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Comprehensive Planning: The Hillsboro Way

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October Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting

Today's Discussion



Bolstering
Community
Involvement

Citizen Involvement



Enhancing Livability
and Recreation

Historic Resources

Library Services

Today's Discussion

Topics

1. Briefly review key findings, challenges, and opportunities of each Background Report.
2. Review proposed Goals and Policies.
3. Discuss and generate ideas surrounding the key policy question identified in the Background Reports.

What we need from you

- Did we miss anything in the Background Reports?
- Are there improvements that could be made to the draft Goals and Policies?
- What are your recommendations regarding the key policy questions proposed in the Background Reports?

Goals & Policies Development Process



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Public Involvement

Background Report | Draft Goals & Policies

Aaron Ray



Key Findings

Requirements & Expectations

Goal 1 requires the City to have a comprehensive citizen involvement program.

We have a significant amount of latitude in how to design the program, but we've received guidance from the state to not rely solely on existing boards/committees.

In the Hillsboro 2035 Community Plan (and in Hillsboro 2020), community members clearly expressed an expectation of broad participation in local decision-making.

Key Findings

Challenges & Opportunities

Our current oversight structure is cumbersome and doesn't meet state guidance.

We aren't planning citizen involvement in a consistent and ongoing manner.

Providing multilingual content has been a challenge.

There are opportunities to engage existing community groups and organizations.

We're not using technology as effectively as we could be.

Youth Advisory Council Meeting



Earlier Review & Feedback

Internal Committee: June 2015

- Suggested that we refine language make policies more concrete and better capture breadth of community diversity.
- Identified some policies that were better reframed as implementation measures.

ACCI: September 2015

- Suggested refinements to terms and definitions.
- Provided guidance on a proposed structure for a citizen oversight board.

TAC: October 2015

- Suggested renaming topic from “Citizen Involvement” to “Public Involvement”
- Recommended edits that made goals/policies more specific to Planning Department functions.



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Proposed Goals

Community Involvement



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GOAL 1 **Implement and maintain a comprehensive public information and involvement program to spread outreach and engagement in land use-related projects, decisions, and initiatives.**

GOAL 2 **Respect and cultivate community diversity and wisdom through inclusive, meaningful, and innovative community participation.**

GOAL 3 **Ensure transparency and accountability into Planning Department processes and decisions.**

Policy Question: Oversight Structure

Structure Proposed by ACCI

- Dedicated committee for citizen involvement (replacing existing PC/CIAC/ACCI structure).
- 7-9 members, including representatives from:
 - Planning Commission
 - Planning & Zoning Hearings Board
 - Youth Advisory Committee
 - Different geographic areas of the City
 - Other appointees as approved by Council.
- Committee to meet on a periodic basis rather than just occasionally to review project plans.
- Meets Goal 1 and statewide CIAC guidance.



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Debbie Raber

Key Findings

Requirements & Expectations

Goal 5 requires local governments to adopt programs that will protect historic resources for future generations.

Required to maintain a Culture Resources Inventory. Identify resources that are worth preserving (currently 81 sites)

Have a Council-appointed Historic Landmarks Advisory Committee.

Hillsboro is a Certified Local Government in partnership with the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office and the National Park Service.

Hillsboro 2035 Community Plan states “Preserve heritage homes and structures where financially feasible.”

John Milne House
144 SE Walnut Street



Andrew Jackson Masters House
20650 SW Kinnaman Road



Key Findings

Challenges & Opportunities

The Cultural Resources Inventory hasn't been updated in 30 years.

Can we reduce “demolition by neglect”?

Downtown revitalization encourages other preservation efforts.

Historic sites under pressure from infill development.

In Hillsboro, historic preservation lacks a constituency.

Enforcing preservation code is a challenging balance of interests.

Earlier Review/Feedback

HLAC Review: Summer 2015

- Create separate Historic Resources goal and policies (no longer included with Natural Resources).
- Continue to celebrate and support preservation efforts in the City.

TAC Review: October 2015

- To encourage preservation, add language that more directly addresses adaptive reuse.



Welcoming the first Oregon Electric Railroad Train
Washington Street at Second Avenue - September 1908

Proposed Goals

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GOAL 1 Preserve, protect, and utilize historic and cultural sites that have architectural integrity, create a sense of place, contribute to neighborhood character, and/or reflect local community history.



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Laura Weigel



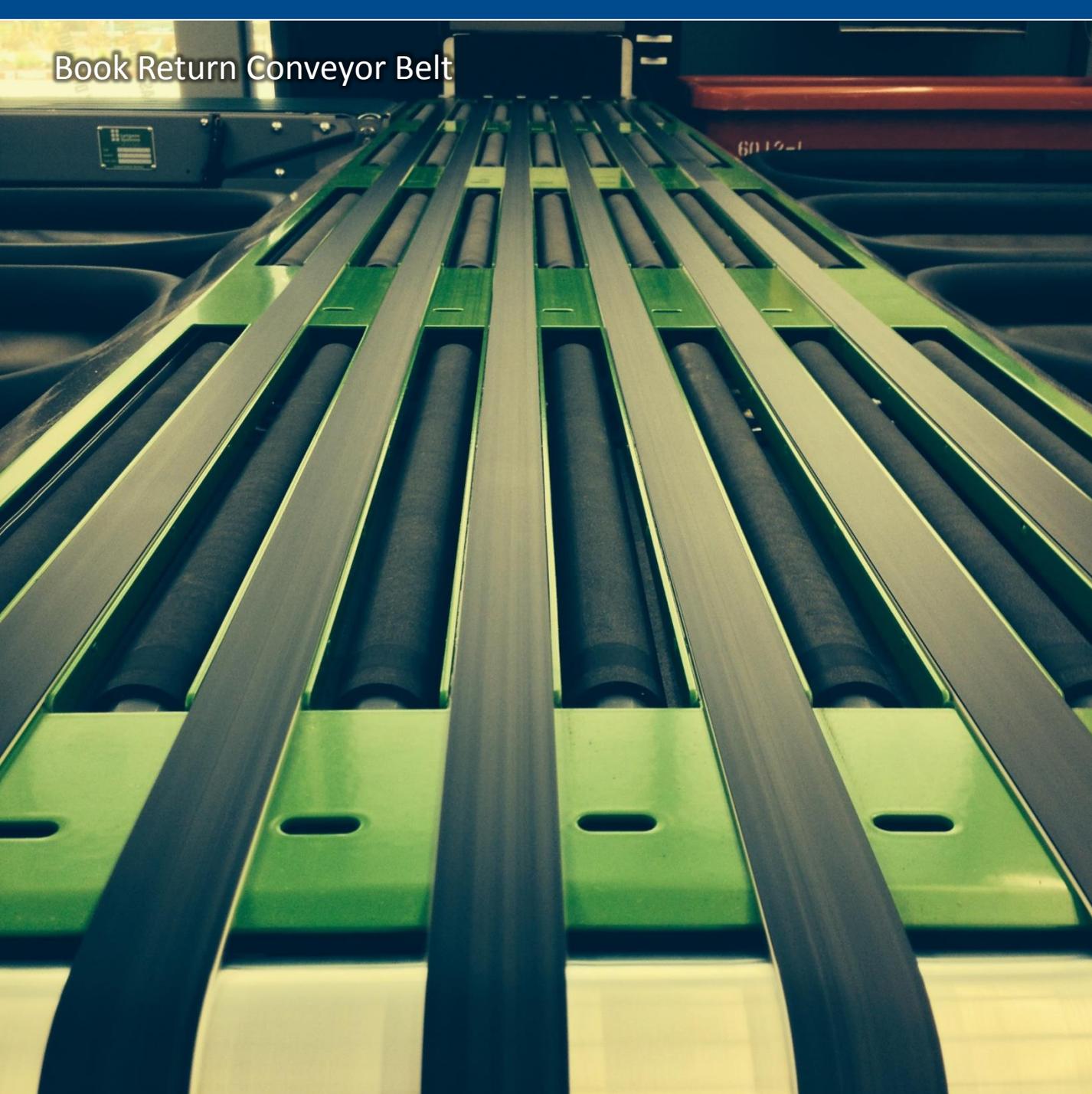
Key Findings

Requirements & Expectations

There are no statewide library requirements.

Current Comp Plan states:
Library needs and activities shall be monitored in the future to determine the need and optimum time for physical improvements.

Book Return Conveyor Belt



Key Findings

Challenges & Opportunities

Main Library surrounded by industrial uses – not easily accessible for people except by car.

Continued demand as a key gathering venue.

Earlier Review/Feedback

Library Board and TAC: October 2015

- Updated statistics in the Background Report.
- Refined policy language regarding accessibility of library resources and facilities.



Policy Questions

Library Services

How can the library continue to support and enhance the city's vibrancy and sense of community?

How can the library enhance accessibility to library resources for all community members?



Proposed Goals

Library Services



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GOAL 1 **Ensure that Hillsboro’s library system is accessible and valuable for all members of the community and that it remains an integral part of the community’s resources.**

Coming up

Next meeting: November 19

4:00-6:00pm, Conference Room 113B/C



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Housing

Housing Needs Assessment
Draft Goals & Policies

Packet to be distributed Friday, November 13.

Future meetings

December 10

Recreational Needs
Urbanization

January 28

Design & Development
Access to Local Food

February 18

Topics TBD

Schedules and topics tentative.