

**OVERLAND PARK URBAN RENEWAL PLAN  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)  
SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting Date:** August 24, 2005

**Location:** 9101 SE Sunnybrook Blvd., Clackamas, OR

**Meeting Attendees (“√” if present) & Distribution:**

- √ Barbara Cartmill, Clackamas County Development Agency
- √ Gary Cook, Clackamas County Development Agency
- √ Jillian Detweiler, TriMet
- √ Betty Dominguez, Oregon Housing & Community Services
- √ Elaine Drakulich, North Clackamas School District #12
- √ John Gessner, Milwaukie Planning Department
- √ Kyle Gorman, Fire District #1
- √ Andrea Hall, Clackamas County Community Environment
- √ Michael Harrison, Parametrix
- √ Michelle Healy, North Clackamas Parks
- √ Charles Kupper, Spencer & Kupper
- √ Eric Rouse, Clackamas County Water Environmental Services
- √ Kevin Poppen, Clackamas County Sheriff's Office
- √ Chuck Robbins, Clackamas County Community Development

**Additional Attendees:**

Jessie Sladik, North Clackamas Parks  
Judy Koliass, Southgate CPO

**Prepared By:** Michael Harrison

**Issue Date:** September 6, 2005

**Meeting Purposes:**

- Bring issues of Vision, Guiding Principles and project boundary to a close.
- Discuss project ideas.
- Introduce financial issues.

**Meeting Summary:**

TAC spent considerable time discussing the purpose and specifics of the draft Vision and Guiding Principles document. Committee members also discussed the possibility of adding an area south of Monroe Street to the project boundary, and spent more time discussing three areas that should be further evaluated in the proposed project boundary. A variety of project ideas were discussed.

## **Discussion Points & Outcomes:**

### Vision & Guiding Principles

- 1) The TAC discussed the importance of infrastructure to the future of Overland Park, and the need to be more specific in the Vision & Guiding Principles about infrastructure. *Outcome: Agreed to discuss this issue with the Urban Renewal Plan Formation Citizen Advisory Committee (URPFCAC).*
- 2) Some members believed that because sewers were not mentioned in the Vision & Guiding Principles, no urban renewal funds could be spent on sewers. *Outcome: Projects do not have to be specifically identified in the Vision & Guiding Principles to receive funding. While there will not be enough urban renewal funds to fully fund sewers in Overland Park, some funds could be spent on a project that facilitates sewer construction.*
- 3) Some members wanted more explicit mention of the importance of fire/life safety in the Vision & Guiding Principles. *Outcome: Agreed to discuss this issue with the URPFCAC.*
- 4) Some members wanted more explicit mention of the importance of creating new jobs in Overland Park in the Vision & Guiding Principles. *Outcome: Agreed to discuss this issue with the URPFCAC.*

### Boundary

- 1) TAC discussed the possibility of extending the proposed urban growth boundary south of Monroe Street so urban renewal could contribute revenue to park considerations in that area. North Clackamas Parks, which proposed the boundary expansion, clarified that new soccer fields were not contingent on a boundary expansion, as other funding will likely be available. The majority of committee members did not support expanding the boundary further south. *Outcome: Given the lack of interest, the issue was dropped.*
- 2) Some members expressed interest in removing three sub-areas from the proposed project boundary because they might not be “blighted” enough, including moving the southern boundary from Monroe Street to King Street and shrinking the eastern and western boundaries. *Outcome: TAC was informed that the current proposed boundaries meet the definition of “blighted” per state law. However, Barbara agreed to provide TAC with information on the financial impacts of removing these areas. As the boundary issue remained unresolved, TAC agreed to meet prior to the regularly scheduled meeting on 9/21 to bring this issue to resolution.*

### Projects

The following items were discussed and added to the project discussion list:

- Additional fire hydrants (adequate hydrants exist to serve existing development, but new hydrants may be needed if additional development occurs in the neighborhood)

- Assist in adding sprinklers to new buildings
- Parks facilities for active recreation – three potential park sites were identified by North Clackamas Parks
- Participate in low cost transit improvements, such as bus shelters
- Community center (a 2006 bond measure might result in an elementary school within Overland Park becoming available for use as a community center)
- Assist in code enforcement/neighborhood clean-up efforts
- Assist in constructing affordable housing/special needs housing
- Assist in constructing a facility for community policing
- Home security/maintenance loans (Gresham’s “Mend-a-Home” program was cited as an example)