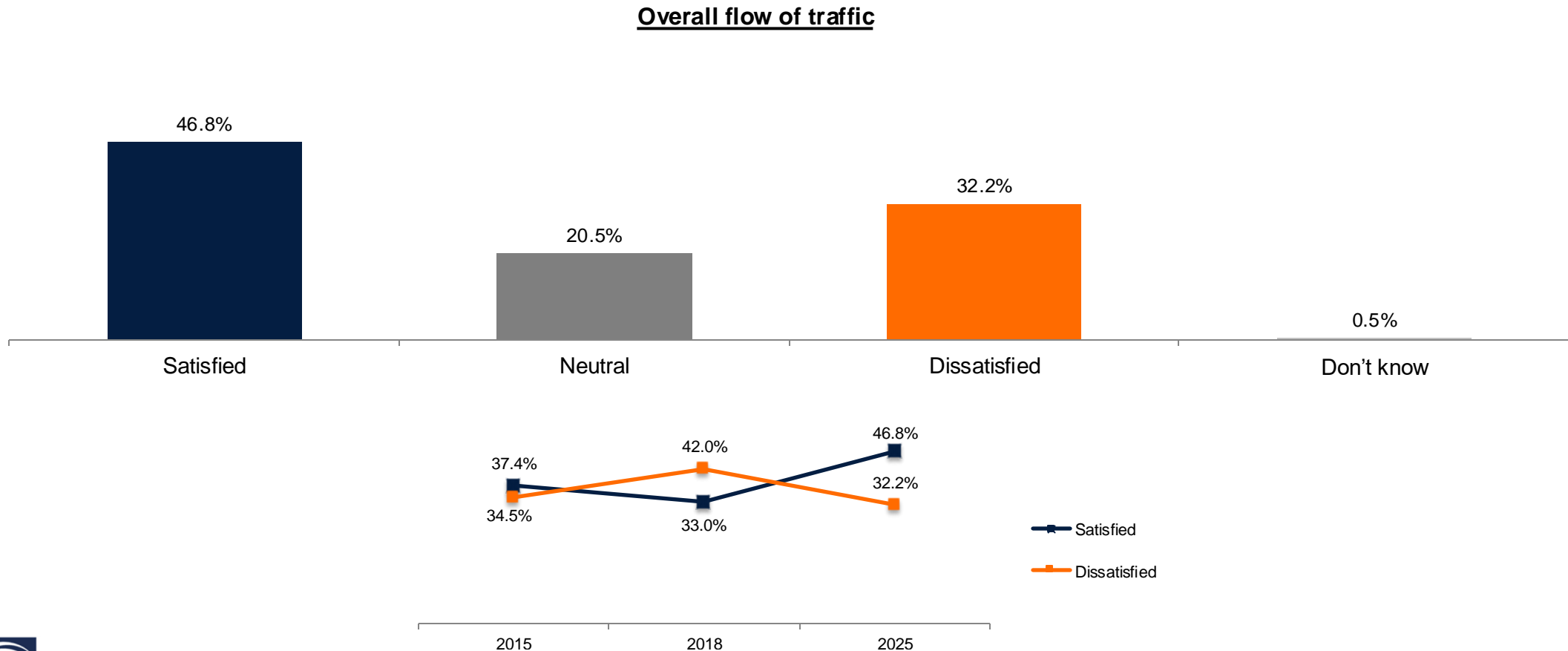
73% are satisfied with access to public transportation in Hyattsville

Question 23: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.



47% are satisfied with the overall flow of traffic

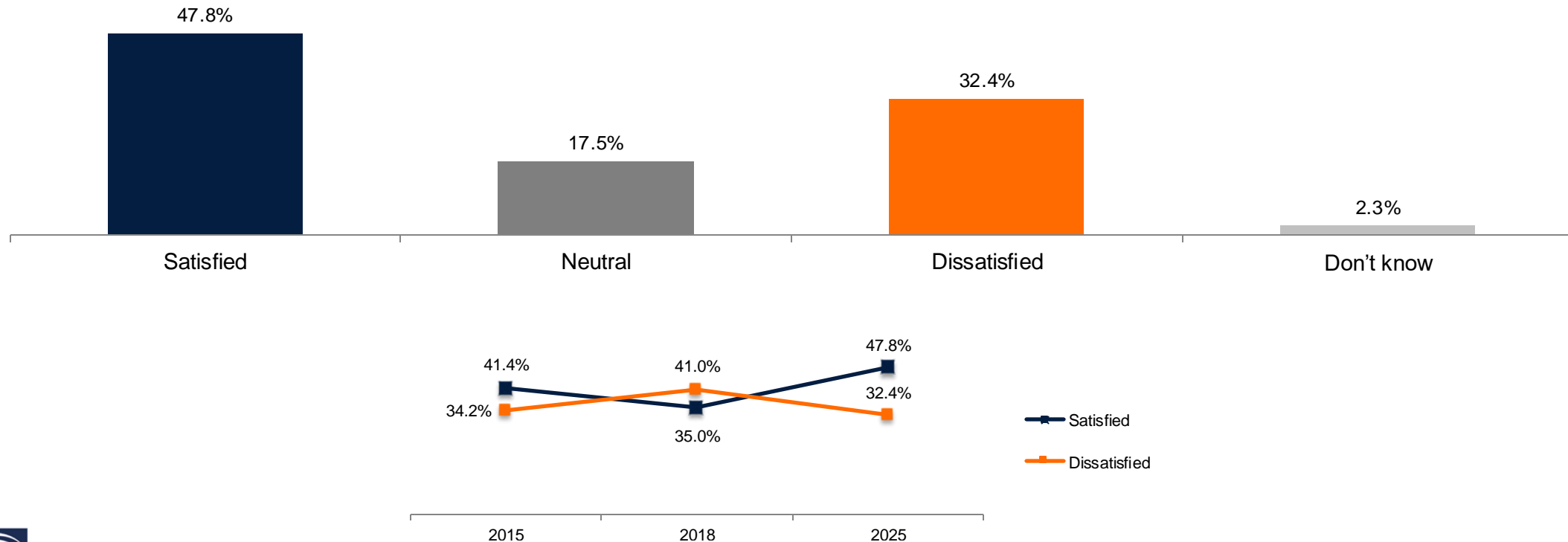
Question 24: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.



48% are satisfied with the prevention of speeding on residential streets in the City

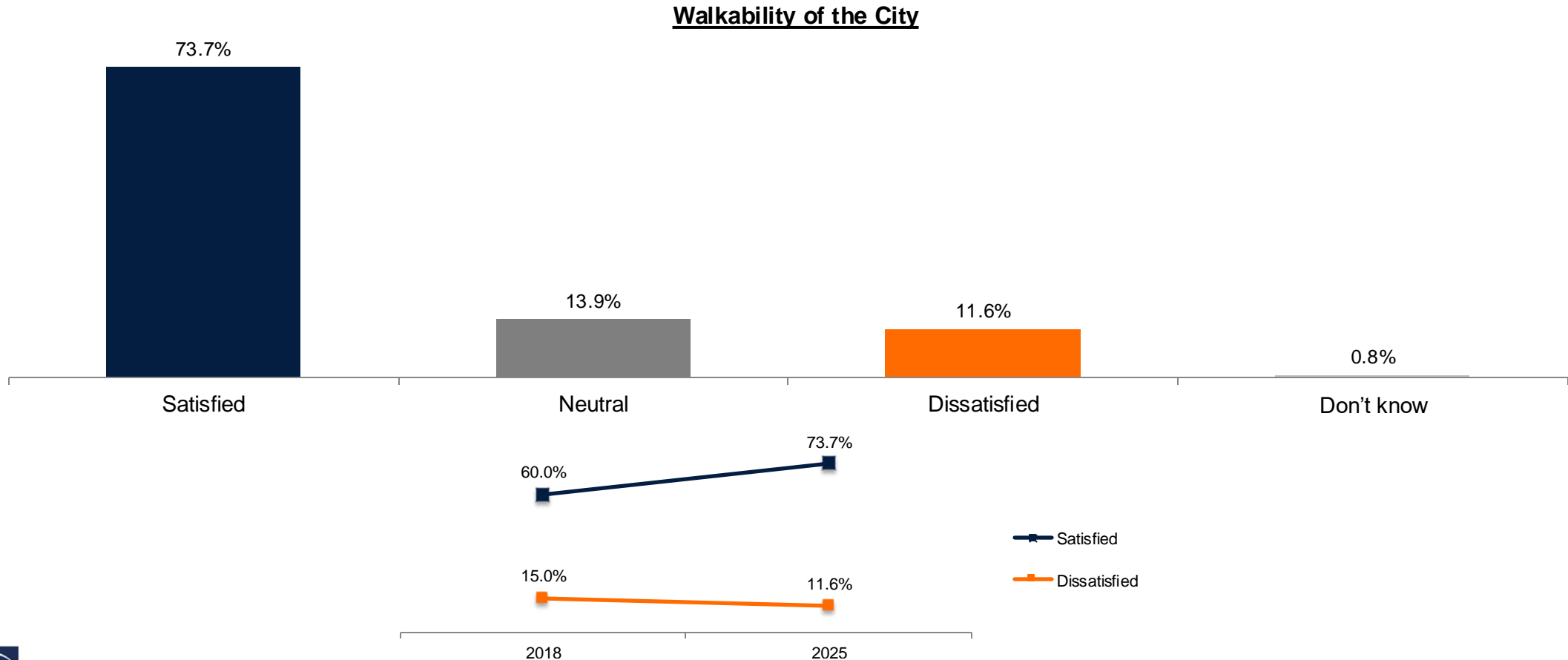
Question 25: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Prevention of speeding on residential streets in the City



74% are satisfied with the walkability of the City

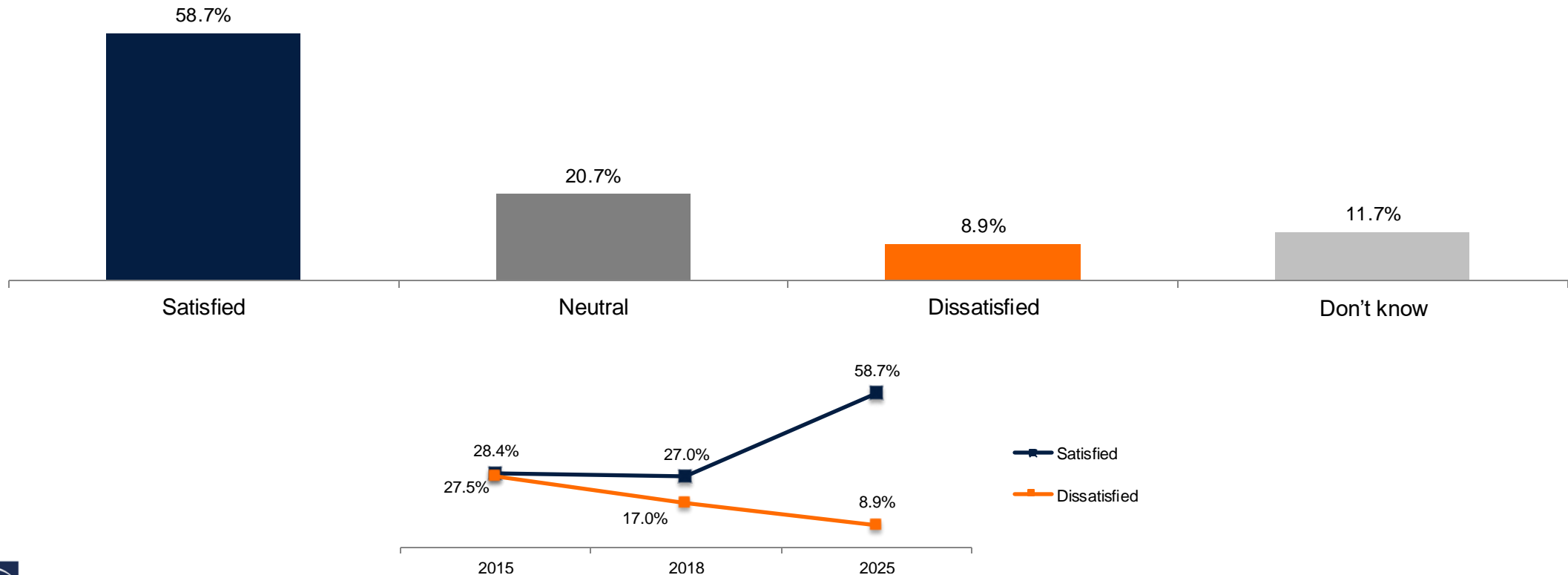
Question 26: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.



59% are satisfied with the bikeability of the City

Question 27: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Bikeability of the City*



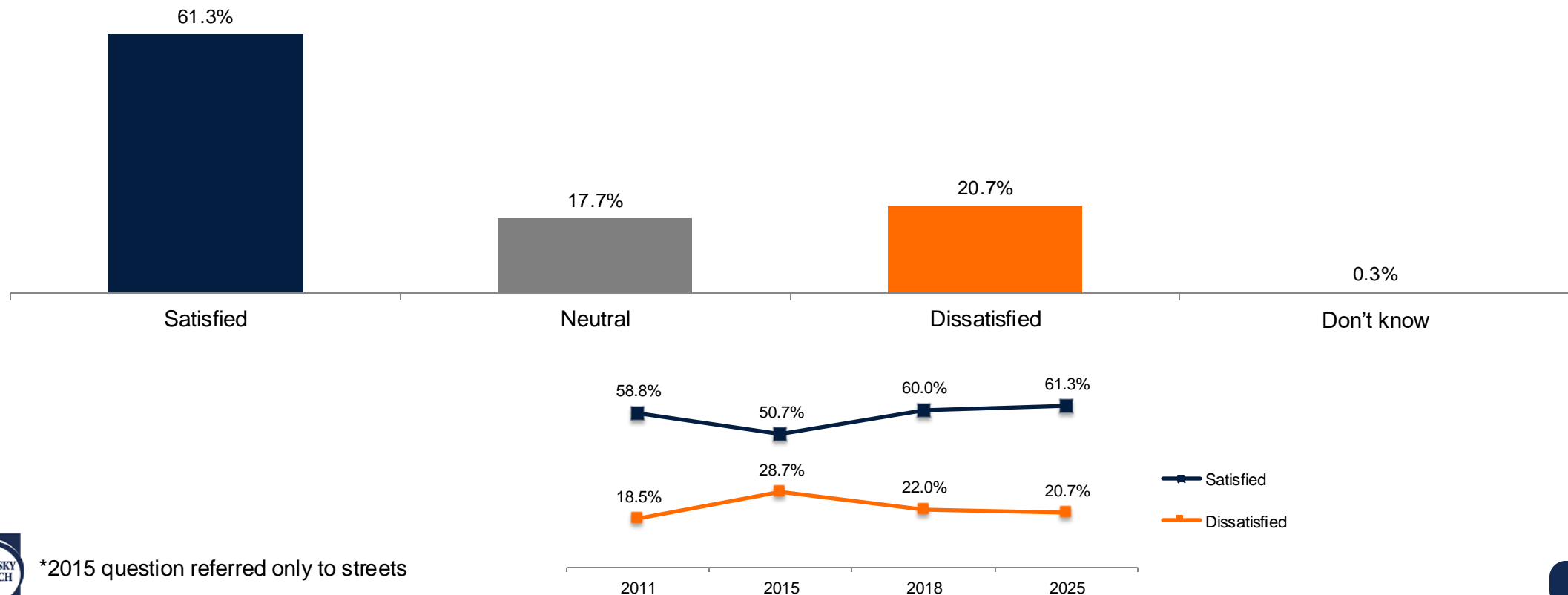
*Previous question "Bicyclist safety in Hyattsville"

Streets and Sidewalks

61% are satisfied with the maintenance of City streets and sidewalks

Question 28: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Overall maintenance of City streets and sidewalks*

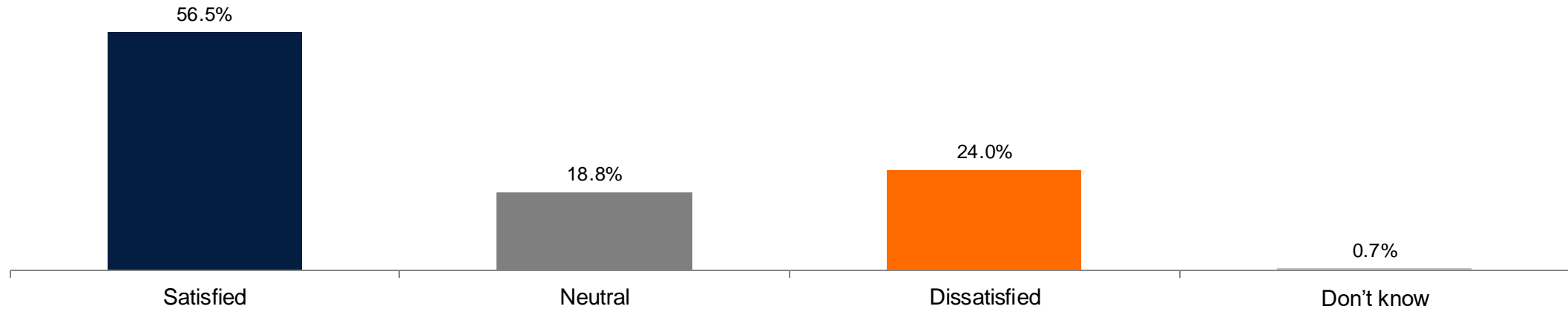


*2015 question referred only to streets

57% are satisfied with traffic calming installations

Question 29: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

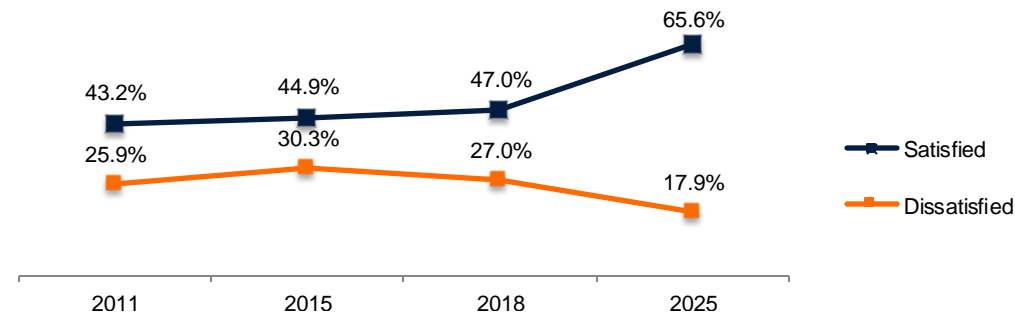
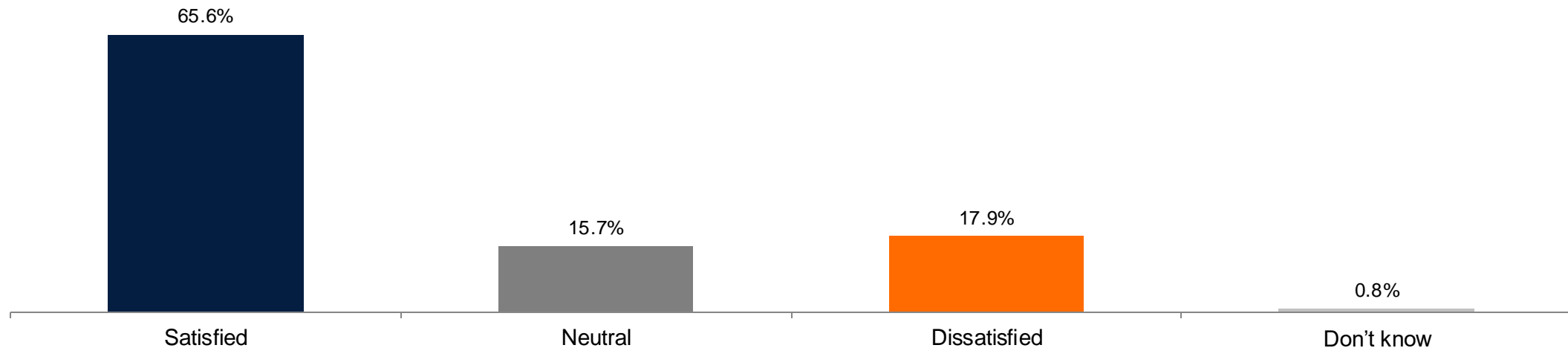
Traffic calming installations (e.g., speed bumps, bump outs, flashing stop signs)



66% are satisfied with the adequacy of street lighting

Question 30: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

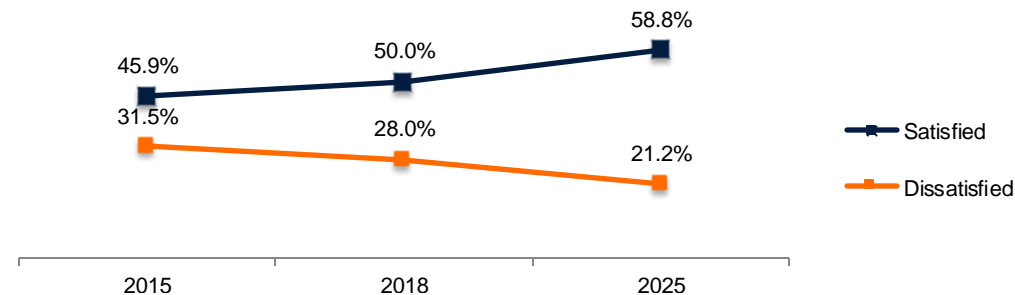
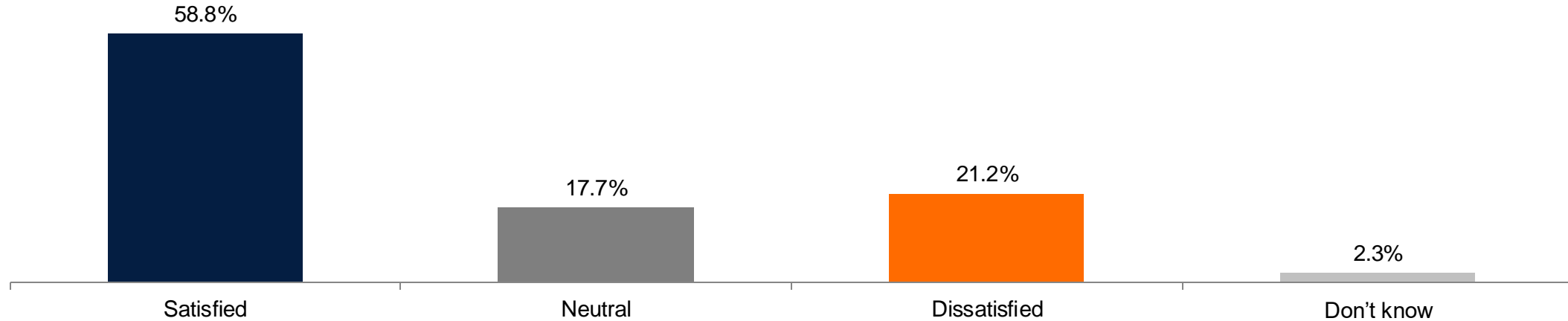
Adequacy of street lighting



59% are satisfied with residential parking availability

Question 31: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

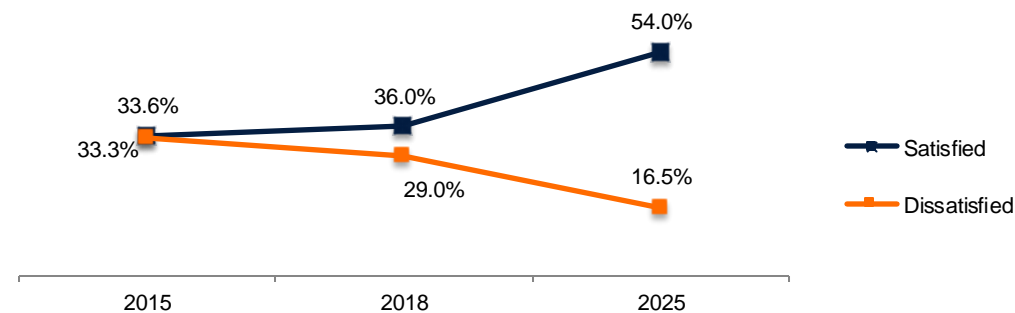
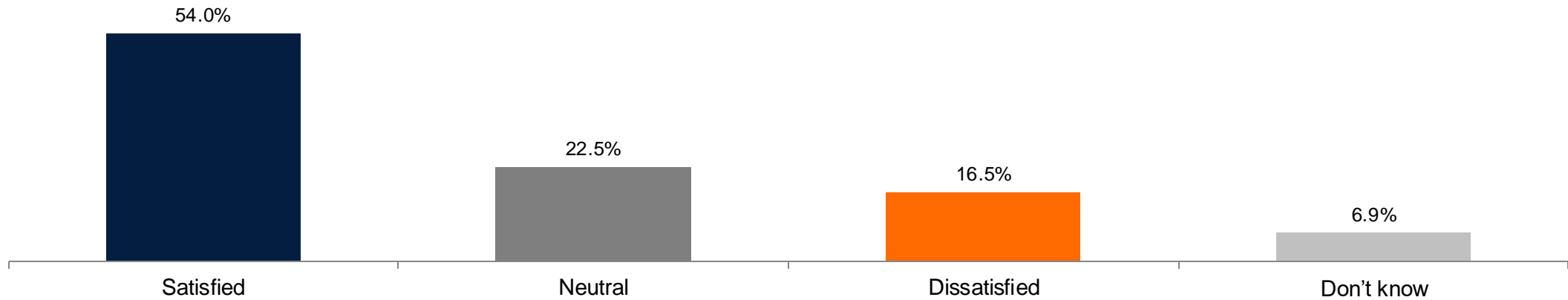
Residential parking availability



54% are satisfied with commercial parking availability

Question 32: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

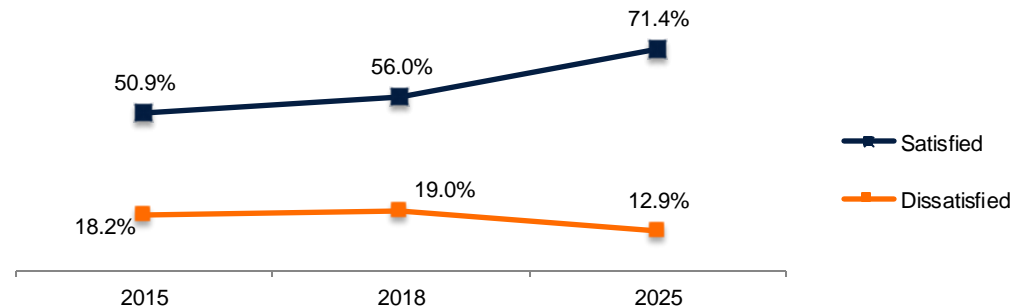
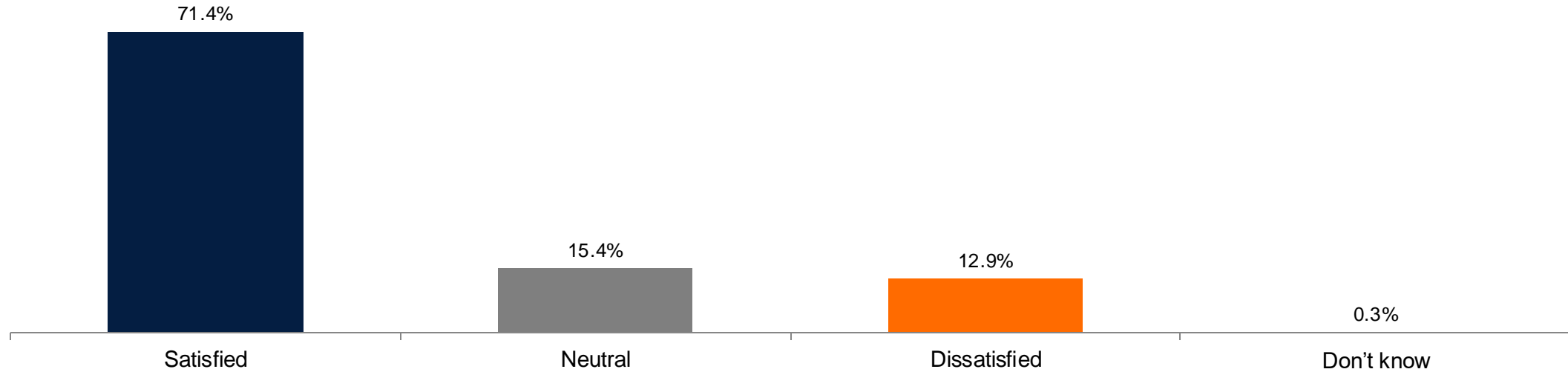
Commercial parking availability



71% are satisfied with sidewalk availability

Question 33: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

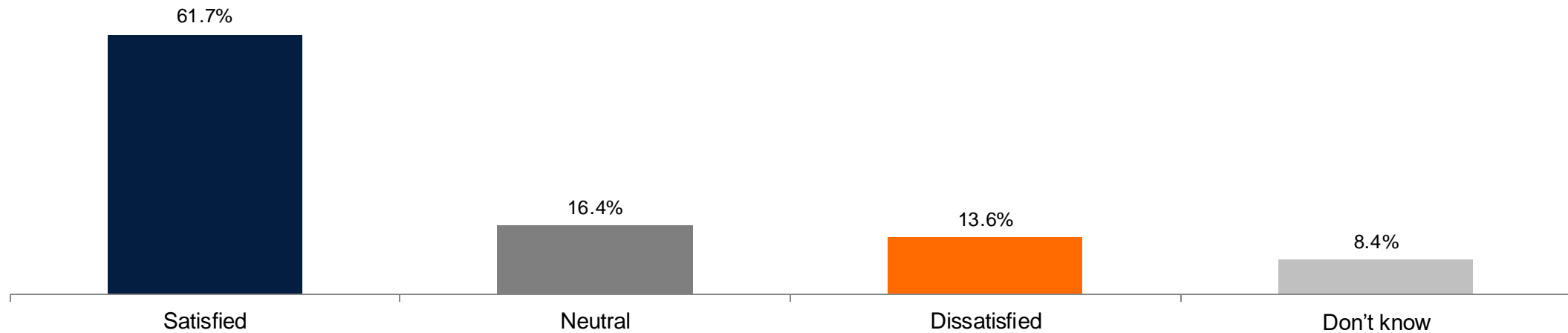
Sidewalk availability



62% are satisfied with the accessibility of sidewalks

Question 34: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Accessibility of sidewalks (navigable by stroller, wheelchair, etc.)

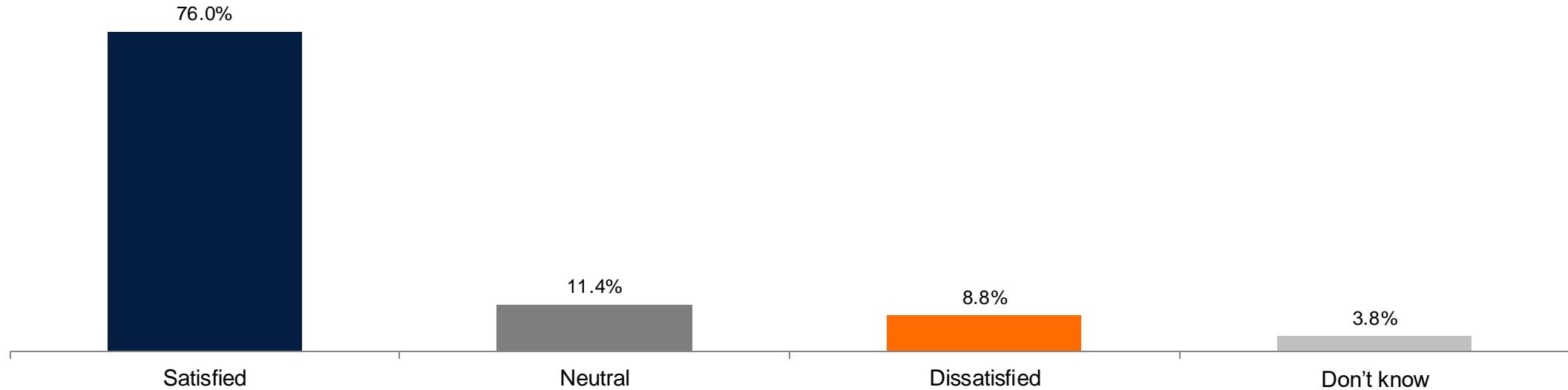


Solid Waste Services and Environment

76% are satisfied with the quality of solid waste services

Question 35: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

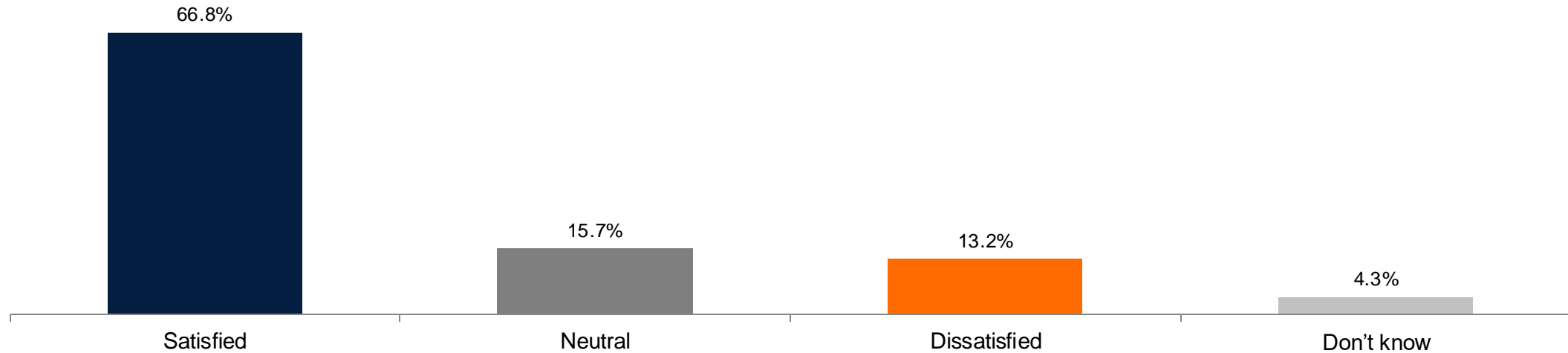
Overall quality of solid waste services (trash, yard waste, compost)



67% are satisfied with the quality of recycling services

Question 36: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

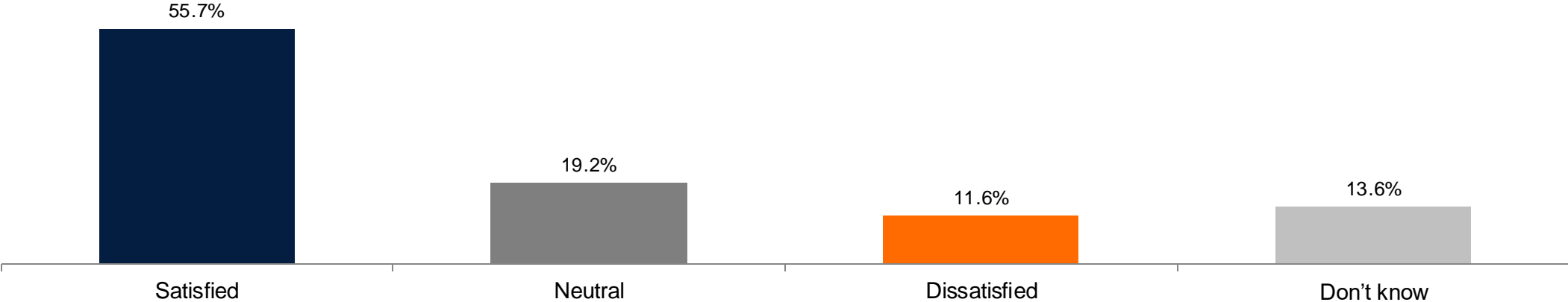
Overall quality of recycling services



56% are satisfied with bulky item and white goods pick up/removal services

Question 37: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Bulky item and white goods pick up/removal services (old furniture, appliances etc.)



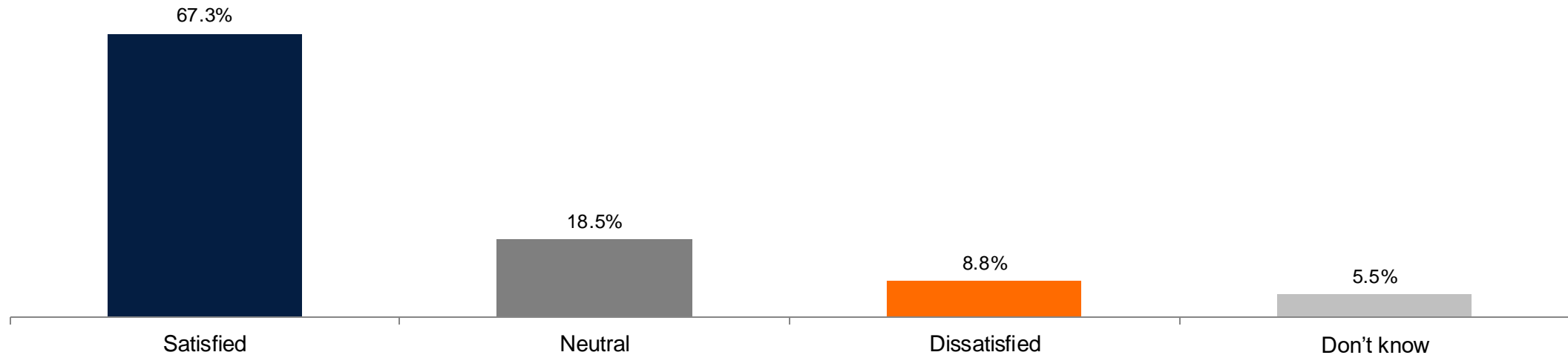
Comparison between previous year solid waste and recycling service questions

Question (% satisfied)	2025	2018	2015	2011
Overall quality of solid waste services (trash, yard waste, compost)	76%	-	-	-
Overall quality of recycling services	67%	-	-	-
Bulky item and white goods pick up/removal services (old furniture, appliances, etc.)	56%	-	-	-
Residential trash (garbage only, not recycling) collection services [note: 2011 & 2015 did not specify not recycling]	-	85%	83%	80%
Bulky item pick up/removal services (old furniture, etc.)	-	70%	67%	70%
Removal of white goods (appliances refrigerators, air conditioners, etc.)	-	57%	62%	61%
Removal of yard waste	-	74%	71%	72%

67% are satisfied with the City's efforts to protect the environment and operate more sustainably

Question 38: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

City efforts to protect the environment and operate more sustainably (e.g., tree planting, park clean up, stormwater management, solar lighting)

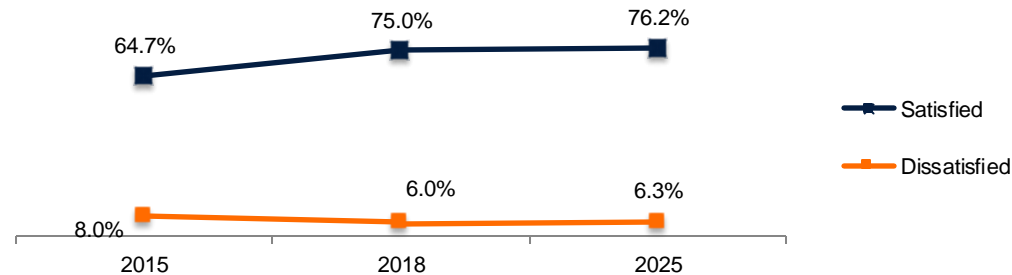
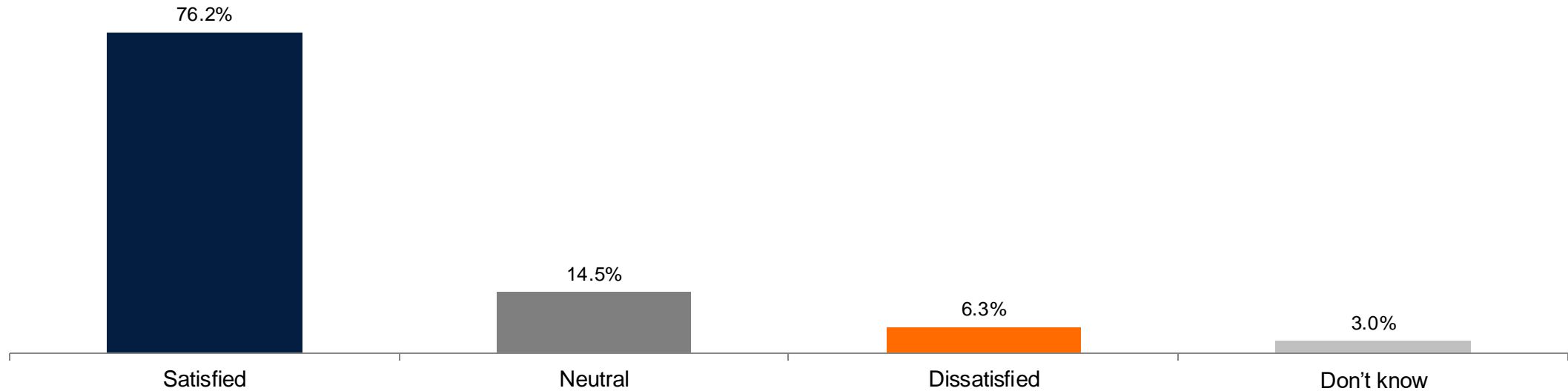


Parks

76% are satisfied with the quality of parks in Hyattsville

Question 39: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

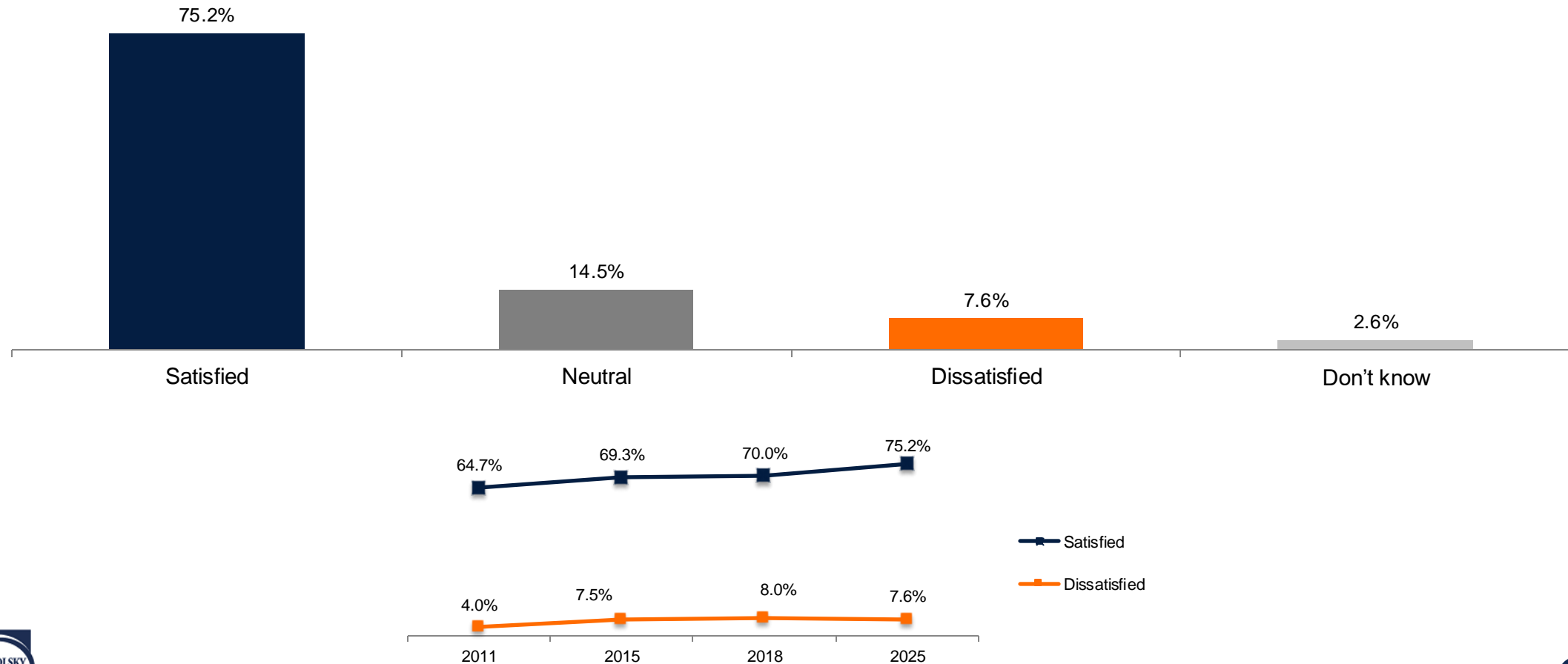
Overall quality of parks in Hyattsville



75% are satisfied with the cleanliness and appearance of parks and trails

Question 40: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Cleanliness and general appearance of parks and trails in the City

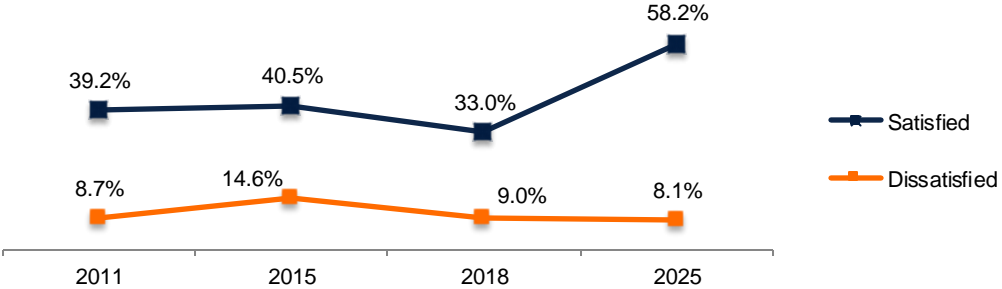
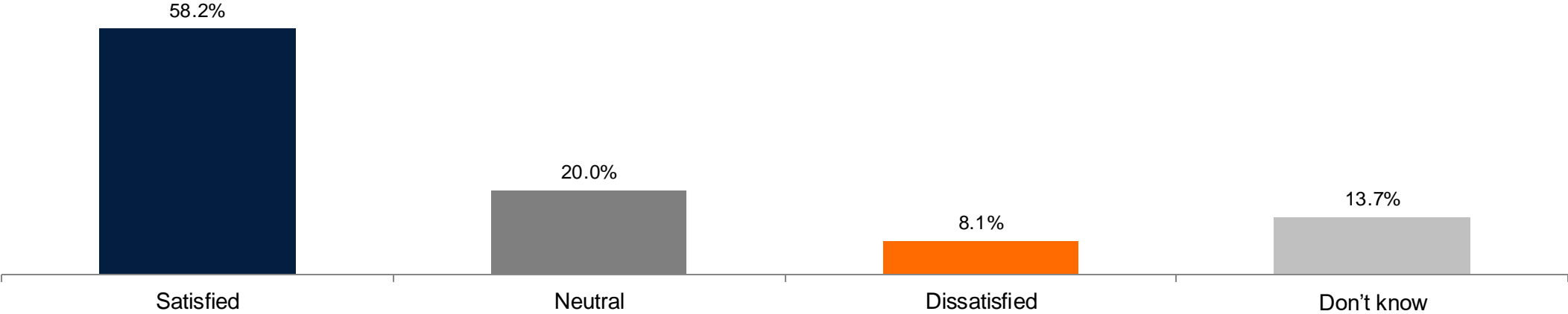


*Question wording in 2011 & 2015 varied

58% are satisfied with the quality of outdoor athletic facilities, courts, and fields

Question 41: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

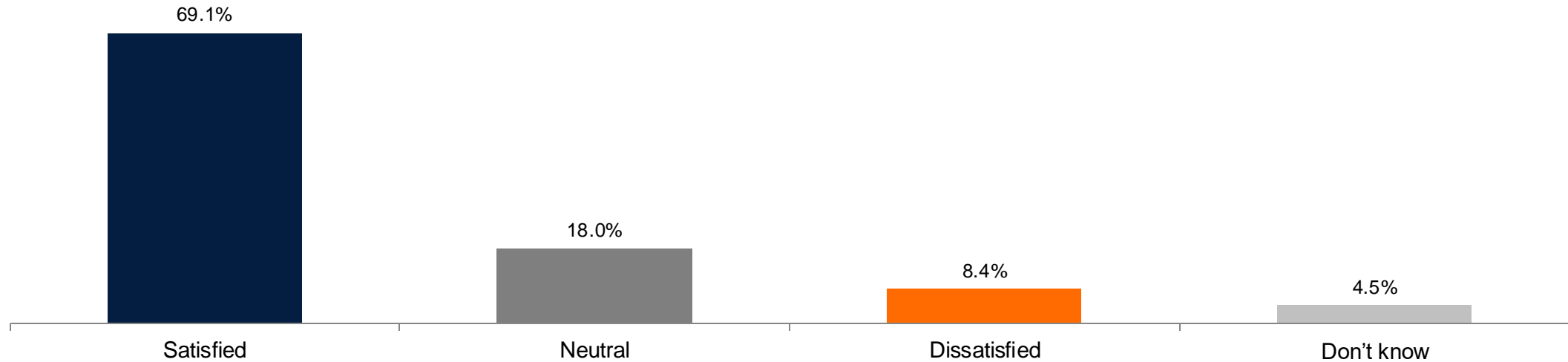
Quality of outdoor athletic facilities, courts, and fields (e.g., baseball, tennis, soccer, etc.)



69% are satisfied with the quality of features and amenities available at Hyattsville parks

Question 42: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

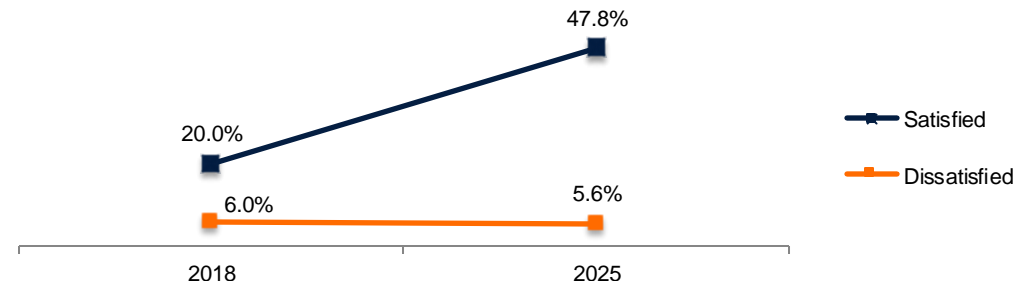
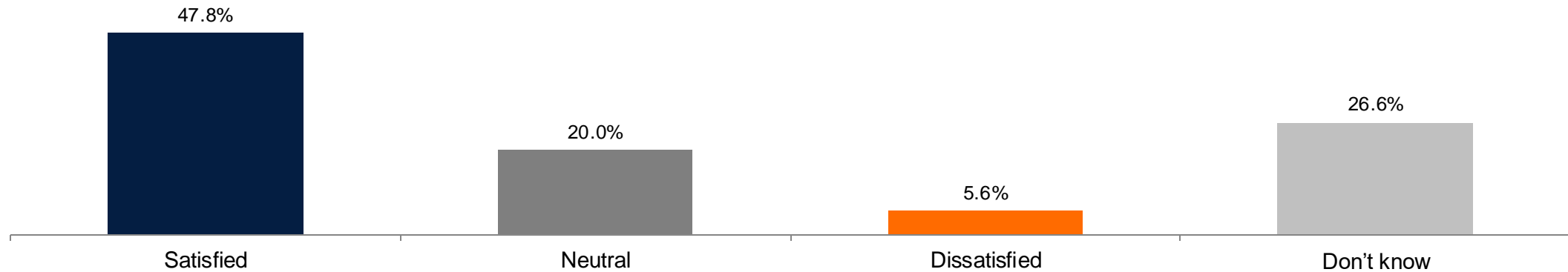
Quality of features and amenities available at Hyattsville parks



48% are satisfied with the accessibility of parks and playgrounds for people with disabilities

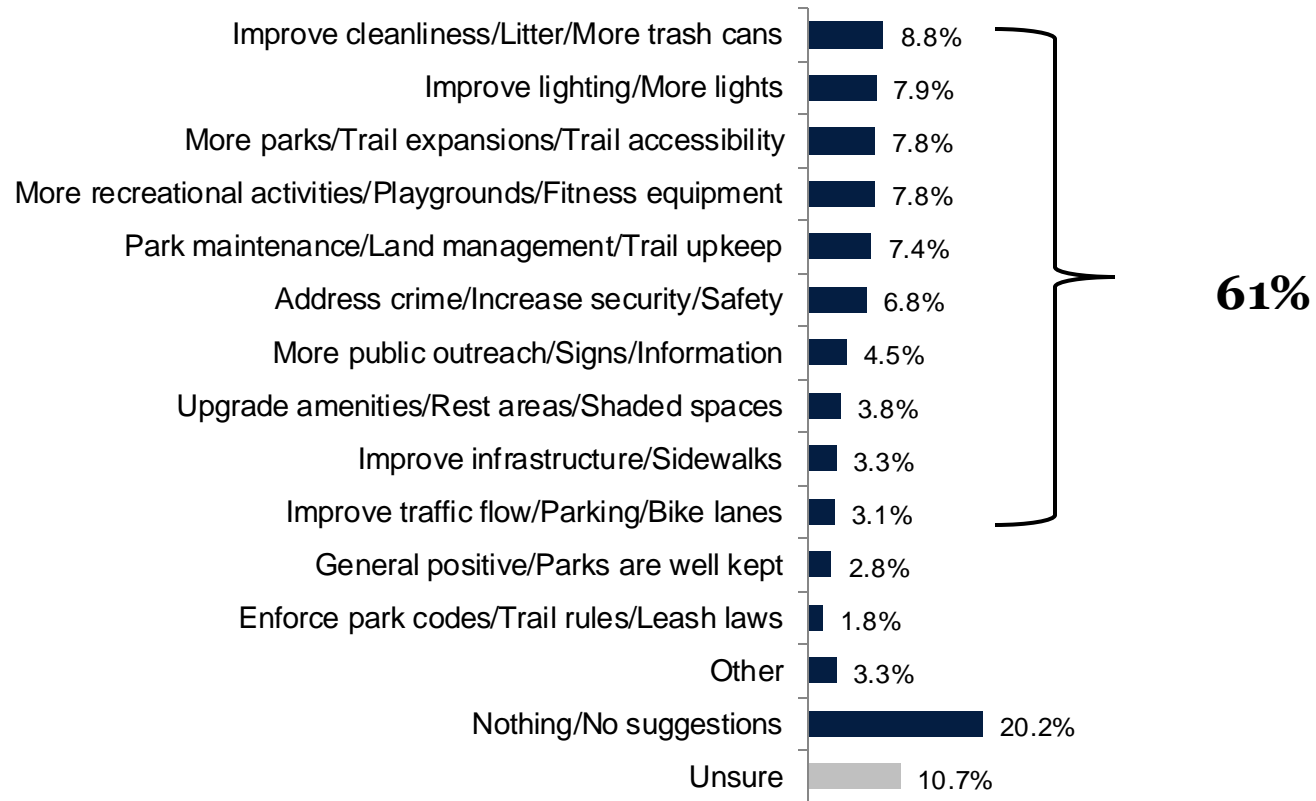
Question 43: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Accessibility of parks and playgrounds for people with disabilities



A majority of suggestions to improve Hyattsville parks involve maintenance and updating amenities

Q44: What suggestions do you have for improving Hyattsville parks and trails?
[OPEN-ENDED RESPONSE]

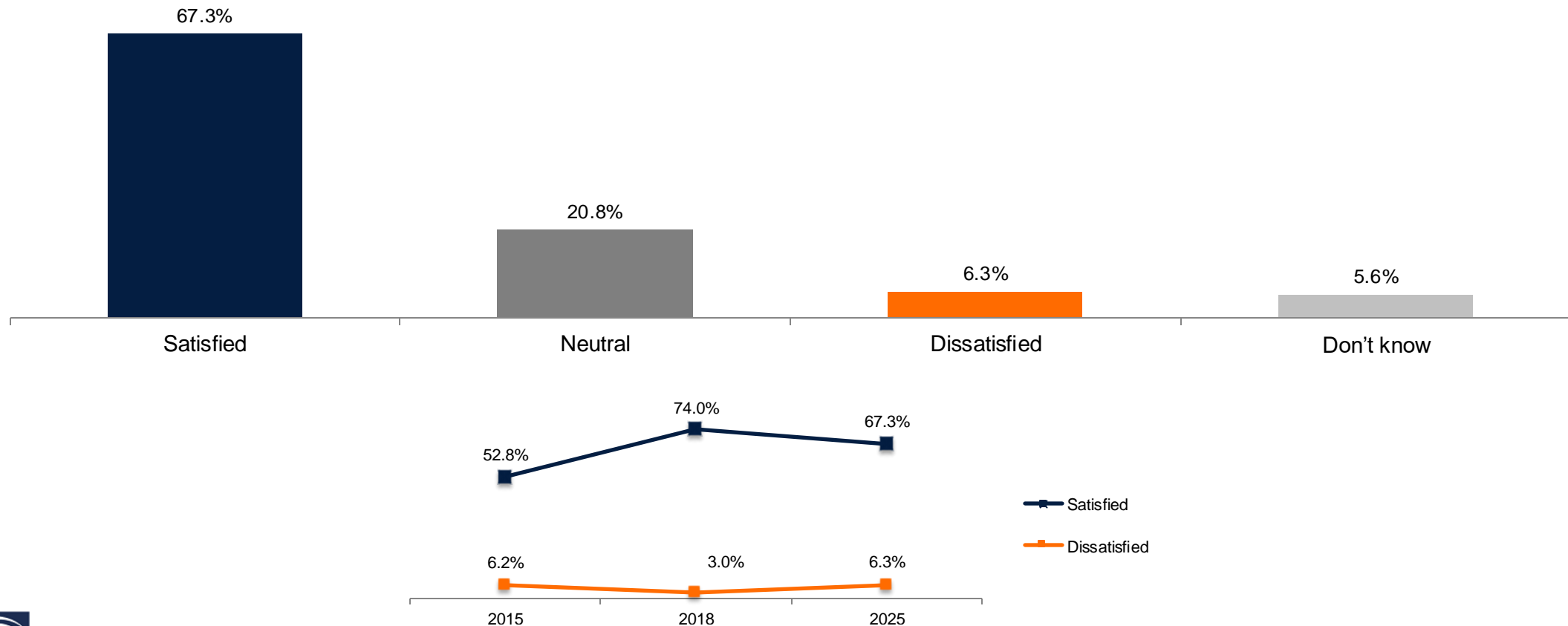


Programs and Events

67% are satisfied with the quality and variety of City events and celebrations

Question 45: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

The quality and variety of City events & celebrations

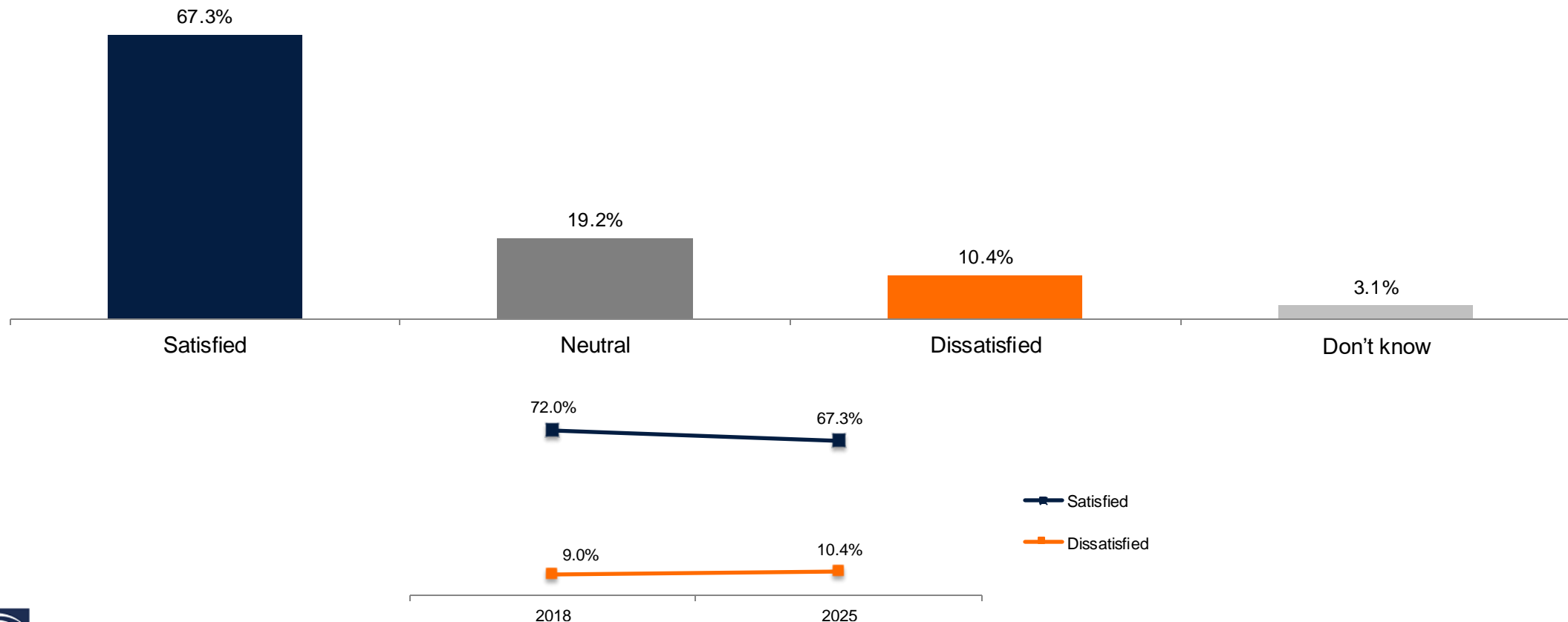


*Question wording in 2015 & 2018 separated quality and variety into separate questions; quality reported for tracking purposes

67% are satisfied with the City's notifications/promotion of City events and celebrations

Question 46: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

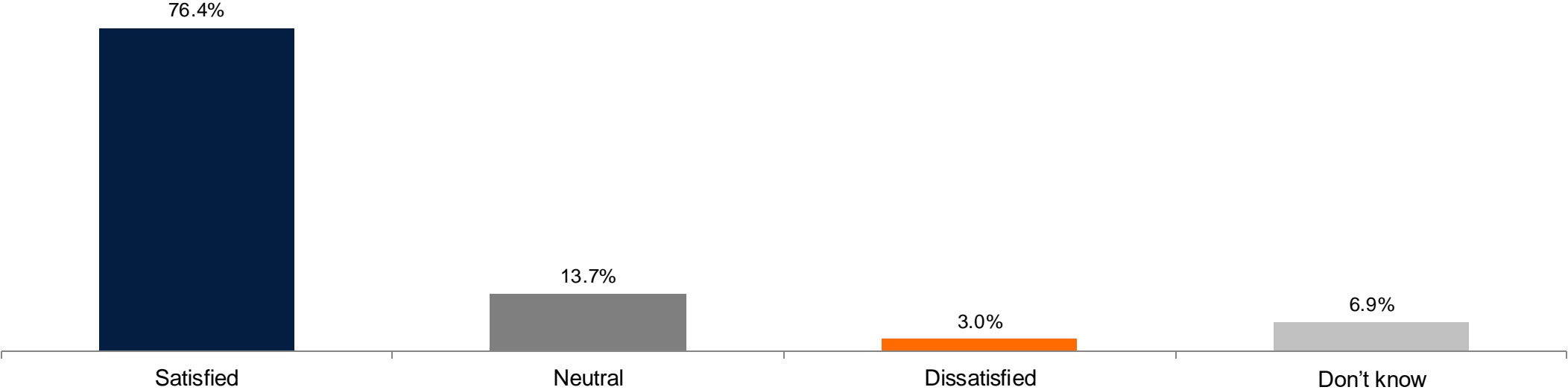
The City's notifications/promotion of City events & celebrations



76% are satisfied with the ability to access events and programs in a language they are comfortable with

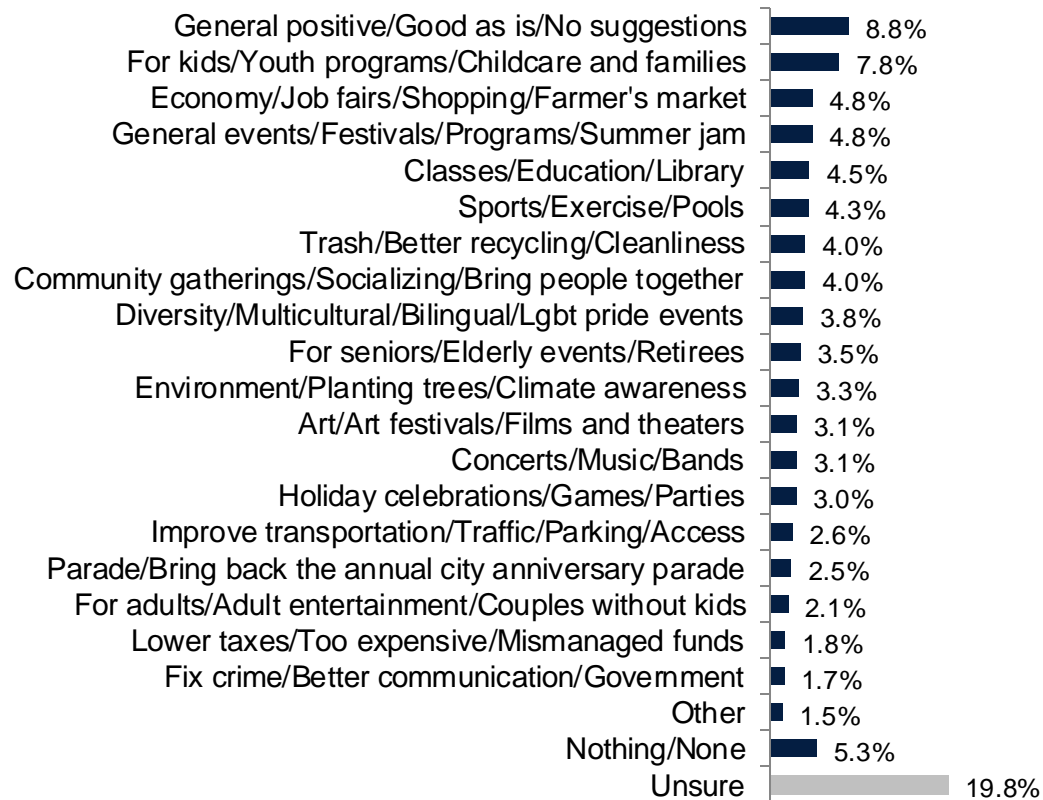
Question 47: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

Ability to access events & programs in a language you are comfortable with



Residents appear happy with current options, but offer a variety of suggestions for events, services, activities and programs

Q48: What events, services, activities, or programs would you like to see the City offer?
[OPEN-ENDED RESPONSE]

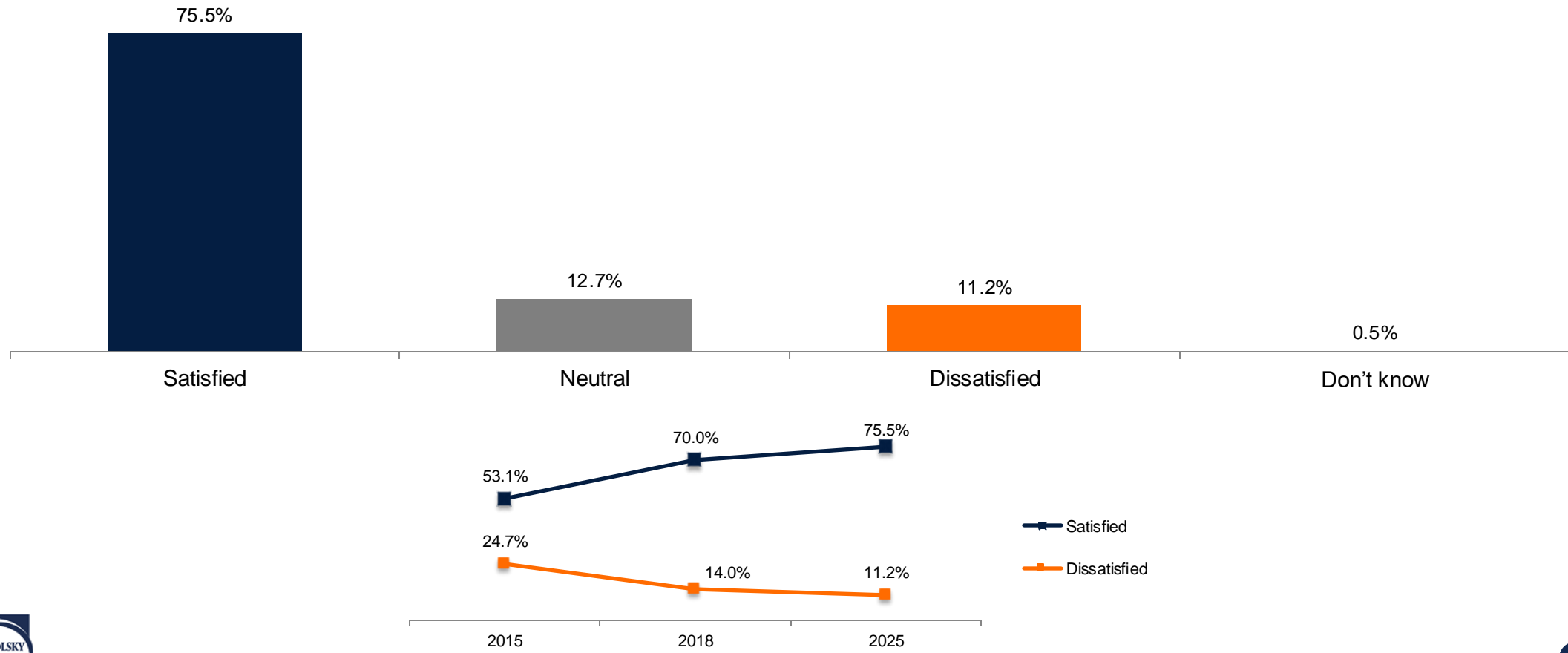


Economic Development

76% are satisfied with the availability of stores and shops in Hyattsville

Question 49: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

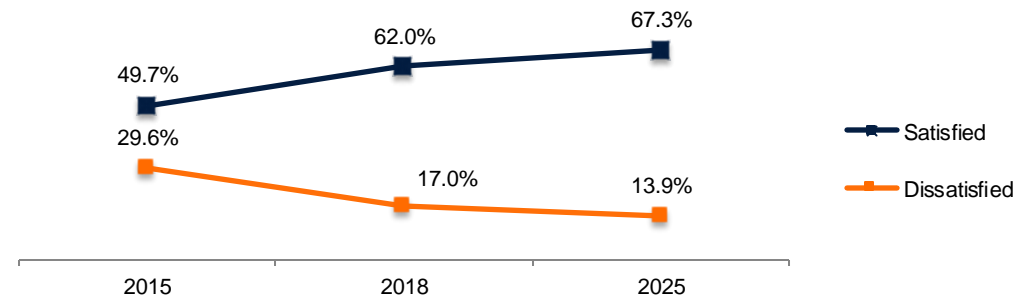
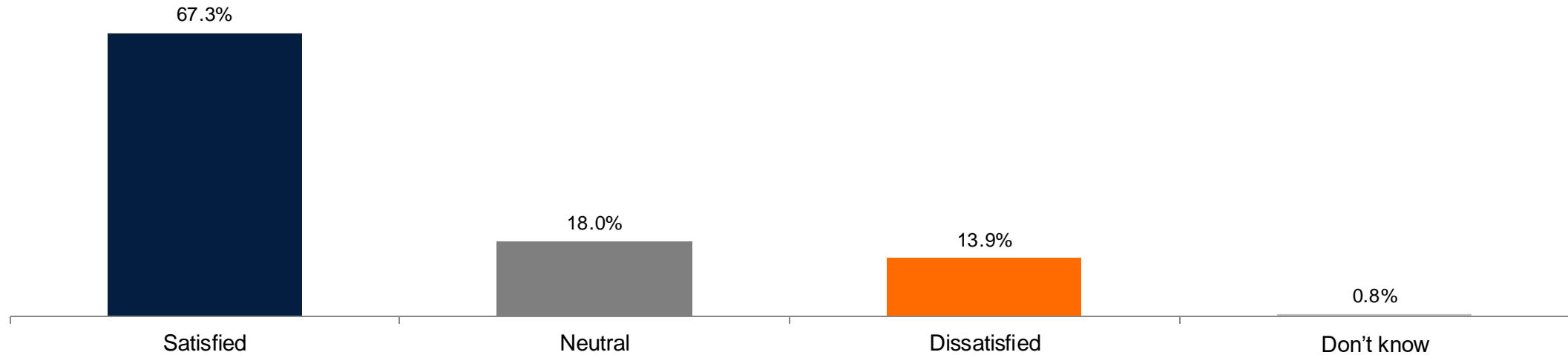
Availability of stores and shops in Hyattsville



67% are satisfied with the availability of restaurants and bars in Hyattsville

Question 50: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

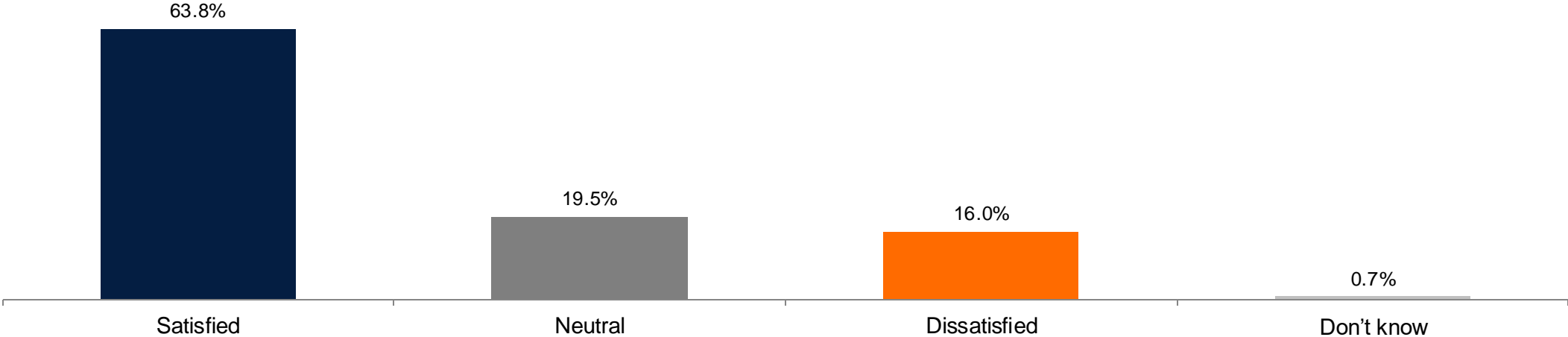
Availability of restaurants and bars in Hyattsville



64% are satisfied with the availability to purchase what they need in Hyattsville without having to travel elsewhere

Question 51: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

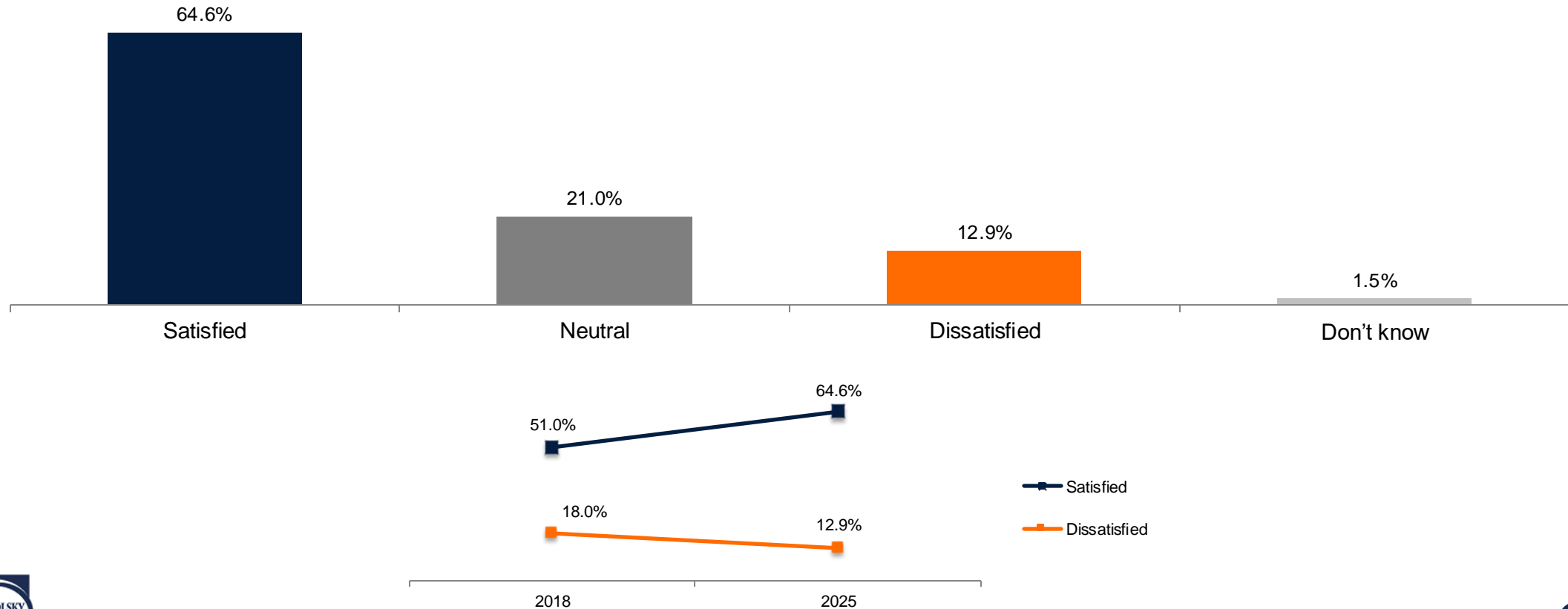
Availability to purchase what I need in Hyattsville without having to travel elsewhere



65% are satisfied with the diversity in types of businesses and shops in Hyattsville

Question 52: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

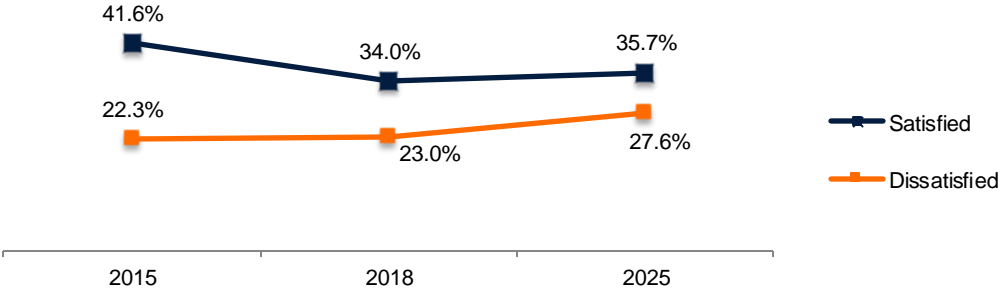
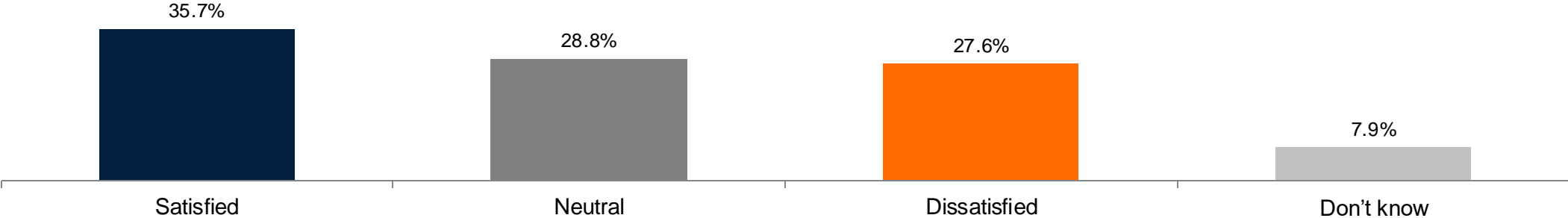
Diversity in type of businesses and shops in Hyattsville



About 1 in 3 residents are satisfied with the availability of affordable quality housing in Hyattsville

Question 53: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

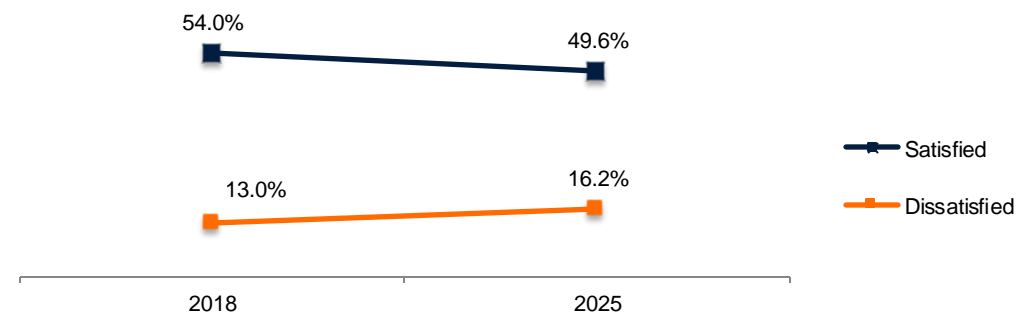
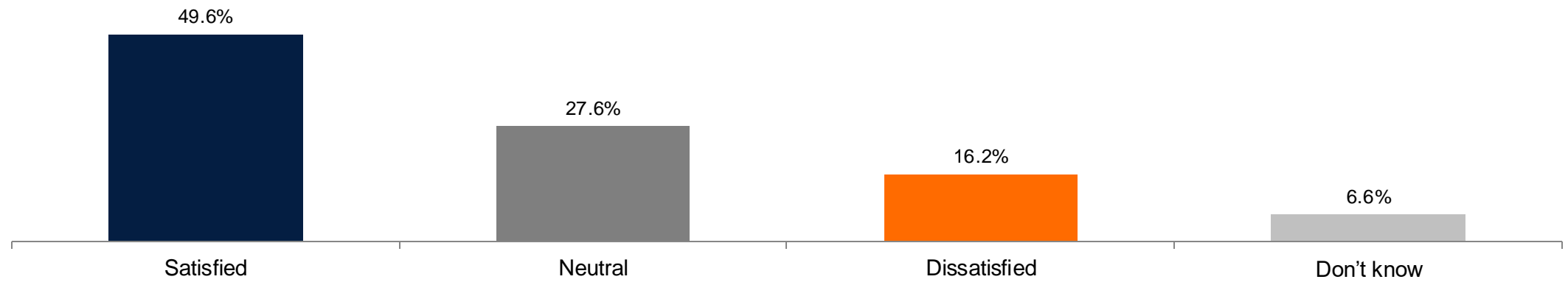
Availability of affordable quality housing in Hyattsville



50% are satisfied with the diversity in type of housing available in Hyattsville

Question 54: Please rate how satisfied you are with each of the following.

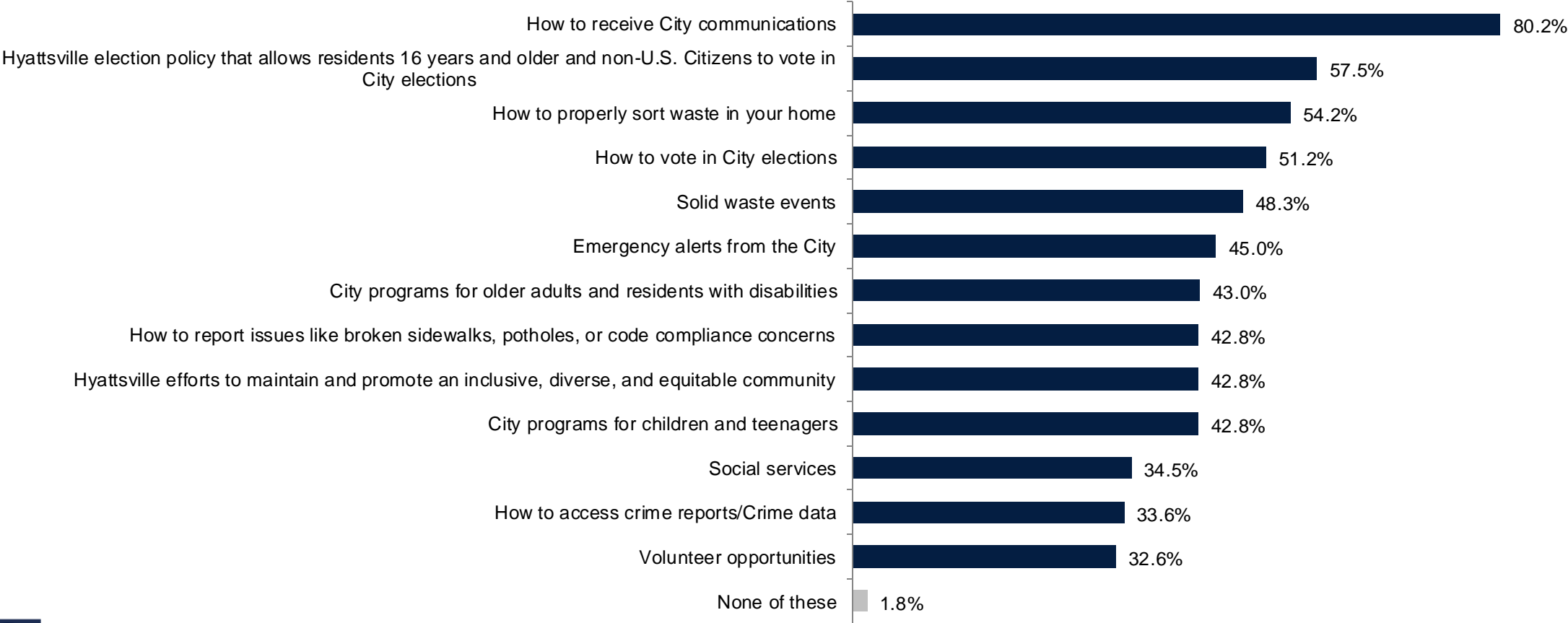
Diversity in type of housing available in Hyattsville



Awareness and Communication Preferences

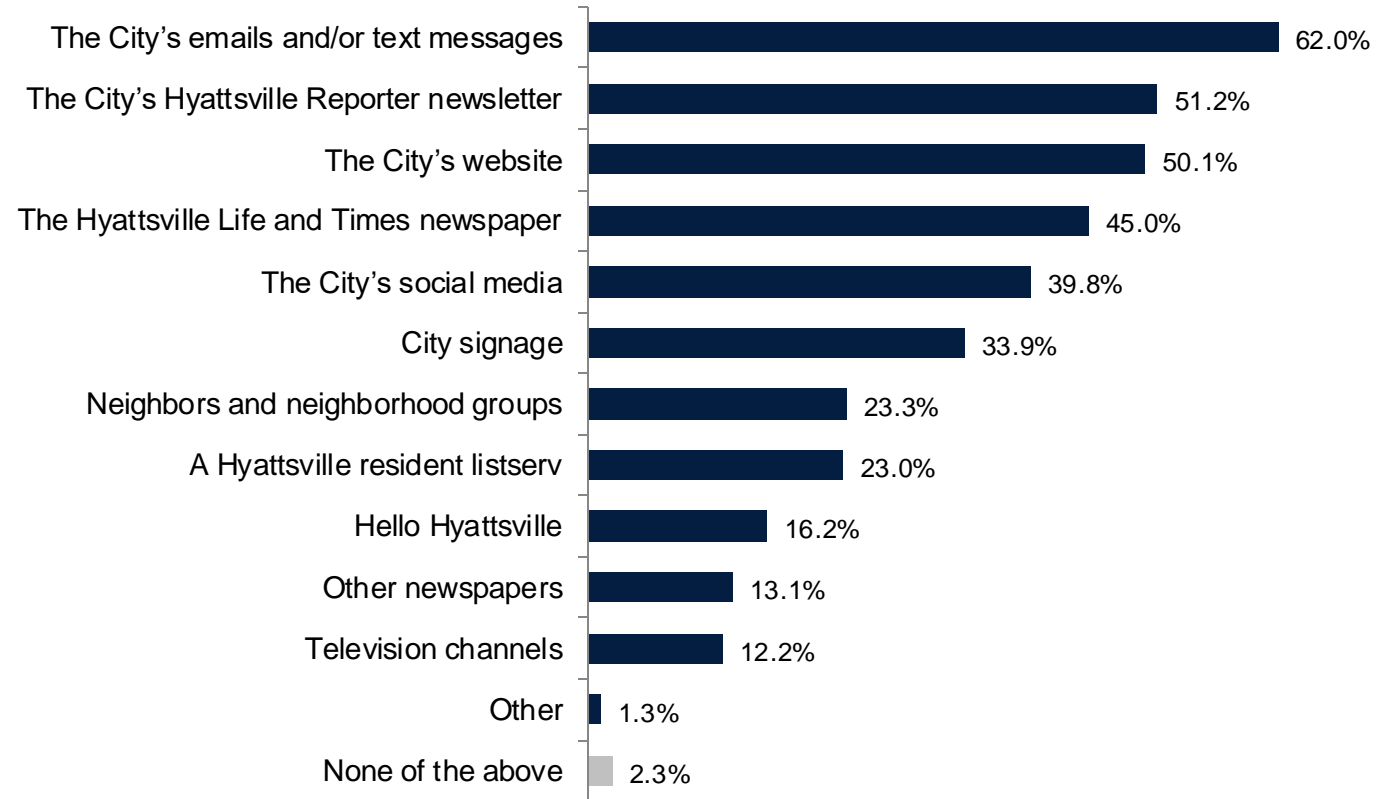
A strong majority are familiar with how to receive City communications

Q55: For the following list, please indicate what you are aware of and have some familiarity with in Hyattsville. Select all that apply.



City email and texts are the top preferences for City communications

Q56: From which of the following sources would you prefer to get information about the City of Hyattsville? Select all that apply.



Questions?

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Agenda Item Report

File #: HCC-292-FY25

4/7/2025

8.a.

Submitted by: Quianna Taylor
Submitting Department: City Clerk
Agenda Section: Proclamation

Item Title:

Proclamation Celebrating April 2025 as Arab American Heritage Month

Suggested Action:

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation recognizing April 2025 as Arab American Heritage Month in the City of Hyattsville.

Summary Background:

Across the country, cultural institutions, school districts, municipalities, state legislatures, public servants, and non-profit organizations issue proclamations and engage in special events that celebrate Arab Americans' rich heritage and numerous contributions to society.

Next Steps:

Adopt the proclamation.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

City Administrator Comments:

Recommend adoption.

Community Engagement:

Staff will create a page on the City website with resources dedicated to Arab American Heritage.

Strategic Goals:

Goal 5 - Strengthen the City's Identity as a Diverse, Creative, and Welcoming Community

Legal Review Required?

N/A

CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

PROCLAMATION

DECLARING APRIL 2025, AS ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH IN THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

Arab American Heritage Month is an annual, recognition of Arab Americans' culture, heritage, achievements, and contributions to the United States.

WHEREAS, Arab American Heritage Month has been celebrated nationally in April since 2017, this year's theme is: "Honoring the Past, Inspiring the Future," which reflects on the community's legacy while recognizing the next generation of leaders who are making strides in business, government, education, science, and the arts; and

WHEREAS, for over a century, Arab Americans have been making valuable contributions to virtually every aspect of American society: in medicine, law, business, education, technology, government, military service, culture; and

WHEREAS, since migrating to America, men and women of Arab descent have shared their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends, while also setting fine examples of model citizens and public servants; and

WHEREAS, they brought with them to America their resilient family values, strong work ethic, dedication to education, and diversity in faith and creed that have added strength to our great democracy; and

WHEREAS, the history of Arab Americans in the US. at times remains neglected or defaced by misconceptions, bigotry, and anti-Arab hate, which must be combated in the forms of education and awareness.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Hyattsville proclaim April 2025, as Arab American Heritage Month to celebrate the contributions Arab Americans have made to the City of Hyattsville and society at-large.

Robert Croslin

Mayor, City of Hyattsville

April 7, 2025





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8.b.

Submitted by: Quianna Taylor
Submitting Department: City Clerk
Agenda Section: Proclamation

Item Title:

Proclamation Celebrating World Autism Acceptance Day and Autism Acceptance Month.

Suggested Action:

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt a proclamation celebrating April 2, 2025 as World Autism Acceptance Day and April as Autism Acceptance Month in the City of Hyattsville.

Summary Background:

April is internationally recognized as World Autism Month and April 2 as World Autism Acceptance Day. The recognition and celebration during April brings awareness and encourages communities to develop improved resources for individuals who live with autism and their families.

Next Steps:

Adopt the proclamation.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

City Administrator Comments:

Recommend adoption.

Community Engagement:

City staff will use social media posts to highlight April as Autism Acceptance Month.

Strategic Goals:

Goal 5 - Strengthen the City's Identity as a Diverse, Creative, and Welcoming Community

Legal Review Required?

N/A

CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

PROCLAMATION

CELEBRATING APRIL 2, 2025, AS WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY AND APRIL 2025 AS AUTISM ACCEPTANCE MONTH IN THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

The City of Hyattsville proclaims April 2nd, 2025 to be World Autism Awareness Day and the entire month of April 2025 to be Autism Acceptance Month, which is a time to celebrate the unique perspectives of those living with autism spectrum disorder (ASD); promoting greater opportunities for autism inclusion and awareness so that individuals with autism can live full lives.

WHEREAS, autism is characterized by the National Institute of Health (NIH) as a neurological and developmental disorder that affects how people interact with others, communicate, learn, and behave; and

WHEREAS, according to The Autism Society, autism is the fastest-growing developmental disorder in the United States with 1 in 44 children diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder, totaling over 5 million young people and adults; and

WHEREAS, encouraging broader acceptance and understanding can result in improved opportunities for individuals with autism to access quality education, employment, housing, and health care; and

WHEREAS, annually the City of Hyattsville celebrates April as Autism Acceptance Month, beginning with the United Nations sanctioned World Autism Awareness Day on April 2, with the purpose of advocating, educating, and encouraging communities to develop improved systems for families and individuals living with autism;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hyattsville recognizes April 2nd, 2025, as World Autism Day and April as Autism Acceptance Month in honor of building more inclusive and supportive experiences for individuals with autism and their families.

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Mayor, City of Hyattsville

April 7, 2025





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4/7/2025

8.c.

Submitted by: Quianna Taylor
Submitting Department: City Clerk
Agenda Section: Proclamation

Item Title:

Proclamation in Honor of National Volunteer Week

Suggested Action:

I move that the Mayor and Council proclaim April 20-26, 2025 as National Volunteer Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Summary Background:

National Volunteer Week is an annual opportunity to celebrate all who voluntarily serve their community. It is also a time to encourage others to give of their time and talent to serve others.

Next Steps:

Proclaim that the week of April 20-26, 2025, to be National Volunteer Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

City Administrator Comments:

Recommend approval.

Community Engagement:

The City will continue to conduct charitable events and incorporate volunteers to help in all applicable aspects.

Strategic Goals:

Goal 5 - Strengthen the City's Identity as a Diverse, Creative, and Welcoming Community

Legal Review Required?

N/A

CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

PROCLAMATION

DECLARING THE WEEK OF APRIL 20 – 26, 2025 AS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK IN THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week is observed annually to recognize the contributions of volunteers and was established in 1974; having grown exponentially, with thousands of projects and special events scheduled throughout the U.S; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week is a time to honor those who serve their community, in ways such as youth mentorship, supporting socially isolated neighbors, beautifying our greenspaces, and providing material resources for those in need; and

WHEREAS, volunteering weaves us together, strengthening the fabric of our community by sharing our time, talent, resources, and energy with others without the expectation of reward; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hyattsville has an abundance of kindhearted residents that, through gestures big and small, make our community a great place to live.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Hyattsville recognize the week of April 20 – 26, 2025 as National Volunteer Week, encouraging all residents to support their neighbors and community members, and embrace a spirit of service.

Robert Croslin
Mayor, City of Hyattsville

April 07, 2025





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8.d.

Submitted by: Quianna Taylor
Submitting Department: City Clerk
Agenda Section: Proclamation

Item Title:
Proclamation in Honor of National Public Health Week

Suggested Action:
I move that the Mayor and Council proclaim April 7-13, 2025 as National Public Health Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Summary Background:
National Public Health Week is an annual, national campaign to recognize and raise awareness about the importance of public health.

Next Steps:
Proclaim that the week of April 7-13, 2025, to be National Public Health Week in the City of Hyattsville.

Fiscal Impact:
N/A

City Administrator Comments:
Recommend approval.

Community Engagement:
N/A

Strategic Goals:
Goal 5 - Strengthen the City's Identity as a Diverse, Creative, and Welcoming Community

Legal Review Required?
N/A

CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

PROCLAMATION

DECLARING APRIL 7 – 13, 2025, AS NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK IN THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE

National Public Health Week is an annual, national campaign to recognize and raise awareness about the importance of public health.

WHEREAS, public health is defined as the science of protecting and improving the health of people and their communities; and

WHEREAS, the theme for National Public Health Week in 2025 is “It Starts Here: Your Health is Our Mission”, emphasizing that public health starts with each of us making a difference in our homes and communities; and how the places we live, work and play affect our well-being; and

WHEREAS, the City regularly promotes resources and programming for Hyattsville residents to lead healthier lifestyles with support from the Community Services Department and the Health Wellness and Recreation Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Hyattsville proclaim April 7 – 13, 2025, as National Public Health Week to encourage residents to make better health decisions, in April and year-round.

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April 07, 2025





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9.a.

Submitted by: Nate Groenendyk
Submitting Department: City Clerk
Agenda Section: Discussion

Item Title:
FY26 Capital Improvement Plan and Budget Discussion

Suggested Action:
Discussion to review the CIP and discuss the proposed FY26 Budget.

Summary Background:
The FY26 budget revenues were presented at the March 24, 2025 meeting and departmental expenditures were presented at the April 2, 2025 meeting. Council and Staff will participate in a budget work session on April 5, 2025. Council amendments to the budget will be presented at the April 21, 2025 meeting.

Next Steps:
Council Discussion

Fiscal Impact:
Please see budget documents on the City's website at Hyattsville.org/budget.

City Administrator Comments:
For discussion.

Community Engagement:
Community members are encouraged to submit comment on the budget to cityclerk@hyattsville.org or to their individual Councilmembers.

Strategic Goals:
Goal 2 - Ensure the Long-Term Economic Viability of the City

Legal Review Required?
N/A



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11.a.

Submitted by: Nate Groenendyk
Submitting Department: City Clerk
Agenda Section: Motion to Close

Item Title:

Motion to Close - Note: Council will not Return to Open Session

Suggested Action:

I move the Mayor and Council close the Council Meeting of April 7, 2025, in order to consult with the City Administrator and staff to discuss negotiations related to the acquisition of real property.

This session will be closed under the authority of the Annotated Code of Maryland State Government General Provisions Article Section 3-305 (b) (3) to consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto".

Summary Background:

N/A

Next Steps:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

City Administrator Comments:

Recommend support.

Community Engagement:

N/A

Strategic Goals:

Goal 2 - Ensure the Long-Term Economic Viability of the City

Legal Review Required?

Complete