

**East End Redevelopment Plan
Investing in the Downtown
Community Meeting
September 30, 2015**

Participant Comment Card Summary

What people like about the downtown:

- Walkability
- Shops and Restaurants
- Landscaping
- Grocery Stores
- Post Office
- Public Parking
- Parks and Recreation
- Farmers' Market
- Sundeleaf Plaza
- Chuck's Coffee
- Safety
- Millennium Plaza
- Art
- Theater

What people would like to see in the downtown:

- 3 story limit on development
- Hotel
- Meeting Spaces
- Transit Center
- More Retail
- Gathering Areas
- Fix Sidewalks
- More Mixed Housing
- Safe Crossing on State Street
- More Parks
- Less Traffic
- Covered Sidewalks
- Less Apartments
- Stationary Store
- Chain Restaurants
- Improved Traffic
- Art
- Larger Library
- Underground Power Poles
- 4-5 Story Buildings
- Auto Parts Store
- Commuter Parking
- Walking Trails
- Less Tear-Downs in First Addition
- Civic Center

General Comments:

- Hold Safeway redevelopment until the impact of the Wizer Block traffic are known. If housing is to be considered in the area, consider affordable senior housing or a co-housing type of development rather than the typical apartment condos.
- Retail/boutique retail can't happen without more density.

- Village character prior to Wizer Development, free parking and easy access to plentiful parking, view of Mt Hood see coming down A Avenue.
- I feel strongly that urban renewal funds should NOT pay for Police/911. It's not the purpose of the funds. Also, City Hall itself needs to be looked at.
- Need to minimize number of stories in redevelopment projects and don't redevelop Safeway block. It's a good place for a transit center and one of the best features of downtown. (useful, convenient, practical-more trees?)
- Would like to see access from parking on 1st and B to Alley.
- High priority to fix/upgrade infrastructure. No large buildings, condos, apts.-overbuilt now and no support to increased traffic.
- UR-conform as close as possible to necessity and purpose of URD. Enhance future property tax; increase in economic vitality and stimulate residential growth through redevelopment on private property/commercial use. Not in favor of use for 911-cheating economic development and setting up UR for criticism by other municipalities.
- It's compact-easily walkable 2. It's visually attractive-landscaping, well-kept 3. Parking/
- Civic Center 2. Public Parking.
- RR Crossing northbound on State needs replacing. Pedestrian tweeter at 2nd street and A has stopped working. Gathering places-meeting spaces for larger groups than the library conference rooms can hold. Public spaces and plazas.
- Don't spend LOA \$ on Police/911 bldg except for business/retail use. Don't build new hotel in North Anchor includes hotel. Projects R & Q #'s appear too spendy for scope of improvement suggests Lakefront improvements too spendy unless? For hotel.
- Excellent things about LO. The friendly folks who shop and socialize. The Arts Council, the many restaurants. We need more parks and other services and community gathering areas for events.
- Would like to discuss site options for hotel use. Consider trying to get parking covered can be interior 1st floor of buildings. DT is a heat island partially due to parking lots.
- Close one or two streets to car traffic.
- Restaurants: good, do more upgrading of existing buildings, more specialty shops and restaurants, fix the streets.
- Good session. We need public meeting spaces. Really would like a new library, Highest priority: existing bldg. street improvements.

- No on following projects: Hotel, Oswego lake front, project block 48, 49, State street pedestrian bike, Block 46, West of State St. East of State (a & B), Evergreen housing. Prioritize: Transit center, 4th St. between A & B.
- Keep Safeway!! Also affordable senior/family housing and dedicated parking for commuters. Sidewalks need repair.
- I like the character, the sculptures on the streets add to this character. Interesting locally owned shops and shopkeepers. It's walkability, more cultural assets and indoor gathering spaces for people+activating downtown.
- Strong yes to D & F projects Yes to C,V,K projects, maybe to E, R projects, No to T,P, L G, M,Q,S, U.
- 1. Lack of crime and low income citizens 2. 1910 type small town layout and character 3. Resort area atmosphere 4. Grocery stores that are walkable.
- It's small, compact and not densely populated. It feels like a resort area like Cannon Beach. All services available, especially grocery store.
- The following list of projects was submitted in order of priority:
 - 1) Development of a "boutique-style", 30-70 unit hotel, ideally located within 400 feet of restaurants, transit, retail, shopping or other amenities (\$1.2m)
 - 2) "First Street Revitalization", which would extend the path from the lower area of Millennium Plaza Park along the east side of Lakewood Bay to the intersection of North Shore and State Street (\$4.8m)
 - 3) Additional park development at the city-owned Oswego Lakefront property at 333 State Street (\$4m)
 - 4) Various improvements to B Ave between State Street and Fifth Street, to be determined by traffic and roadway capacity analyses (\$4.1m)
 - 5) Mixed-use development on parcels east of State Street between A and B Avenues (\$700,000)
 - 6) Various public improvements and beautification efforts in downtown, including storm and sanitary sewer improvements, water system improvements, street lighting installation, landscaping, additional or improved pedestrian walkways and bicycle paths, open space development and improved public restrooms (\$500,000)
 - 7) Pedestrian-friendly enhancements to A Avenue from Fourth to Sixth Streets, including sidewalk extensions at corners and special paving at crosswalks (\$1.1m)
 - 8) Improvements within the right-of-way on State Street between D Avenue and Ladd Street to create a pedestrian and bike-friendly street (\$700,000)
 - 9) Improvements to Third Street between A & B Avenues, which could include landscaping and street trees, lighting, benches, planted medians and other features (\$900,000)
 - 10) Redevelopment of the lot on the southeast corner of Block 46, bordering Third Street and A Avenue. The project would encourage retail uses on the ground floor with office or housing above (\$2.2m)
 - 11) Redevelopment of existing housing sites east of Third Street and south of Evergreen Avenue, with emphasis on high density, multi-family units (\$2.8m)

- 12) Redevelopment of parcels on the west side of State Street between C and E Avenues for limited retail uses on the ground floor and office of housing above (\$5.2m)
- 13) Mixed-use redevelopment of Block 45, the current Safeway site, between A and B Avenues, and Fourth and Fifth Streets (\$6.4m)
- 14) Improvements to Fourth Street between A & B Avenues (\$1.2m)
- 15) Mixed-use development west of State Street on parcels located between B and C avenues, including a parking structure for the compact retail core and the potential transit center (\$6m)
- 16) Development of a transit center along the east side of State Street, including a park-and-ride facility and bus transfer center (\$2m)