

GLN 2016 Survey Question 2 –Summary as of August 30, 2016

2. As part of the above project, a 4,000 square foot space is designated for ground-floor retail. What type of business would you prefer in this space? Please specify up to three options numbered in order of preference.



Can a neighborhood have too many restaurants? It seems in the Grand Lake, we are always ready for more. Parking continues to show up as an issue, as does the increasing cost of living. About 52% of the respondents agree or strongly agree that a mixed use development is a good idea, about 37% disagree or strongly disagree. Please see other relevant comments in Question 17.

*Question 2 word count (after spell check):*

restaurant 209 (instances)

chain 85

retail 75

local 73

parking 43

(men's/womens/kids) clothing 42

cafe 41

bakery 38

coffee 37

bar 34

butcher 33

deli 32

community (services) 27

anything 22

fish 20

grocery 18

cheese 17

healthy 16

music 14

book 13

hardware 13

*Representative Comments (of 504 total):*

I don't think we need more retail in that area and I am concerned about the density of housing and how that would impact traffic in the area. Will there be parking in the building?

The only places that are able to afford new construction retail space is going to be things like Starbucks and subway. Lake Merritt bakery would be a better choice to save the neighborhood institution.

Kid friendly restaurant / bar with outdoor area - a la temescal brewery. No nail salons or cell phone / carrier stores!

Merritt Bakery & Restaurant (maintain/expand/relocate)

Music/art/cultural venue; Neighborhood Community Center / Art Space

Anything but a nail shop; anything but fast food and nail shops.

Save the Kwik way - it's historic signage and architecture is great for the neighborhood. Renovate the Lakeview school to condos and add a residential high rise there.

Really good, authentic mexican, peruvian or Salvadorian food A great bag store (luggage & bike messenger type bags) - ideally locally made products Baby & kids supply (not just clothes but hard goods too) with a lactation room & mom's support group/exercise class.