

The following comments have been transcribed from the sound wall surveys completed by homeowners in the survey area. Not all survey responses included comments, but all comments received are captured below.

Comments provided with “yes” survey response:

- The traffic noise is bad, but the construction noise is worse. I am concerned about directly facing a concrete wall, and what the impact will be to my property value, but I've been saving for new windows to insulate my bedroom from the noise so I suppose if the wall will reduce noise 5-10 decibel, then I'll take it. No view, no direct access to the street, but hopefully peace and privacy.
- As the amount of traffic has increased the road noise has become overly intrusive and a sound wall has become essential. I've stayed in big cities and buildings adjacent to freeways and airports and they seem to use a thick glass for their windows. Would this be an alternative solution? Maybe share the cost with Denver Airport which has at times aligned flight departure times above Fronterra Village.
- I would like to express my full support for the construction of a sound wall along 96th Ave next to my home. The noise generated by traffic especially the heavy trucks that pass at all hours is extremely loud. The constant flow of these vehicles causes vibrations that shake the house and negatively impact the daily peace and overall quality of life for those who live in the area. Installing a sound wall would significantly reduce the noise and help improve the safety, health, and well being of the community. I believe the measure is both necessary and urgent. Thank you for your attention and support.
- We are in full support of the sound walls as the pending high school and 96th widening have already increased the sound discomfort. Additionally, we are disappointed that this was not included in the City's budget along with road expansion. We were told by builders and Commerce City Public Works when they came out in October 2024 that retention walls were planned in the City's budget. Otherwise, we may not have bought our home here. Hope for a wall that the City pays for.
- We would be happy with an 8 foot wall. 12 foot adjacent to the paired homes in Buffalo Highlands is too tall.
- Very needed! Thank you!
- Please restrict traffic on 96th Ave to non-commercial traffic. The semi trucks are the most disruptive.
- A sound wall would be perfect! The traffic noise is so loud my house shakes when big trucks drive by. I also think this would provide safety in our homes from the busy traffic. If the traffic is super loud now I cannot imagine how much worse it will be when the street expands. Please install these walls.
- Should have been done when East Pointe was being built!

Comments provided with “no” survey response:

- I think the sound wall is not necessary and would make our townhome and community ugly. I am concerned that pedestrians would feel like they are walking in a tunnel. As a female I would feel vulnerable as the sidewalk would be hidden from the road. The wind blows strong from the south, the wall would collect debris.
- Our house is parallel to 96th Ave, 60' from curb. We purchased this home for its wonderful view. A sound barrier would destroy this view. I do not want a sound barrier.
- I suggest re visiting this when the widening project has been completed and affected residents can then determine if the noise increase is bothersome enough to want a sound wall rather than a view. Increased landscaping in the median along the north side of 96th Ave could help mitigate increased noise level.
- The wall would look terrible!
- I bought this house for its curb appeal and the beautiful view. I was so excited that I overlook the Arsenal and nobody would build there. Please don't do this. Thank you.
- We bought our home in 2023 in part for the fact that our view of the arsenal! Love the unblocked open space where nothing will ever be built. An 8 foot wall at the curb will literally make the front of our owned home feel like a prison wall. We will never be able to sell. This is not our long term home. We are 62 and 67. We do not deserve to lose everything due to diminished property value due to an 8 foot prison wall. No 8 foot prison wall directly outside of our front door, it will kill any property value we have. We do not approve!
- Who is going to fund this potential sound wall? I feel like the City has gotten ahead of itself on the project. My main concern is property value loss and increase of HOA fees due to HOA being responsible for maintenance. I like my views and open space, and I think this sound wall would make the community less attractive.
- If this does get approved, where will the money come from to be allocated? If I lose the view, will my property value go down? If it will go down only 7-10 decibels, why bother? So, I am not sure of my support.
- I never want to block the view - nor be charged higher taxes or HOA fees.
- The wall would be too much of a barrier of my current view.
- We love the view
- This may obstruct views and look unappealing, especially if it is not well designed. Sound walls may not completely eliminate noise, especially if not tall or thick enough. Also, if I decide to sell house, some buyers might see sound walls as a sign of a less desirable area, negatively impacting value.
- I am not sure if it makes sense to install on this particular block. I worry that it would bring down value to the home. I also don't think it will look aesthetically pleasing to this particular block since our homes front doors are facing south. I also don't think these walls will significantly reduce the sound of traffic. Speed enforcements would work better.