



# City of Ann Arbor Deer Management Plan Public Meeting #2

February 5, 2015

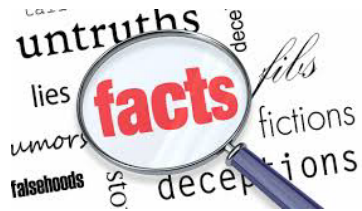
Welcome . . .



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**City of Ann Arbor**



# Desired Outcomes



- Update community on project progress
- Provide more detail on most common approaches - lethal/non-lethal
- Listen to public comment



*Meeting will be recorded by CTN and available on the project website.*

# Tonight's Agenda



- Desired Outcomes
- Team Introduction
- Facilitation Process and Norms
- Project Introduction and Progress Update
- Interview with Lance DeVoe, Rochester Hills Biologist
- Proposed Deer Management Plan (with lethal methods) - Chris Graham, WCEB Member
- Public Comment



# Team Introduction

- Lisa Wondrash, City of Ann Arbor, Communication Director
- Charlie Fleetham, Project Innovations, Public Engagement Facilitator



# Facilitation Process

1. Will take questions after interview/presentation.
2. Will use comment cards for questions.
3. Will maintain agenda time periods.
4. Will preserve an atmosphere of mutual respect between presenters and audience . . . and stakeholder organizations.
5. Will have extended public comment (3 minute limit per speaker).



# Project History

2013	Residents report deer damaging landscape, causing vehicle accidents (Arbor Hills & Green Road/Glazier Way)
May 5, 2014	Council resolution to evaluate deer management options
August 2014	Staff delivers report: <i>Deer Management Options</i>
Aug. 14, 2014	Council authorizes development of community endorsed Deer Management Plan with Public Engagement
Oct. 2014	Using City's procurement process, Project Innovations awarded public engagement contract (\$19,860)



# Project History

<b>Nov. 2014: Interviewed stakeholders:</b>			
▪ Ann Arbor Police Chief	▪ Humane Society of Huron Valley	▪ Natural Area Preservation Program Mgr.	▪ Washtenaw Citizens for Ecological Balance
▪ Ann Arbor Parks & Rec Service Mgr.	▪ MNDR	▪ University of Michigan	▪ Washtenaw County Parks Director
<b>Dec. 10, 2014</b>	<b>Conducted Public Meeting #1</b>		
<b>Jan. 2, 2015</b>	<b>Closed A2 Open City Hall Survey (537 responses)</b>		
<b>Jan. 2015</b>	<b>Interviewed additional stakeholder - Citizens for Safe Ann Arbor</b>		



# Activities Planned

Feb. 5, 2015	Conduct Public Meeting #2
Feb. 2015	Conduct deer flyover
Feb. 2015	Conduct Survey #2 on A2 Open City Hall
Feb/Mar 2015	Draft Deer Management Plan
March 2015	Incorporate stakeholder feedback
March 2015	Incorporate Survey #2 results
March 2015	Deliver Deer Management Plan to City Council

# Key Questions for Plan Development:

- ✓ What should be the goals of a deer management program?
- ✓ What would be the deer management area?
- ✓ What is the preferred deer management method(s)?



# Key Messages

- ✓ The plan will not contain a recommendation.
- ✓ The plan will present data collected, including community/stakeholder input.
- ✓ The plan will present multiple options and costs.

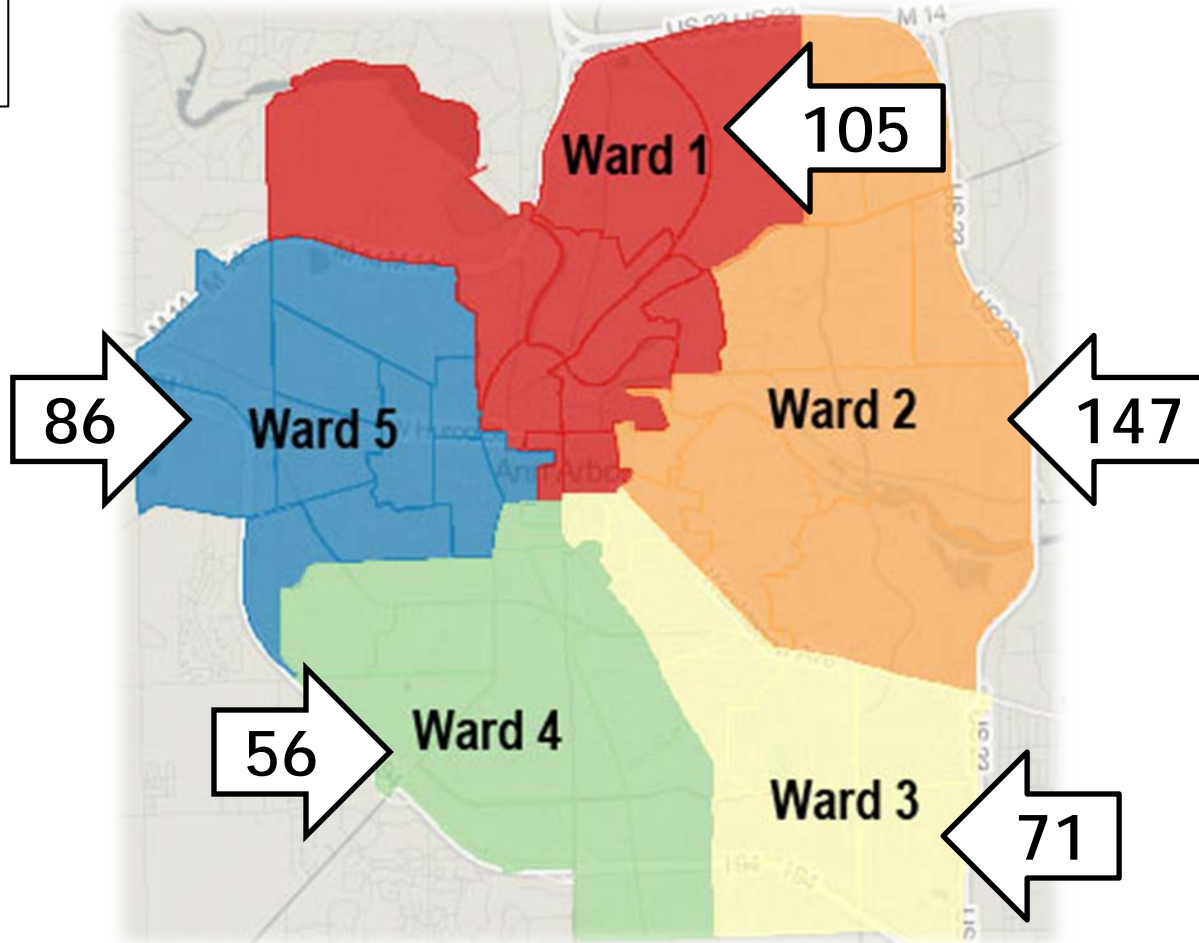


# Conducting Survey via A2 Open City Hall (Available on City of Ann Arbor website)

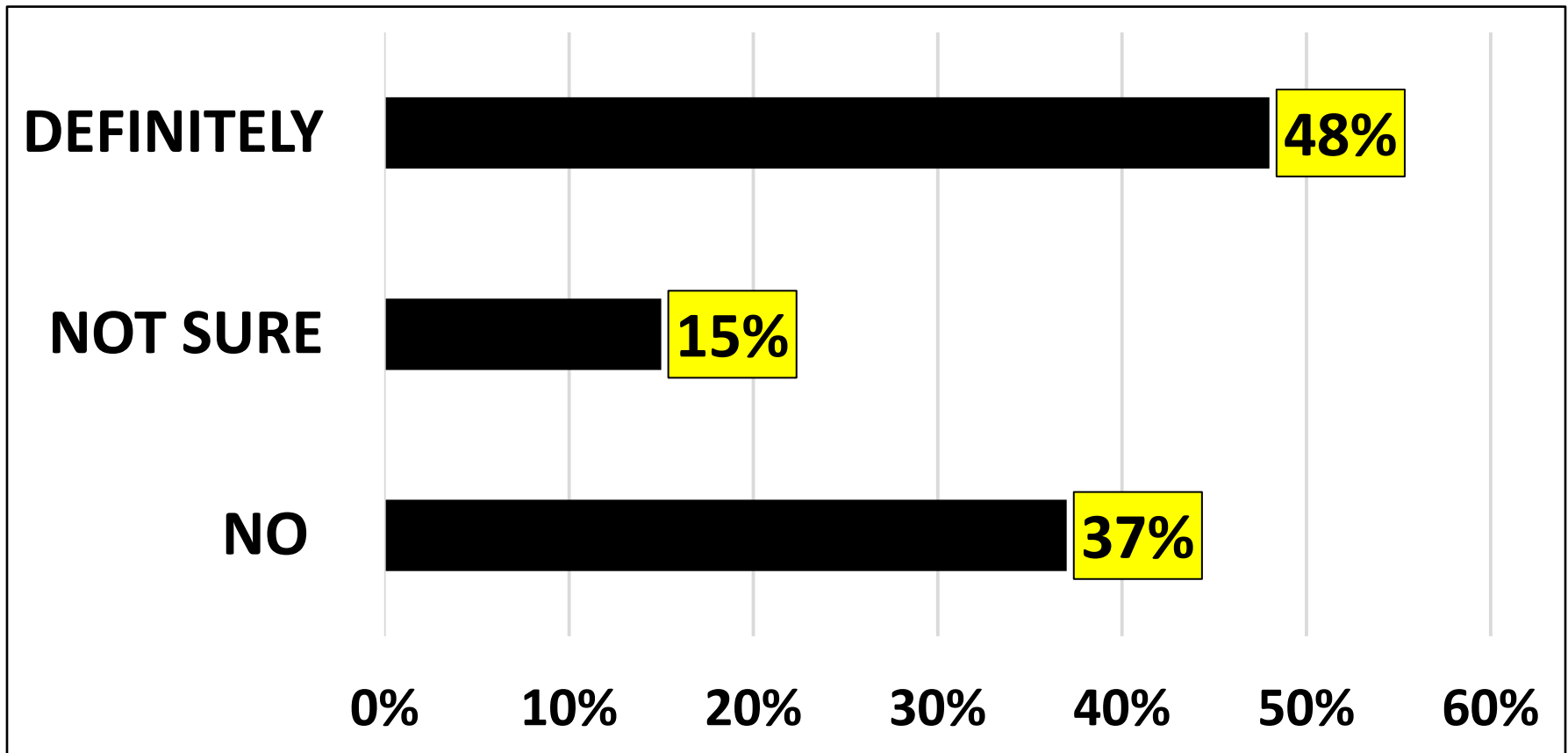
- Launched Nov. 25, 2014/Closed Jan 2, 2015
- 537 Responses
- 1,632 Views

# 537 Total Responses

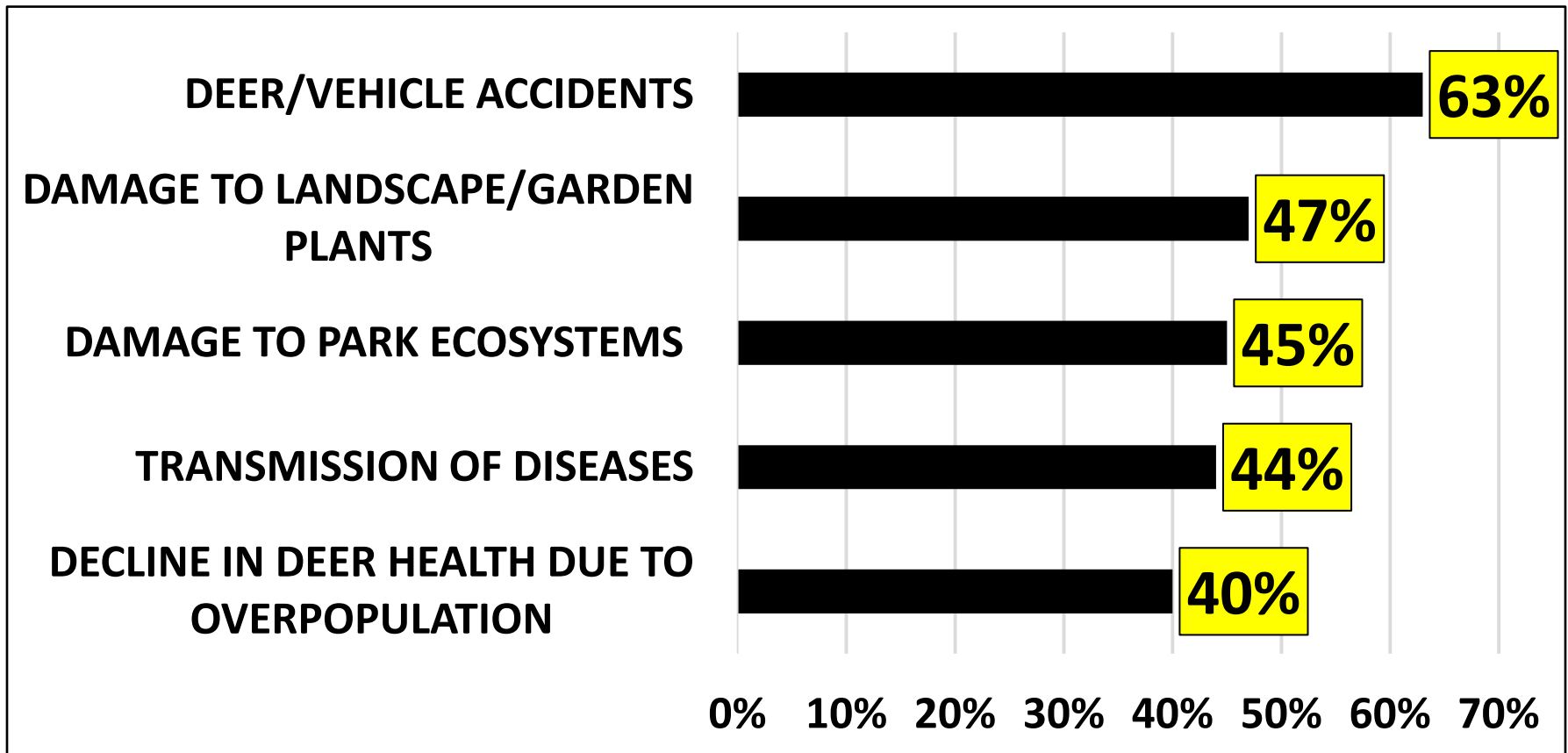
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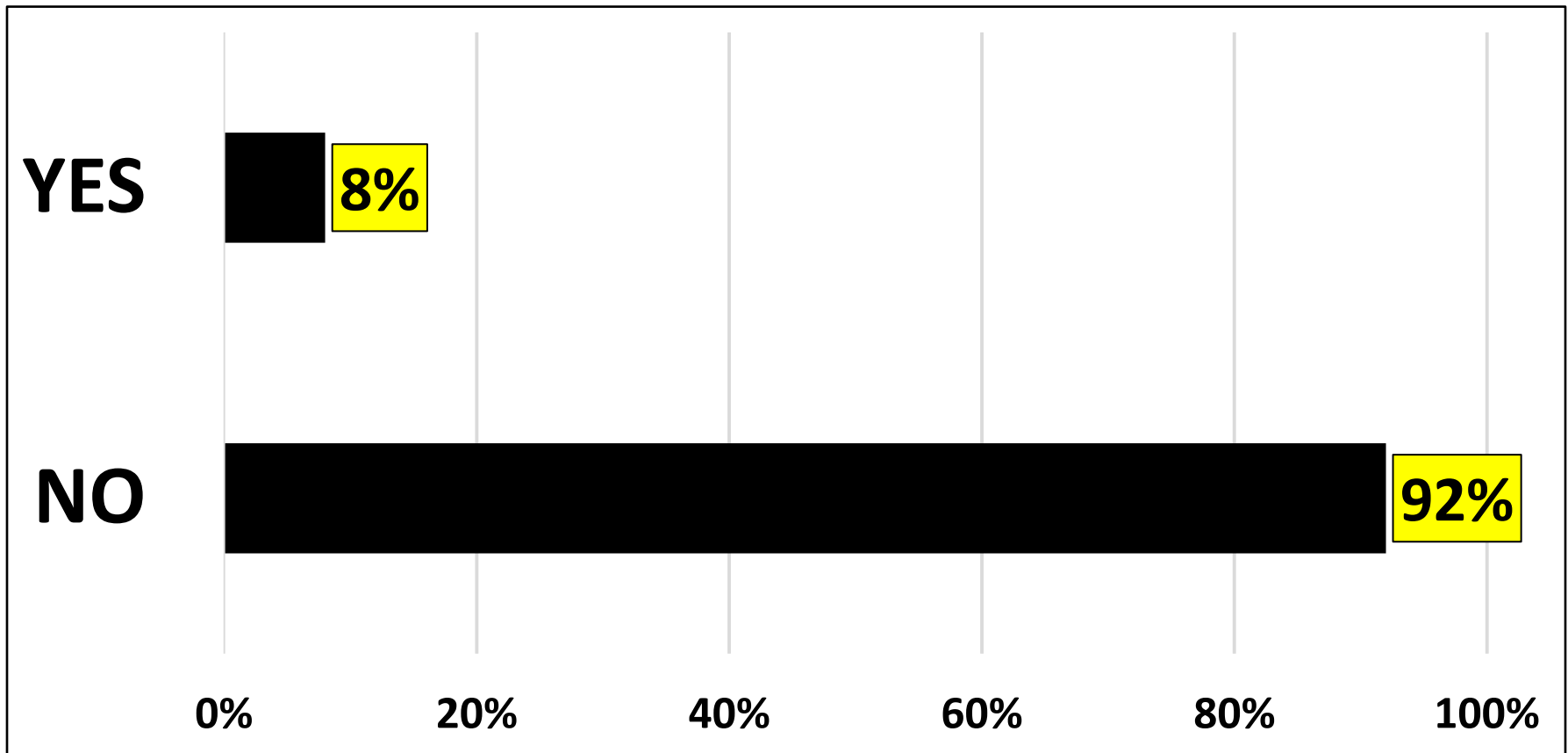
In the past three years, have you seen a significant increase of deer in your neighborhood?



# Which of the following concerns do you have about deer in the City of Ann Arbor?

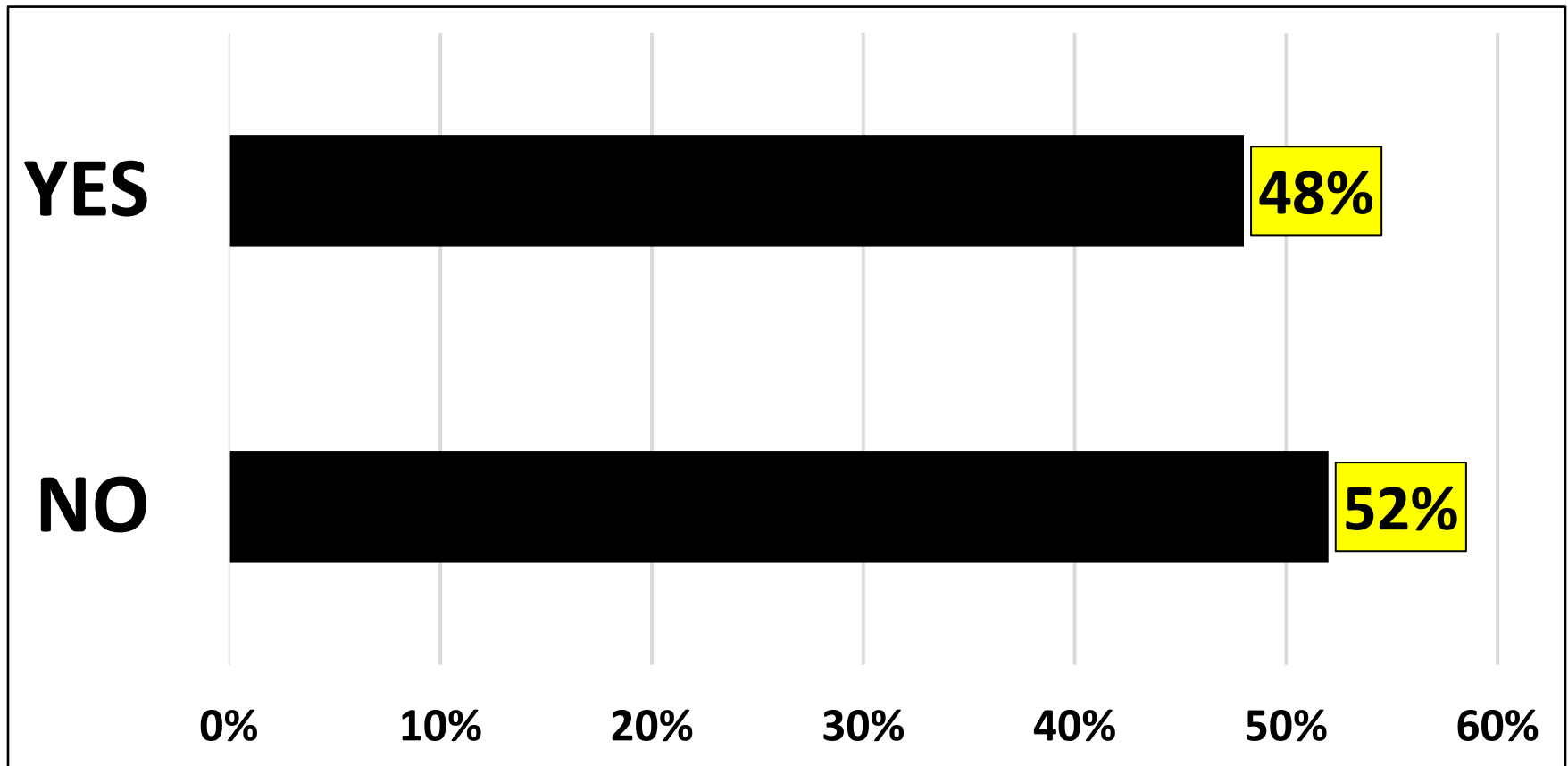


# Has someone in your household been involved in a car/deer accident within the City of Ann Arbor?

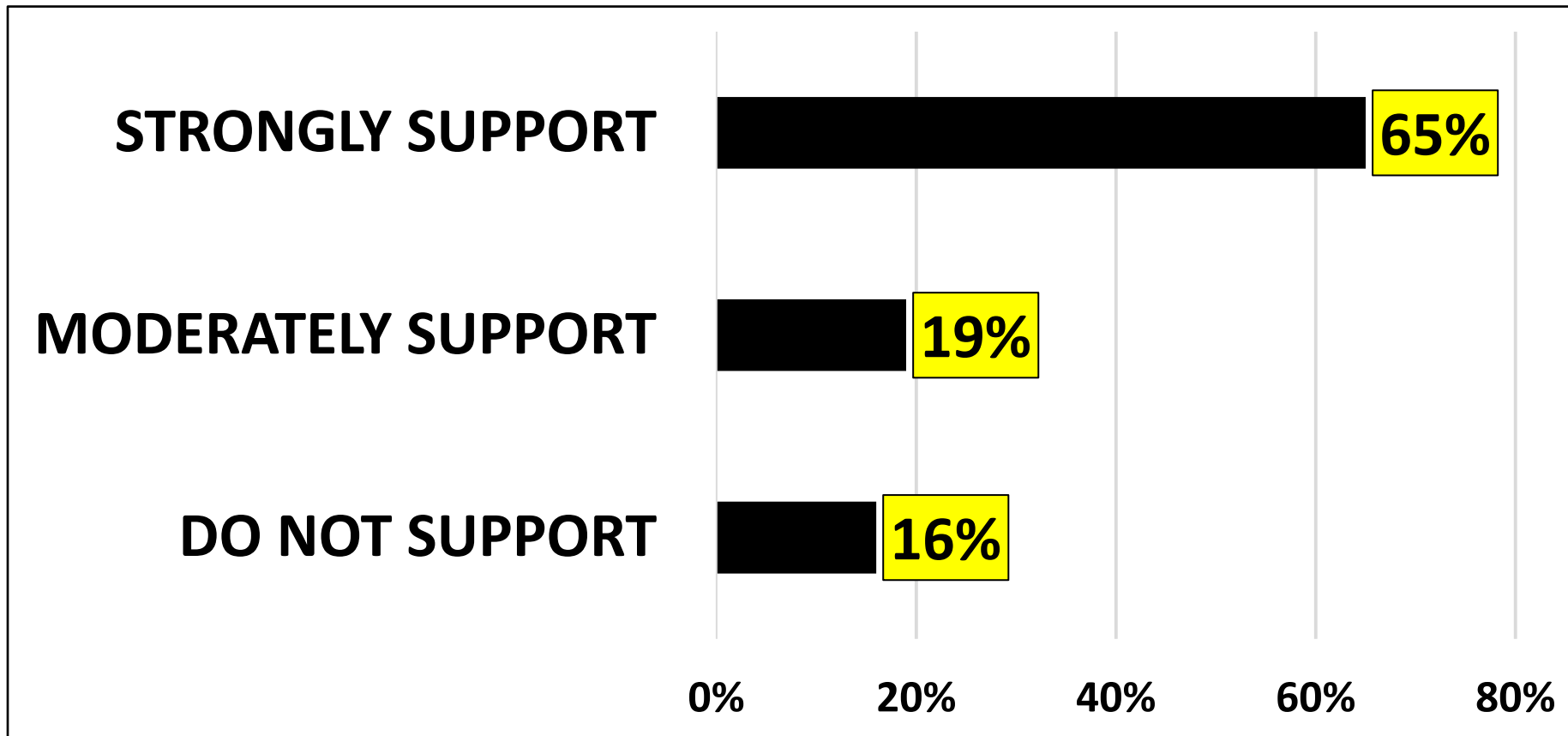




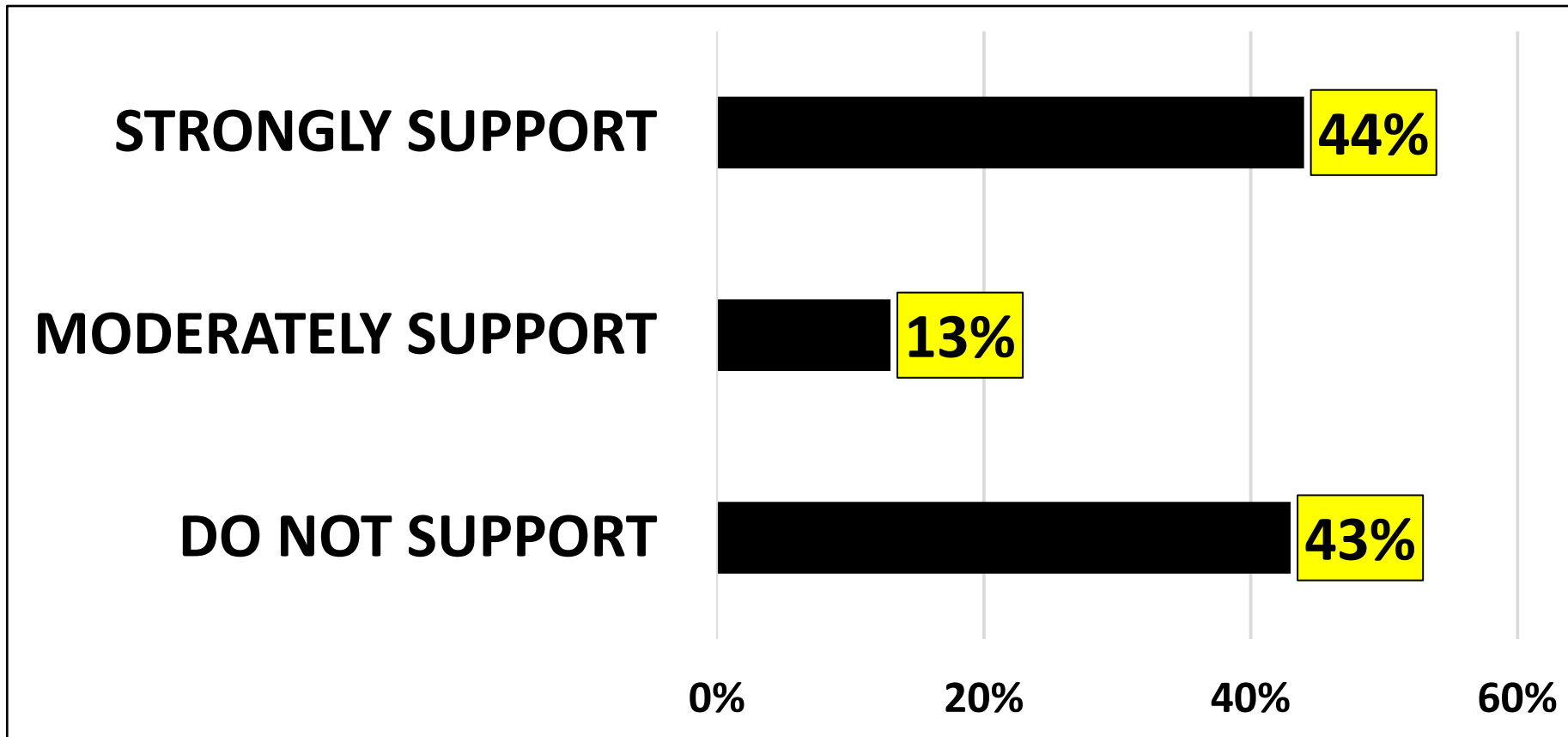
# Have your garden plants or landscape been damaged by deer?



Please indicate your level of support for prohibiting supplemental feeding of deer by residents:



Please indicate your level of support for using lethal methods such as hunting or sharpshooting to reduce the deer population:



# What concerns would you have regarding a managed lethal removal of white-tailed deer within the City?

