



**South Waterfront
Greenway Implementation Strategy
PARTNERSHIP GROUP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, September 21, 2005
1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

MEETING SUMMARY

Committee Members in Attendance: Nicole Peterson (Williams & Dame Developers, Inc.), Rick Saito (Group Mackenzie), Larry Brown for Cheryl Twete (Portland Development Commission), Henry Kunowski for Janet Bebb (Portland Parks & Recreation), Bob Durgan (Andersen Construction Co., Inc.), Mark Williams (OHSU).

Committee Members not in Attendance: Cheryl Twete (Portland Development Commission), Janet Bebb (Portland Parks & Recreation), Bob Sallinger (Audubon Society of Portland), Vince Sheridan (Equity Office).

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Committee Business

Revision of Phase II Work Plan & Schedule

Handout: Greenway Implementation Strategy Phase II Work Plan & Schedule

Kia Selley (PDC) walked the Partnership Group through the updated Greenway Strategy Phase II Work Plan & Schedule. A few modifications were made to the Work Plan & Schedule based on Partnership Group (PG) feedback. To view a complete version of the document please visit PDC's website at:

http://www.pdc.us/pdf/ura/north_macadam/greenway/phase_ii_greenway_implementation_strategy.pdf.

3. Review & Discussion of Draft Greenway Development Evaluation Criteria

Handout: Draft Greenway Development Evaluation Criteria

Kia Selley (PDC) explained that the Greenway Development Evaluation Criteria will be used to build phases of the Greenway Development Plan. To view the Greenway Development Evaluation Criteria, please visit PDC's website at:

http://www.pdc.us/pdf/ura/north_macadam/greenway/development_evaluation_criteria.pdf.

- The evaluation criteria will be used by the city when investing public funds in Greenway capital improvements; the criteria will not dictate how private property owner funds are invested in the Greenway. Specifically, the criteria will help the city to determine where, how much and when Greenway development should occur.
- The draft evaluation criteria are based on the Guiding Principles for Greenway Phasing, and will provide for a methodical decision making process that cannot be dominated by special interest(s).
- The draft evaluation criteria are also consistent with the goals of the Phase I Greenway Report to City Council, which was prepared by the Bureau of Planning and accepted by City Council (March 12, 2003).

- Public funds for Greenway development are scarce, so resources must be directly strategically to best serve Greenway users and leverage additional private investment in the Greenway and District.
- Initial phases of Greenway implementation should include riparian and trail improvements. Habitat connectivity and use of the Greenway as a transportation corridor are key priorities.
- Our discussions seem to focus on access to the Greenway, but public access to the water needs to be considered; access to the water has never been made a priority. Public interest for water access appears to be growing and should be addressed early-on.
- The evaluation criteria will be updated based on PG feedback and discussion and redistributed at the next PG meeting in November.

5. Status of Greenway Code Development Project

- The Bureau of Planning and Bureau of Development Services are in preliminary discussions on Code that addresses Greenway Development Plan implementation.
- Flexibility is needed for Greenway Development Plan implementation, particularly in terms of the phasing or timing of improvements. The Greenway Code Development project will address this issue of implementation flexibility.
- A preliminary finding is that a development standard is needed for the trail.
- Code language will be drafted in the beginning of 2006.

6. Public Discussion

(None)

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.