

**Community Priorities/Long-Range Financial Planning
Citizens Advisory Committee
Notes of Meeting**

**July 9, 2008
Spartan Room – Shoreline Center
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

Members Present: Gary Batch, Bill Bear, Gloria Bryce, Kathie Crozier, Walt Hagen, Paul Herrick, Bill Hickey, Carolyn Hope, Dick Pahre, Rebecca Partman, Renee Pitra, Mary Lynn Potter, Rick Stephens, Paul Sutphen, Hiller West

Staff Present: Robert Olander, Julie Underwood, Debbie Tarry

Others Present: Eric Wilson, Diane Stephens

Anticipated Additional Needs

City Manager, Bob Olander, reviewed a list of items that City Staff have identified as future needs.

Options Break-out Groups - *Exploring Additional Priorities, 5-10 years*

Questions for the Break-Out Groups Tonight:

Brainstorm the following:

- *Review City Anticipated Additional Needs*
 - *Groups Note Their Priorities*
- *Brainstorm Group Additional Needs*
 - *These may be different from those identified by City staff*
- *How would your group recommend funding any additional priorities – over and above revenue options to maintain current service levels?*
- *Additional Questions or Additional Information Needed*

Group Results – See Following Pages

Group A – Hiller, Gloria, Carolyn, Bill H., Rebecca

Group A focused on operating budget since that is the issue at hand

Priorities

- Volunteer Coordinator (s)
 - Way to leverage help throughout the City
- Senior Services
- Consider an agreement with the YMCA for services
 - Services can be made available to the community, in exchange for City contribution – at least at certain times
- Sidewalks
 - Consider Local Improvement Districts (LID’s) for funding source
 - City promotes LID formation
- Levy Lid Lift
 - Group believes that this is the mechanism for long-term funding
 - Strategize when
 - Don’t compete or go at same time as school district
- Transportation Benefit District - \$20 per vehicle
 - Good source of revenue for transportation purposes
 - Provides flexibility

Group B – Mary Lynn, Paul H., Dick, Paul S., Renee

Group B focused on giving a funding priority to each area

Item	Priority
Comprehensive Housing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Didn’t have enough information on affordable housing to have a good conversation and therefore difficult to have a strong recommendation 	Low
Capital Needs	Special Levies
Sidewalks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety issue, especially for kids going to school 	Medium
Pavement Maintenance	High
Traffic Signal Coordination	High
Volunteers	Evaluate Cost Effectiveness
School Resource Officer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider using (increasing) not-for-profit groups, other service organizations i.e., Boys & Girls Clubs • It’s our community – should be a community issue 	Medium/Low
Operational Maintenance	Generally maintain current levels, consider volunteers to extent possible, coordinate with the

Item	Priority
	School District
Economic Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-paid committee working with a consultant on a “tight leash” would be an efficient method to create a plan to identify and improve opportunities to attract business to Shoreline to create a more interesting retail environment and increase tax revenue. 	Consider <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultant • Volunteer(s) • Not Permanent Commitment
Zoning & Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing urban density – what is the impact on services and the related new cost? • Does growth in population pay its way? • Cost of rental vs. ownership – what is the impact on the community 	Is there a cost vs. benefit analysis (\$)? Short-term vs long-term

Group C – Gary, Walt, Bill B., Kathie, Rick

The items are not prioritized, rather opinion based

- No Jail – Have work projects for misdemeanor offenders, trail maintenance, right-of-way, parks, etc. May provide lower cost to City.
- Add Police Station to City Hall
 - Change blueprints or 3rd floor to garage
- Co-locate Jail and Police Station (and possibly Maintenance Facility)
 - Consolidate and reduce expense of two or three separate buildings.
 - Fircrest a possibility
- Another Option – Maintenance Facility & Police Station @ Fircrest
 - Wouldn't create new tax exempt property – already classified as exempt
- Pool – Bond issue for public or give back to the School District
 - Community loves pool – School District could operate and have available for swim teams, etc.
- Owner-occupied houses cost the City less than rental houses (look at programs in other states)
- Implement hiring freeze for labor positions – use funds saved to hire volunteer coordinator
 - Use more volunteers for labor positions
- Maintain current levels of road maintenance
 - Consider asphalt options that might give us savings - i.e., Idaho's mix
 - Get information and recommendation from Mark Relph
- Hire part-time traffic signal coordinator
 - Better transportation movement/flow is the goal
 - Can funds come from Transportation Benefit District (\$20 per vehicle)

- Don't need full-time because just tweaking after initial set-up
- Sidewalks
 - Use composite (recycled rubber, crushed glass, recycled asphalt)
 - More cost effective, durability
 - One member of the group strongly supports cement sidewalks and believes that sidewalks are a very high priority in Shoreline
- Bus service for Shoreline
 - Circulator
 - Get Shoreline \$ back from Sound Transit
 - Get Ferry \$ back from King County – use for Senior Shuttle
- Savings in Public Safety (due to reduction in jail time). Use savings to fund following programs:
 - Addiction Prevention
 - Counseling
 - School Resource Officer
 - Senior Center
 - Eviction Prevention
- Use aggressive lobbying techniques to return our tax dollars (paid to other jurisdictions) to our City
- Economic Development – Hire Economic Development Manager w/ measurable deliverables
 - City and Chamber of Commerce partner to develop a directory of existing businesses in Shoreline – a means to promote the use of local businesses.