

Northwest Neighborhood

Fall 2011 Newsletter



It's Planning Time Again!

by Dave Kammeyer

In June of 1996 the Northwest Neighborhood Association officially proposed and the City adopted a Neighborhood Action Plan. The purpose of a neighborhood action plan is "to identify issues that are of concern to the residents of the neighborhood, and to devise strategies for addressing these concerns. In conjunction with broader policies and implementation measures contained within the City's comprehensive plan, the neighborhood action planning process is intended to protect and enhance livability within specific neighborhoods, as well as to help fulfill the overall community vision and to create a more livable city."

The action plan contained a number of objectives and corresponding "action steps" that the neighborhood planned to take to accomplish them, often in partnership with the City and other entities within the county. A copy of the plan can be found on the City's website at www.cityofvancouver.us or you can request a copy from the City at the Office of Neighborhoods, 487-8625.

With the recent update to the City's Comprehensive Plan it is time to assess the progress made in implementing the Neighborhood Action Plan, celebrate the successes, learn from those objectives where progress was not made, and use the learning in crafting a new plan.

The neighborhood leadership team would like to acknowledge and celebrate the progress made on the original plan at our January meeting.

To that end we are soliciting input from everyone in the neighborhood, especially those who were actively involved in the plan's development and implementation. We would especially like to invite the original members of the plan committee, Bill Dygert, Marilyn Koeninger, Michael Richardson, Barbara Veals, Carla Green, Chuck Ray, and Ceci Smith to share their experience.

We would like to compile a list of success stories as well as learning what we can acknowledge and carry forward in the next planning effort. Please send your input or feedback to Dave Kammeyer at dkammeyer@comcast.net or Todd Clark at telark@urbandesigndpx.com.

At that same meeting we will be looking for residents of the neighborhood who are interested in working on a committee to update the plan. If you are interested please contact Dave Kammeyer or any one of the other association officers. We look forward to hearing your thoughts and comments.

Next Neighborhood Meeting

October 27, 7:00 pm

Franklin Elementary School

Guest speakers from
Energy Trust & Sierra Club



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attached in this
issue!

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