



Connected Community and Economic Vitality Open House Format Open House Plan April 12, 2012

Objectives

The primary objective is to engage Lake Oswego community members to help implement the 2035 vision statement for Connected Community and lay the groundwork for the Transportation System Plan and Comprehensive Plan policies related to transportation. Seek:

- Feedback on the draft connected community goals.
- Answers to the transportation related policy questions.
- Input on safety, congestion and connectivity concerns.
- Reflection on existing identified projects from area and community plans.
- Corrections to modal maps for bicycle, pedestrian and transit mobility.

The secondary objective is to provide an opportunity to present Economic Vitality information and discussion questions for feedback.

Logistics

The Open House will be held on Thursday, April 12 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Lake Oswego's West End Building (WEB). The Open House will be an interactive format with a series of stations that provide participants with information and solicit their feedback.

There will be eight interactive stations where community members can review information and speak with staff, Transportation System Plan Advisory Committee (TSPAC) members and Comprehensive Plan Citizen Advisory Committee members. Participants will be encouraged to provide comments in person, in a comment form and on-line. Community members will receive an 11x17 folded booklet style comment form when they arrive. In addition, dots and/or sticky notes will be available at each station to put on boards and maps to encourage sharing of thoughts and ideas. There will also be one unstaffed station with resource information. All materials will also be available via the virtual open house, available from April 11-22 on the project website with similar opportunity to comment.

Station Descriptions

The following is a brief description of each of the nine Open House stations and draft allocations of which team members will be responsible for producing the content and material for each station.

1. Purpose and Process. Identify the purpose of this Open House: to engage the community around the Connected Community updates and provide an opportunity for feedback on Economic Vitality updates. Explain the relationship between the Comprehensive Plan and Transportation System Plan updates. Outline the Transportation System Plan update schedule.

Primary Responsibility for Station Content and Materials: City.

Corresponding Policy Question: None

2. Connected Community Vision and Goals. Present draft vision and goals. Community members will confirm the goals and reflect what they would like to see/experience, with regards to transportation over the next 20 years.

Primary Responsibility for Station Content: City and KAI.

Corresponding Policy Question: Participants will be asked to rate or identify the most important draft Connected Community goals.

3. Transportation Funding Forecast and Existing Planned Projects. Present information on historical funding sources and preliminary funding forecast. Also present list of currently planned projects. The station provides community members with contextual information about available funds for current projects and prepares them to answer questions at the next station.

Primary Responsibility for Station Content and Materials: FCS Group and City with support from KAI.

Corresponding Policy Question:

How should the City prioritize funding for transportation improvements?

Number / pick your top 3 priorities:

- Filling gaps in the pedestrian network (sidewalks/pathway)
 - Improving crossings at roadways (e.g. crosswalks, curb extensions, pedestrian signals)
 - Adding bike lanes to fill gaps and/or expand the bike network
 - Enhancing transit stops/stations
 - Improving public transit options
 - Improving locations with identified safety concerns
 - Keeping all facilities in a good state of repair
 - Keeping all facilities operating efficiently
 - Widening roads and/or improving intersections to reduce congestion
- Other_____

4. Transportation Safety, Congestion and Connectivity by Quadrant. Really four sub-stations; this "station" will be organized into the four LO quadrants: NW, NE, SW and SE. Each quadrant will have three large maps. Two 2035 Vision maps will display information for auto, transit, bicycle and pedestrian modes (two modes per map). The third map will display projects in existing plans with the disclaimer that a project in a plan does not mean it has funding or it's a community priority. Community members identify locations of safety, congestion and connectivity concerns and opportunities.

Primary Responsibility for Station Content and Materials: KAI and City.

Corresponding Policy Questions:

1. Connectivity: Looking at the projects identified on the quadrant map, or thinking about other improvements that are needed, what are the two most important changes needed to improve access and connectivity in this area (e.g. to walk, bike, take transit, or drive more easily)?
2. Safety: What types of improvements are needed to increase safety for walking, biking, taking transit or driving? Where should safety improvements be targeted?

5. City-wide Transportation Perspective. Present map of funded and planned projects at a city-wide scale on arterials and collectors. Solicit information about safety, congestion and connectivity concerns and opportunities that are revealed at the city-wide scale.

Primary Responsibility for Station Content and Materials: KAI.

Corresponding Policy Question/s:

1. Connectivity: Looking at the projects identified on the city-wide map or thinking about other improvements that are needed, what are the two most important changes needed to improve access and connectivity within the City?
2. Safety: When traveling within the City, what types of improvements, in which locations are needed to increase safety for walking, biking, taking transit, or driving? Where should safety improvements be targeted?
3. Congestion: Looking at the projects identified on the city-wide map or thinking about other improvements that are needed, what are the two most important changes needed to reduce congestion that seriously harms the quality of our community and/or jeopardizes our business community?

6. Regional Transportation Connections. Present information about regional projects directly influencing/ connecting to Lake Oswego. This will include:

- Metro 2040 Growth Concept Map
- High Capacity Transit Map
- SW Corridor project map
- Map of proposed Tri-Met transit changes
- Update on the LO to Portland Transit Project.

Primary Responsibility for Station Content and Materials: City Staff in coordination with regional agency partners.

Corresponding Policy Question:

What local transportation improvements are needed to ensure good connections to our regional transportation system (e.g. airport, freight and passenger rail, bus/streetcar/light rail, interstate freeways, marine port, regional trails system)?

- Bikeways
- Sidewalks
- Locally provided buses connecting neighborhoods to commercial areas in the City
- Better tri-met service
- Shuttle service provided by major employers
- Direct access to high capacity transit service
- Other _____

7. Economic Vitality: Employment Districts & Redevelopment. Present key information about Economic Vitality and the city's employment districts. Display map of employment districts and vacant employment land, noting the amount of redevelopment potential. Participants will be able to place stickers on the map to respond to the district-based question, and place stickers to select from the menu of options for the City's role in redevelopment.

Primary Responsibility for Station Content and Materials: City.

Corresponding Policy Question:

1. Looking at the map, where should employment growth and redevelopment be focused?
2. What should be the City's role in promoting redevelopment of employment land? Options include revising regulations, creating incentives, and making investments in infrastructure and amenities.
 - Regulation examples: Changing development standards or restrictions, such as requiring less parking.
 - Incentives examples: Expedited permitting, tax credits, density bonuses, reduced development fees.
 - Investments examples: Public financing or development of infrastructure necessary to stimulate economic growth (e.g., structured parking, high speed broadband, land assembly, public plazas)
 - Other: Economic development programs to actively recruit, retain and grow businesses in the community, increasing public transportation options.

8. Economic Vitality: Transportation Connections. Display a map of the employment districts along with transit lines/stops. Community members will be asked to identify on the map and in writing what transportation improvements are needed to support businesses.

Primary Responsibility for Station Content and Materials: City.

Corresponding Policy Question:

The availability of transportation options to connect employees to their place of work is a typical criterion of an attractive work location. What transportation improvements are needed to support current and future businesses in Lake Oswego?

9. Resource Information

Provide the following information for contextual purposes:

- Sustainability decision-making tool
- City-wide topographic map
- GHG inventory information

Primary Responsibility for Station Content and Materials: City

Room Layout

Will be completed by Friday, April 6, 2012.