

North Park Charrette Day #1
October 2, 2010

Meeting Notes

Land Use

1. Would like to see little pocket areas of commercial shown.
2. Need to identify buffer area around commercial
3. 30th Street needs its own color. Parcels around 30th Street should have lots of difference colors to transition/step down.
4. Some areas are residential now but then commercial/mixed-use in the future – Why?
5. Current plan differentiates between commercial nodes and linear nodes. The commercial nodes are doing well, linear nodes not so well.
6. How are you addressing node areas?
7. Is commercial on 30th Street?
8. Ernie Bonn is working on conservation areas on Park Boulevard. Not sure how that will work – Commercial with preservation.

Guiding Principles

1. Add prioritization of principles
2. Need to address housing continue focus on affordable.
3. Add something about open space and managing resources.
4. Add that we are center for creativity and art.
5. Need designation of scenic overlooks, different from pocket parks and mini-parks.
6. Artsy stuff at 30th Street bad for bus riders. We want art, but make bus stops more functional.
7. Address greening of the community.
8. Public facilities should be functional. Add enhance aesthetic character of infrastructure.
9. Need to develop employment within North Park.
10. Development of alleys into park, hiking, art, etc.
11. When infrastructure is added, don't add "negative" features (i.e. utility boxes when we're undergrounding).
12. Like different art on utility boxes.
13. Like to see increased recreation and park space in any way possible.
14. Alleys – allow stoops on alleys to activate – also, residential over commercial activates
15. Address mixed-use development
16. On employment, emphasize higher paying jobs.
17. Above ground utilities should fit community character.
18. Whether we should have a MAD.
19. More density burdens single-family areas.
20. Any large development should have green roofs. Revisit setbacks/regulations. Bring buildings to alleys – code amendments needed.
21. Draft guiding principles are good!

22. Oversize vehicle ordinance – North Park should be pilot area where oversize vehicles aren't allowed.
23. Enhance identification of North Park.
24. Would like to see residential parking districts to protect against commercial encroachment.
25. Crime? Maybe high crime areas need special treatment.
26. Goal to enhance public safety.
27. Add: Encourage new businesses.