



# Gateway Regional Center Urban Renewal Area Program Advisory Committee (PAC)

Wednesday, January 21, 2009  
6:30-8:00 pm  
East Portland Community Center  
740 SE 106<sup>th</sup> Ave

## Meeting Summary

### 1-1 Welcome

#### Members present (in alphabetical order):

<input type="checkbox"/> Teena Ainslie Hazelwood at Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susan Brady Mt. Hood Comm. College	<input type="checkbox"/> Tim Brunner E. Pdx Chamber of Com.	--- Vacant Business Rep. at-large
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frieda Christopher Business Owner at-large	--- Vacant Property Owner	<input type="checkbox"/> Jim Doig Gateway Resident	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Earnest Chair and Hazelwood at-large
--- Vacant Parkrose Heights at-large	E - Ted Gilbert Housing Developer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rowanne Haley IRCO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arlene Kimura Hazelwood Nbhd. Assoc.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jerry Koike Gateway Resident	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lynn Powell Gateway Elks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackie Putnam Vice Chair & Gateway Res.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alesia Reese Woodland Pk Nbhd. Assoc.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Linda Robinson Hazelwood at-large	E -David Russell Adventist Medical Center	E - Fred Sanchez Gateway Business	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dorene Warner Non-Profit Housing

**PDC Staff present:** Justin Douglas, Sue Lewis, Amy Miller Dowell, Juan Carlos Ocaña-Chíu

**Bureau Staff:** Steve Dotterer-Planning, Stuart Gwin-Transportation, Brett Horner-Parks

**1.2 Public Comment:** None

**1.3 PAC Terms & Reappointments:** Juan Carlos Ocaña-Chíu - PDC

#### **Brief Summary:**

- In June 2006, PDC board adopted the Urban Renewal Advisory Committee policy, which set advisory positions to three-year terms, serving a maximum of two terms.
- The first three-year term ends June 2009. Those members whose terms expire need to contact PDC if they wish to continue to serve on the committee.
- Organization representatives whose terms end in 2009, and wish to be re-appointment, need the organization to submit a re-appointment letter to PDC by April 10, 2009.

**Follow-up Action:** Staff to coordinate with members whose positions expire in 2009.

**1.4 PDC Reorganization Update:** Juan Carlos Ocaña-Chíu - PDC

#### **Brief Summary:**

- PDC reorganized its operating departments (Housing, Development and Economic Development) into a single department called the Urban Development Department (UDD) late last year (2008).
- No major changes occur with the Gateway Regional Center URA, other than it now falls within the East/Southeast Division under the Neighborhood Division
- In December 2008, Mayor Adams and Councilor Fish announced a reorganization within the city bureaus, which will merge PDC Housing Department and the Bureau of Housing and Community Development into the Bureau of Housing.
- A transition team will have 45 days to establish a plan.

**Follow-up:** PAC members to send questions and/or concerns to Bob Earnest via email. Bob will compile responses and coordinate a consolidated communication to elected officials.

### **1.5 Park Acquisition Update:** Justin Douglas - PDC and Brett Horner - Portland Parks and Recreation

#### **Brief Summary:**

- PDC and PP&R partnered to close on the purchase of property 10506-10512 and 10520 NE Halsey Street
- The purchase price was \$4.3 million for 4.18 acres
- There previously was a dry-cleaning business on the southern parcel, which requires environmental clean-up. The seller has \$500,000 in escrow from the sale for the clean-up. PDC is facilitating the clean-up and has up to two years to complete. The seller will receive any clean-up cost savings under \$500,000. The seller is not liable for any amount beyond \$500,000. PDC has applied for a \$200,000 grant through the Environmental Protection Agency; awards will be announced in spring/summer 2009..
- There will be an interim period before Park funds are available to complete the improvements.
- A fence will be placed around the site to prevent unauthorized use of the site.
- Next step is to begin the master plan process to determine how the site will be developed.

**Follow-up:** Add Master Plan discussion to next PAC Leadership meeting February 11<sup>th</sup>. (Leadership meeting moved from 2/18 to 2/11 due to conflict with City Council hearing on East Portland Action Plan)

### **1.6 Streetcar System Plan & PAC Support – Arlene Kimura**

#### **Brief Summary:**

- Reviewed map that highlights different district and where potential streetcar lines could go. (*Attachment A – Streetcar Plan*)
- The System Advisory Committee (SAC) met Thursday, January 15, 2009, to weight line options.
- Gateway PAC expressed support for the Gateway Loop, which is seen as an economic redevelopment enhancement tool. A formal letter of support is requested from the SAC.

**Motions/proposals made and disposition:** Reese made a motion, Robinson seconded, to submit a letter of support for the Gateway Streetcar Loop to the Streetcar System Loop.

**Results of vote:**

**Ayes:** Brady, Christopher, Earnest, Haley, Kimura, Koike, Powell, Putnam, Reese, Robinson and Warner

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Follow-up:** Staff will work with Gateway PAC leadership to draft letter.

### **1.7 2009-2010 Gateway URA Budget – Justin Douglas**

**Brief Summary:**

- Current budget projections are: FY 09/10 is \$5.8 million; FY 10/11-\$10 million; and FY 11/12-\$5 million.
- A budget prioritization survey will be sent to PAC members to assist in determining budget prioritization. Results will be used to prepare budget memo to PDC Board of Commissioners.
- Staff will be meeting with the Economic Development Administration, a division of the Department of Commerce, to investigate potential grant funds for local streets.

**Follow-up:** Staff to send Budget Prioritization Survey to PAC members. PAC Chair and co-chair will meet with staff to review survey results and past budget priorities on February 5. A draft budget memo will be developed and submitted on February 10.

### **1.8 Gateway Green Update – Linda Robinson**

**Brief Summary:**

- The International Biking Association is coordinating a bicycle charrette on February 7, 2009 at Crossroads Christians School to identify the types of bicycle/recreational activities desired on the site in order to provide information to ODOT outlining potential use so they will have a better idea of the various studies that may be needed to get federal approval, since federal funds were used to purchase the site.
- There is a plan to have a similar workshop to address the potential sustainable alternative energy options.
- Linda applied and received a Small Neighborhood Grant through the Office of Neighborhood Involvement to conduct outreach to gauge the interest of establishing a Friends of Gateway Green non-profit group. Part of the grant funds will pay for a web host site. The web site will be created by a website developer who volunteered his time towards the project.

### **1.9 Miscellany - All**

- Alesia Reese updated on the Regional Arts and Culture Council 2% for Arts selection committee: *Committee met in December to review artist*

*submissions. There were 131 artist submittals, which were narrowed down to four who will have final interviews in February. Alesia will present the chosen artist at the March PAC meeting.*

- Frieda Christopher updated on State Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) decision on Urban Renewal Area Satellite Districts: *LUBA, in their review of an appeal of an amendment to the River District Urban Renewal Plan that would create a noncontiguous “satellite” district and increase the maximum indebtedness to fund construction of a public structure (elementary), remanded the case back to the city who has to prove how a new school would benefit the primary URA before it may proceed.*

**Meeting adjourned at 8:13**

**Future meeting:**

Feb. 11, 2009:	Gateway PAC Leadership
March 18, 2009:	Gateway PAC General
April 15, 2009:	Gateway PAC Leadership
May 20, 2009:	Gateway PAC General
June 17, 2009:	Gateway PAC Leadership
July 15, 2009:	Gateway PAC General
Aug. 19, 2009:	Gateway PAC Leadership
Sept. 16, 2009:	Gateway PAC General
Oct. 21, 2009:	Gateway PAC Leadership
Nov. 18, 2009:	Gateway PAC General:

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