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A VISION FOR FAIRVIEW IN 2022

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Fairview is a very pleasant place! You can see tree-lined streets, green open spaces, preserved natural wetlands and streams, the clear and not-so-clear lakes and the mighty Columbia River. You realize you are in a modern city, but a world apart from nearby urbanized Portland and Gresham. A remarkable 22% of the city is cloaked in leafy open space. The historic Old Town neighborhood takes you back in time to 1908 when the town was incorporated, when the pace was slower and families lived in classic bungalow style homes, on large lots where they could walk to school, city hall and commercial services.

Traveling across Halsey Street to the Town Center you arrive in an exciting neo-traditional neighborhood recently built to fit into our village lifestyle with small shops nestled beneath town homes, and people walking to their daily destinations. Handsome two-story buildings of brick and cedar line the tree-lined narrow streets in this award-winning neighborhood that includes a trail linking the bustling Town Center to East County's largest wetland park.

To the north the Sandy Boulevard Corridor continues to fill out with more homes and greater numbers of businesses. Yet, even in this higher density residential, commercial and industrial corridor ribbons of green bring visual and aesthetic relief to the residents and those traveling through the area.

A little further north the scenic lakeshores of Fairview and Blue lakes are lined with spacious single-family homes and protected natural areas. Neighborhoods and housing of all types are available. On the

south side of the lakes a resident can find apartments, manufactured homes and townhouses to fit the housing needs of every income level.

The trails, trees, streams and lakes, housing variety, the historic buildings and the strong sense of community are important attributes to those who live in the small city of Fairview.

But all may not be well in this tight knit community of 8,500 residents, planned to eventually reach 10,500. Maintenance of Fairview's beautiful parks and open spaces is a constant struggle. Day and night airplane engines are heard overhead, preparing to land at PDX. Busy freight trains wind through the middle of town whistling at nearby crossings. There is a steady roar of traffic on Interstate I-84, which divides the city into north and south. Increasing traffic in and around Fairview winds through city streets to places beyond city borders. The increasing housing density is invading existing neighborhoods, changing the historic character. There is a need to promote new jobs and industry in order to battle the "bedroom community" syndrome that afflicts local finances. The city is subjected to the whims of a regional economy and can't control



the marketability of prime industrial or commercial land. Existing junkyards create "eyesores" that further exacerbate industry's slow arrival to Fairview. There are dozens of public improvement projects, as well as expanded public and private service needs, that can only be fueled by new commercial and industrial businesses moving into our city.

When industry finally comes to Fairview will there be too many environmental regulations to easily locate here, or not enough to protect important resources? And why is it that Fairview is so unknown in the Portland area? There is much work to be done for Fairview to become the recognized, self-sufficient community of which its residents' dream.

A strong citizenry and their love for Fairview can provide the backbone for a prosperous future. Community leaders can help build a community where all citizens enjoy quality, unique neighborhoods linked to each other as part of an even stronger city-wide whole. Clean air and water, beautiful parks and open spaces, safe and effective transportation options, family-wage jobs, housing options, quality construction, and a strong city identity easily recognized in the vast urban area of Portland are great goals. It won't be easy and it won't happen overnight, but working together it is possible.



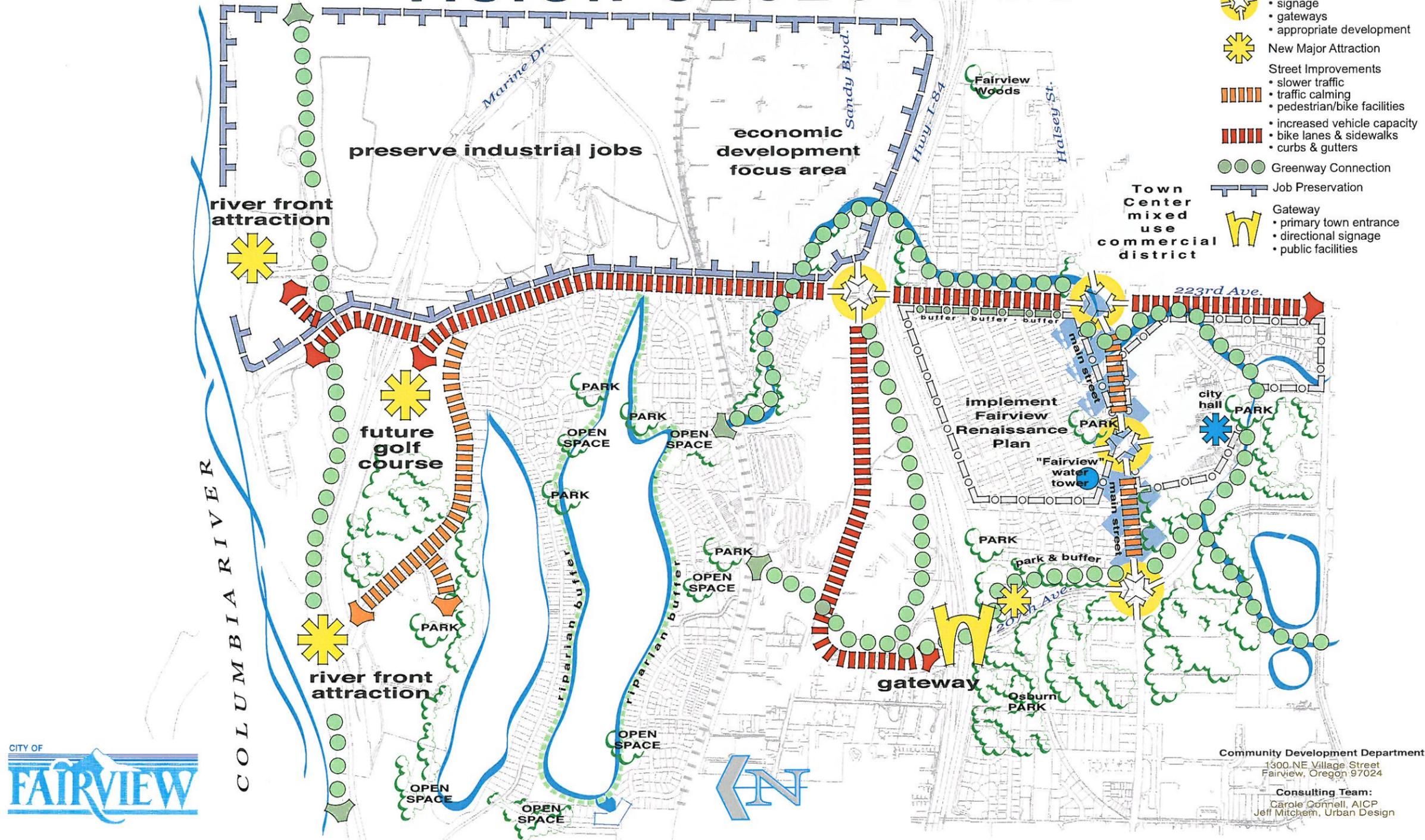
This document provides an image, some guidance and dozens of specific action items to help build a better Fairview. It will take years of persistent leadership to fulfill the dreams set-forth by so many Fairview residents and city officials. Keep this document handy as a work-in-progress, and enjoy the fulfillment of checking-off completed tasks each and every step of the way!

This document and the process utilized in its development are centered on six major themes or goals. The themes were developed in order to organize the numerous issues raised by residents and city officials as they comprise Fairview's strengths and weaknesses. A description is provided for each theme, made up of several objectives and a number of specific action items to implement change or improvements. The objectives and action items are also described in each neighborhood for effective implementation. The themes, identified as goals are:

Community Goals

- **Neighborhood Preservation and Community: Preserve our heritage and link our separate neighborhoods so that there is truly a cohesive and stronger community.**
- **Old Town: Embrace this historic area and nurture appropriate public and private improvements to enhance its existing character.**
- **Economic Development: Attract family-wage jobs, clean industry and businesses to serve our local needs.**
- **Public Services: Provide our neighborhoods with quality streets, police and other services in a fiscally responsible manner. Because of limited finances volunteers are an important local resource.**
- **Public Participation: Attract more resident involvement and foster volunteerism to help reach our common goals.**
- **Parks and Open Space: Maintain and prudently expand our public parks and open spaces. Build active playing fields. Create pathways between and within each neighborhood to schools, parks and services.**

FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY VISION VISION OBJECTIVES



- Legend**
- Important Intersection
 - safe crossings
 - signage
 - gateways
 - appropriate development
 - New Major Attraction
 - Street Improvements
 - slower traffic
 - traffic calming
 - pedestrian/bike facilities
 - increased vehicle capacity
 - bike lanes & sidewalks
 - curbs & gutters
 - Greenway Connection
 - Job Preservation
 - Gateway
 - primary town entrance
 - directional signage
 - public facilities
 - Town Center mixed use commercial district



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OLD TOWN

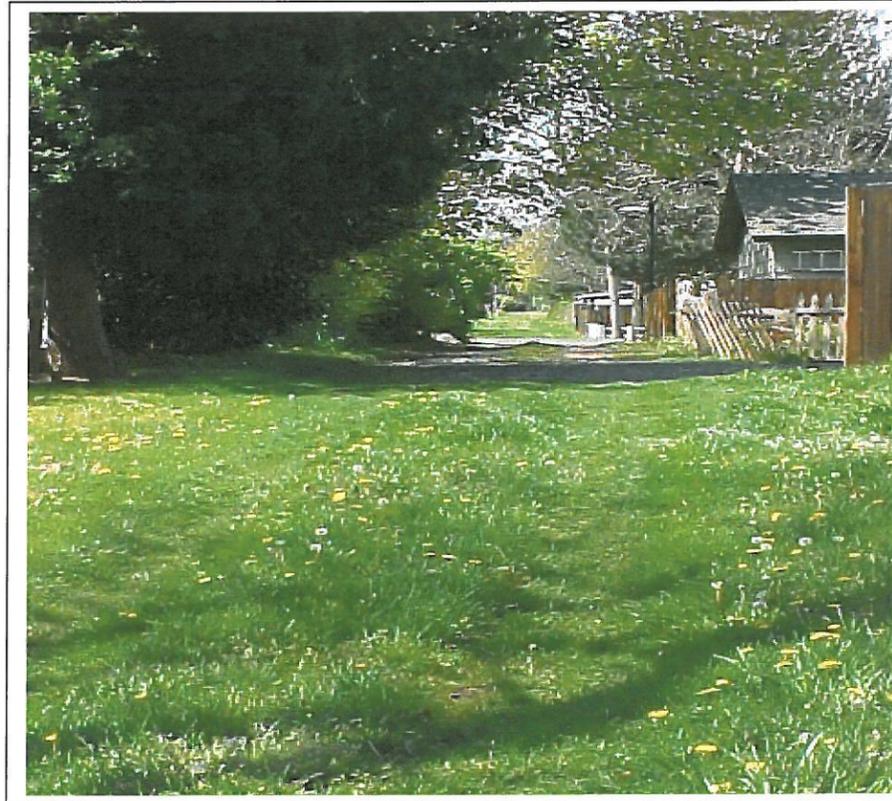
The Historic Center of Fairview

- **Preserve the historic buildings and other cultural resources of Old Town.**
- **Preserve the Fairview Creek riparian area, as well as the wooded areas in Osburn Park and Bridge Street Forest areas.**
- **Retain the predominantly single-family living style.**
- **Improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and links to schools and services.**
- **Calm traffic on local streets.**
- **Upgrade public facilities, streets and parks.**
- **Bury overhead utility lines.**
- **Organize community celebrations and events focused on Old Town.**
- **Build distinctive city gateway features, and landscape city streets.**

Characterized by turn-of-the-century buildings on large lots in a typical grid layout aligned with the railroad, the original plat of Fairview and the historic old town area will continue to be a key residential area within our city. The elementary school, the Community Center and an expanded Cleone Park maintain their function as important community facilities within walking distance of residences. Except for multi-family dwellings and commercial uses on Halsey Street, the area remains predominantly single-family housing and single-family zoning. To be consistent with the vision, existing apartment zoning north of Halsey Street should be rezoned to single-family.

Old Town is lacking consistent sidewalk and streetscape improvements. In the past, plans have been prepared to construct full sidewalk improvements, curbs, drainage, streetlights and street trees. But residents have since chosen to maintain the rural, small town character in this neighborhood by bypassing full street improvements. The focus has shifted to street trees, decorative

street lamps, traffic control, distinctive signage, public parking and the removal of overhead utility lines to beautify the neighborhood. There is a need to re-visit the Renaissance Plan and revise it. Residents continue to insist on city enforcement programs to clean-up neighborhood "eyesores."



The importance of retaining historical buildings in Old Town will require establishing building design standards. Historic structures need to be officially considered and encouraged to renovate in accordance with the appropriate architectural style of the building. New buildings will be required to respect the historical context of the area and blend new materials and style with that of the old.

Fairview Creek flows parallel to 223rd, north from Halsey to I-84 in a wooded, single-family residential area. Protection of the creek and its riparian edge continues to be an important priority. Bridge Street provides the primary access into this neighborhood of large lots and tall trees. There is a need for a safe pedestrian crossing across 223rd at Bridge Street to safely reach schools and services in Old Town.

Halsey Street is a busy east-west arterial street with public transit service. Retail businesses and apartments adjoining Halsey buffer the adjoining single-family dwellings from heavy traffic and noise. NE 207th and 223rd are two additional high-volume, north-south

arterial streets in this neighborhood. Needed improvements to 223rd Ave are currently constrained by the railroad over-crossing, but access to jobs and public parks in the northern sector of the City is critical. How the street is improved is crucial to improved safety and access, but residents will not tolerate road widening in a manner that compromises the pedestrian, rural character of Old Town.

207th is tree-lined and separated by a landscaped median that has a parkway character, which is enhanced visually by the adjoining wetland park. Citizens would like to see this aesthetic streetscape style used on other city streets. But the new street is easy to speed on because of the lack of driveways and development that typically lower speeds on arterial streets. Residents would like the vehicles to slow down.

Residents have discovered an opportunity to connect the neighborhoods east of 207th to Old Town by building a pathway on the old railroad right-of-way from 201st east to Wistful Vista Drive, and then to 207th and nearby Cleone Park. There is an interest in expanding the park to include more active playing fields for soccer and baseball.

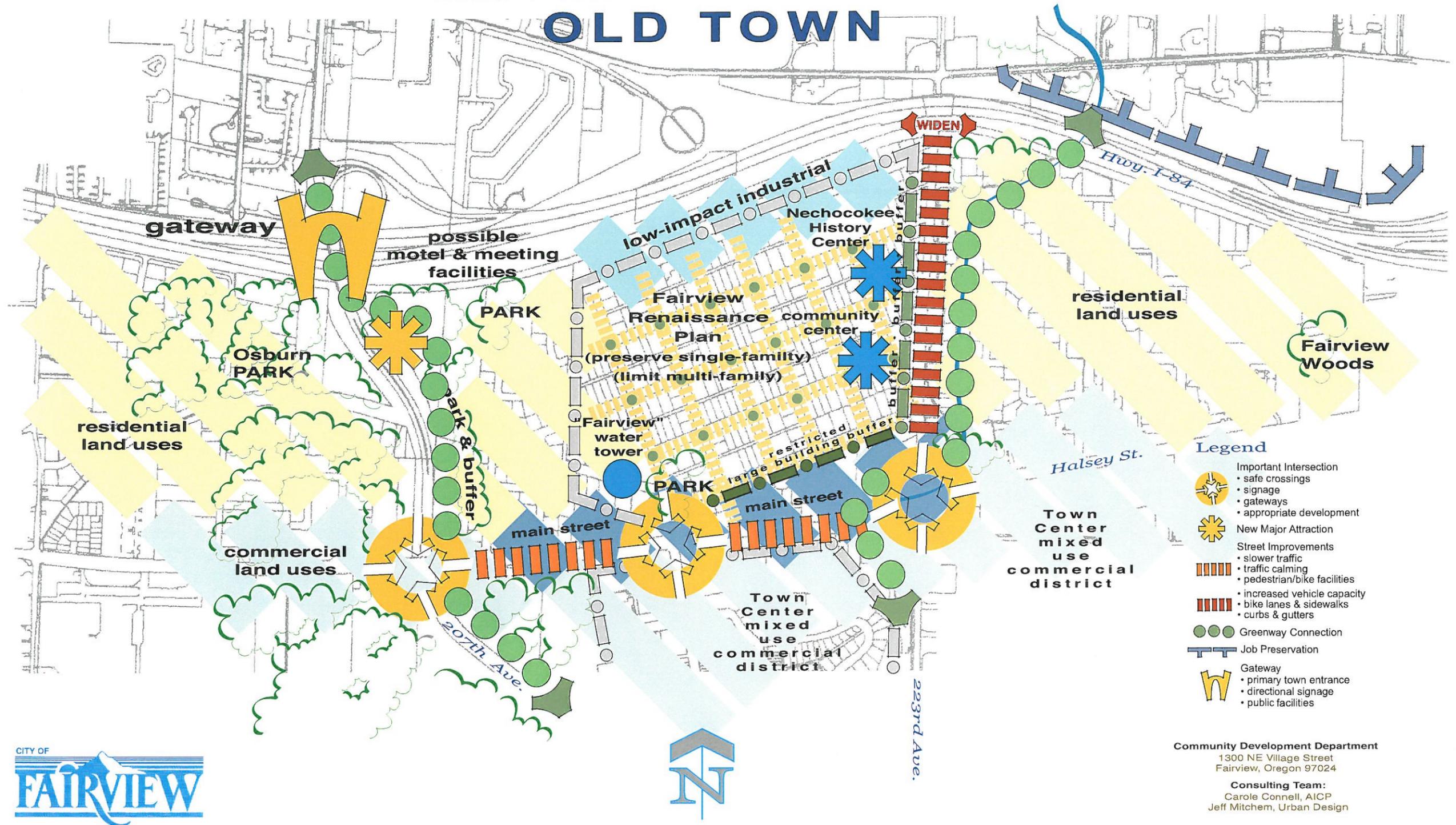
Old Town residents are seeking assistance to improve their neighborhood. They are interested in developing ways to improve security, foster housing maintenance, upgrade the overall housing stock as well as to find methods to increase communication and cooperation with public agencies. They also hope to celebrate their successes by organizing community events and gatherings.



Action Items and Improvement Projects

1. Re-zone multi-family zoned land north of Lincoln Street to a single-family designation, and identify other possible areas.
2. Develop zoning standards to protect historic buildings based on a social-cultural analysis, including a context statement and an historic building inventory.
3. Consider protecting scenic views by the use of view corridor zoning provisions.
4. Bury overhead utility lines and remove poles.
5. Charge a \$5.00 surcharge to residents in order to pay for burying overhead utilities, if appropriate.
6. Add Old Town public improvements to the City's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), such as alley upgrades, decorative street lamps, a street tree plan, drainage, and gateway features.
7. Provide a safe pedestrian and bicycle crossing across 223rd at Bridge Street.
8. Identify areas in Old Town where traffic circles would be an effective method to reduce speed and improve safety. Identify other traffic calming projects and add to them to the Transportation System Plan (TSP) and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).
9. Re-establish a 7,500 s.f. minimum lot size.
10. Review improvements in Old Town described in the Fairview Transportation System Plan (TSP) to assure community-wide needs are met and neighborhood impacts are acceptable.
11. Identify methods to reduce railroad noise by building sound buffers, and prohibiting new at-grade crossings.
12. Consider City purchase or trade of the George property for public use.
13. Expand Cleone Park in order to build active playing fields, add play equipment, and buffer the residential area from commercial and recreational activities to the west.
13. Expand the tree-lined and landscape median street improvements on 207th to other arterial streets where feasible.
14. Build a pedestrian path paralleling 207th and connecting to the City's pedestrian pathway system.
15. Explore avenues to provide home improvement financing for structures in Old Town, such as Habitat for Humanity, or incentive grants and loans.
16. Build a community focus gateway project at Halsey and 223rd Avenues.
17. Increase zoning and other enforcement of visual nuisances.
18. Develop a Neighborhood Watch program or similar neighborhood security organization.
19. Create a cooperative garden to foster community spirit.
20. Assure there are safe and direct pedestrian and bicycle pathways to schools and services.
21. Partner with schools in community improvement projects.
22. Update the Old Town (Renaissance) Plan.
23. Build a distinctive gateway and attractive buildings at I-84 and 207th. Incorporate the "Cascadian" building theme of wood and stone into the suggested motel/meeting facility and assure adequate buffering for nearby residences.
24. Require the use of native plants in public landscaping projects.
25. Assure there is adequate parking required by city code for accessory dwelling units.
26. Install distinctive street signs in the Old Town historic neighborhood.
27. Build a park under the power lines between Wistful Vista and the railroad tracks.
28. Consider closing some roads to cars.
29. Permit bed and breakfast inns.
30. Offer an adult aerobic class at the Community Center.
31. Use a "Main Street" designation for Halsey and remove Old Town from the regional town center.
32. Build a plaza at the old city hall.

FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY VISION OLD TOWN



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THE TOWN CENTER

A Neo-traditional Neighborhood

- **Maintain the planned architectural unity within the Town Center.**
- **Preserve Fairview creek, Salish Ponds and the wetland features.**
- **Encourage a full service commercial area of predominantly small businesses.**
- **Assure there is adequate public parking and advertising opportunities for commercial uses.**
- **Calm traffic on local streets.**
- **Add trail connections and recreation opportunities, and assure safe park and trail facilities.**

The Town Center will be a mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented neighborhood in Fairview with service commercial, office, institutional and a range of residential uses. Buildings will be designed in accordance with a unified architectural design plan originally prepared for Fairview Village and expanded to other property in the district. Building design standards should be coordinated with the City of Wood Village because the regional Town Center designation is located in both jurisdictions, centered on the intersection of Halsey Street and 223rd Avenue. Further, in order to assure a full service commercial sector, the City should review the appropriateness of industrially zoned land on Halsey and Glisan streets.

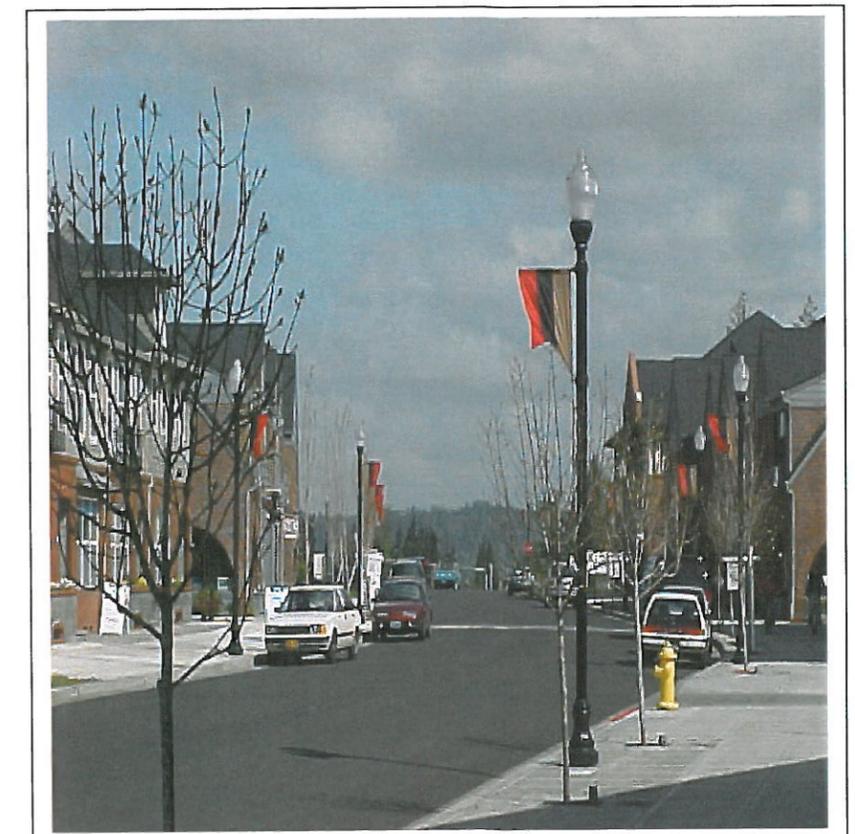
The area will continue to support preservation and recreational use of the largest preserved wetland in east Multnomah County. Trails extend from the residential area to the commercial district and west to Salish Ponds. Residents would like to see more trail connections and more amenities on the trails, as well as improved signage and improved security by



city police to reduce vandalism and other problems. There is an interest in effective riparian protection measures.

The Town Center will be a full service commercial area with plans for a grocery store, small retail services catering to pedestrian residents in the area. Wide landscaped sidewalks and commercial buildings close to the street are intended to diminish reliance on the automobile. Pathway connections to other parts of the city will bring residents to the Town Center for formal and informal gatherings. But business owners are concerned about inadequate parking space even before the area builds out. Further, there is not a coordinated signage program for businesses, many of which have sites that are not visible from arterial streets in the city.

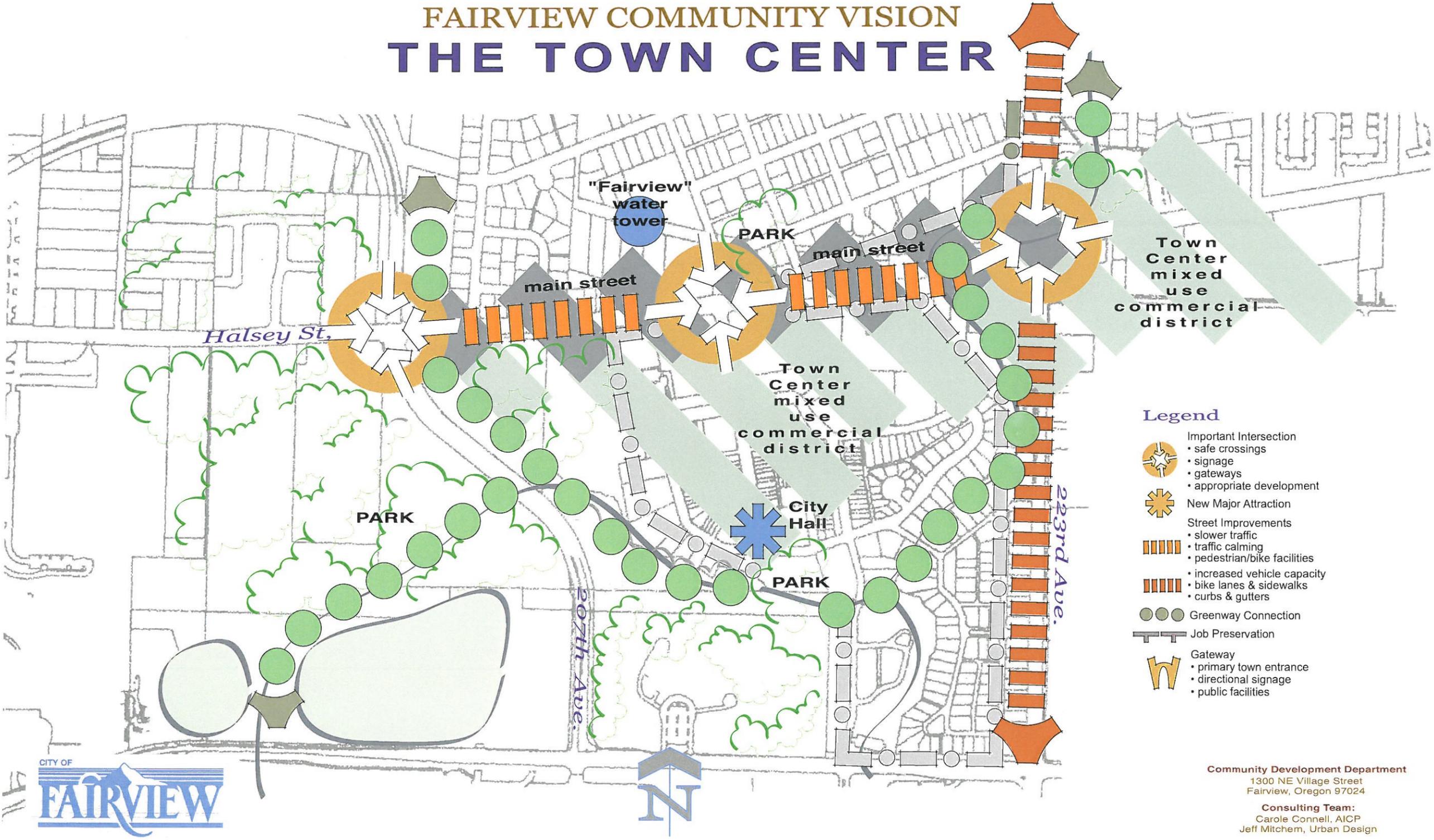
The mixed-use Town Center neighborhood will experience an increase in traffic as the area builds out. Residents are concerned about cut-through traffic and speeding vehicles on residential streets. An analysis of issues and solutions to calm traffic will become increasingly important.



Action Items and Improvement Projects

1. Install speed bumps or speed signage in front of City Hall.
2. Lock gates for the public parks and open spaces at night.
3. Utilize bicycle cops to patrol the parks and open spaces and create a "Park Watch" program.
4. Take measures to control speeding on 207th.
5. Utilize bottomless culverts to protect creeks.
6. Assure enforcement of industrial and commercial water pollution violations.
7. Evaluate current riparian preservation and stream buffer standards and enhance where appropriate.
8. Identify and build additional trail connections to parks, schools and services.
9. Consider a parking permit system in the Town Center.
10. Change the parking requirements to increase the required number of spaces.
11. Consider locating a multi-story parking garage at the northeast corner of Village and Market streets or other appropriate location if determined to be needed and financial resources are available.
12. Increase park maintenance. Add emergency phones and garbage cans in key areas (i.e. Target pathway).
13. Install distance markers on the Salish Ponds trails.
14. Build a skateboard park in the Salish Ponds Park.
15. Install more signs, benches and picnic tables in city parks. Organize a bench donation program.
16. Do not widen Halsey Street beyond three travel lanes.
18. Develop an attractive, directional signage program that advertises Town Center businesses on Halsey and Glisan streets.
19. Preserve the existing wetlands on 207th near Salish Ponds.
20. Require a well-designed residential development adjoining Salish Ponds that includes a substantial buffer separating the two uses.
21. Create a city-liaison position to assist local commercial and industrial businesses.
22. Support development of a local business association.
23. Coordinate with the county, adjoining cities and Metro to identify the preferred regional truck route.
24. Seek financial grants from private donors such as Target and Fred Meyer to assist the city in public improvement projects.
25. Consider closing some roads to cars.
26. Permit bed and breakfast inns.
27. Coordinate with the SOLV/Watershed Council to work with private property owners.
28. Provide signage with "kids rules" in parks.
29. Develop additional traffic calming techniques.
30. Continue annual festival and foster a Saturday Market with community-wide support.

FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY VISION THE TOWN CENTER



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SANDY BOULEVARD

Gateway to the Lake and River

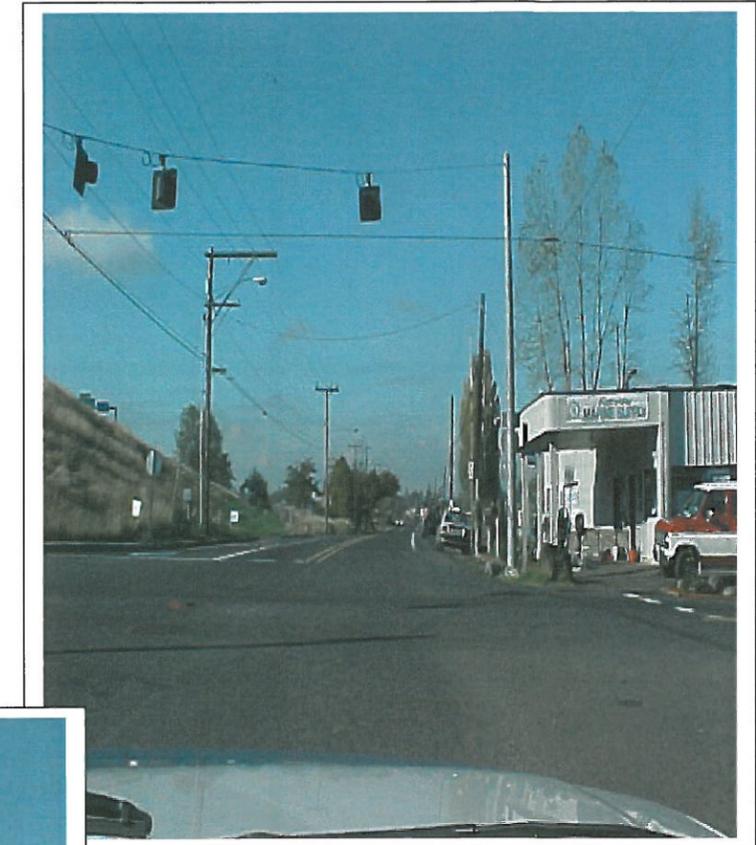
- **Preserve prime industrial and commercial land.**
- **Attract non-polluting industry with family-wage jobs.**
- **Utilize railroad and freeway access.**
- **Advertise the Columbia River and Blue Lake destinations.**
- **Coordinate development of Sandy Boulevard with housing west of 223rd Avenue, commercial nodes at key intersections and industry to the east.**
- **Improve Sandy Boulevard in accordance with the Sandy Boulevard Corridor Plan.**
- **Link bicycle and pedestrian paths from the residential uses to 223rd Avenue.**
- **Improve the appearance of the area.**
- **Preserve Fairview and Osburn Creeks and their riparian buffers.**

The Sandy Boulevard corridor will continue to be an area that carefully balances a mix of uses. For example, a variety of affordable multi-family housing units and manufactured homes are located near 207th with excellent freeway access and in close proximity to Blue Lake and the Columbia River. But a large vacant site zoned Corridor Commercial lies between the residential neighborhoods. The Corridor Commercial Zone could attract light industry, auto-oriented commercial uses, hotels, retail or office uses. The vacant site is also bisected by Osburn Creek as it travels north to empty into Fairview Lake. Development of the site must be carefully planned with residential buffers, pollution controls, preservation of Osburn Creek and its riparian buffer, and adequate drainage provisions.

At 207th and Sandy Blvd. there is a good opportunity to attract a small-scale, neighborhood commercial use to serve residences in the immediate area, as well as tourists traveling to the area's water features. A similar use would be appropriate at Sandy Blvd. and 223rd Avenue. Residents envision an attractive retail destination for Fairview residents as well as tourists to pick-up groceries, snacks, fishing supplies and recreation items. East of 207th the Portland

Recreational Vehicle Park, a temporary housing opportunity for R.V.'s, will be a good site for future residential redevelopment.

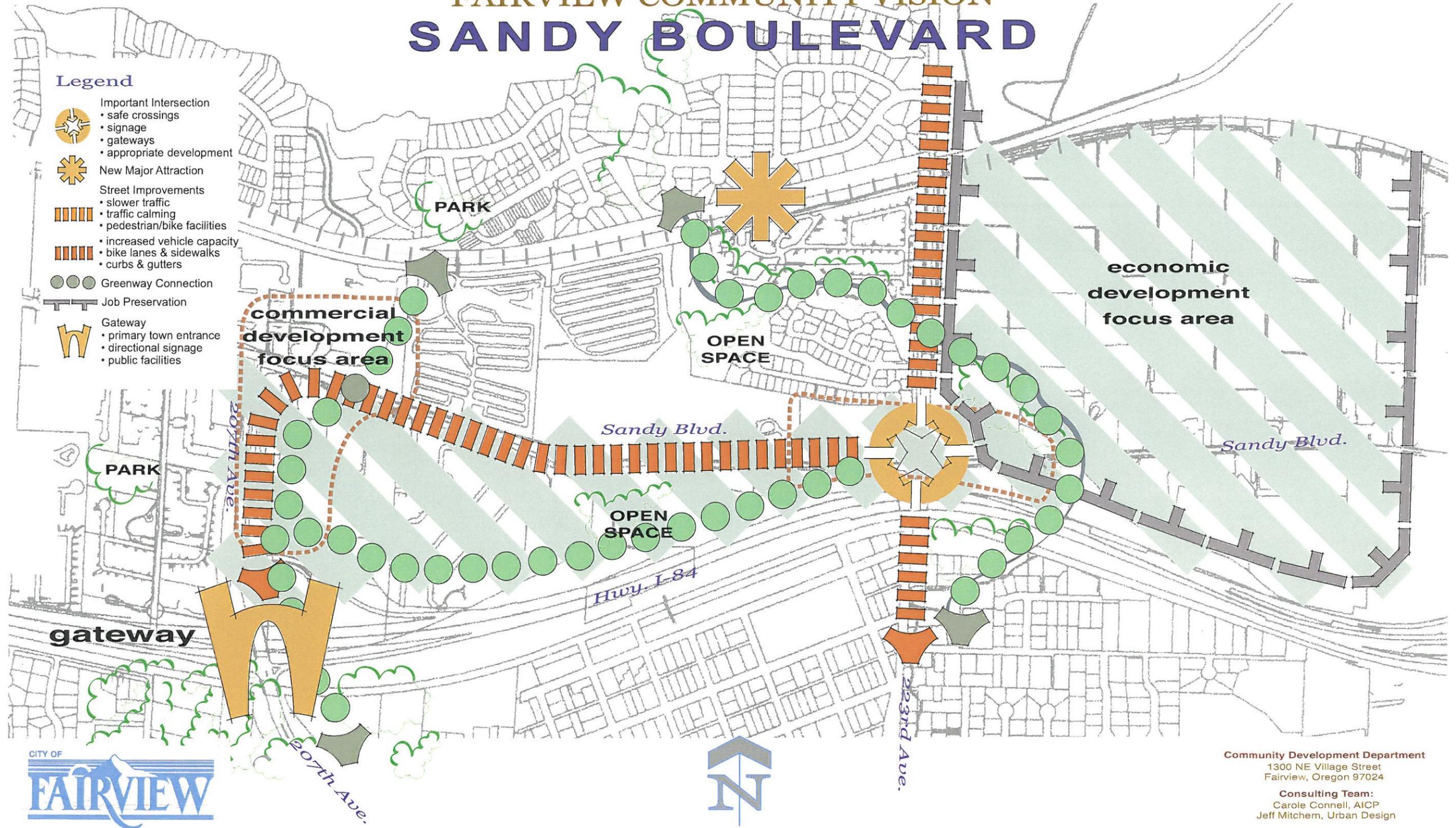
Transportation improvements on Sandy Boulevard will support residential uses west of 223rd Avenue and industrial and commercial uses east of 223rd Avenue. Construction of safe bicycle and pedestrian pathways from 201st Avenue east to 223rd Avenue will benefit residents in the area. While adequate truck access to I-84 will be important to businesses in the corridor. Further, an east-west public street on the Townsend Farms site will improve access for that large industrial area. Where land uses merge, transportation solutions will need to carefully consider the interfacing travel of autos, bicycles, pedestrians and trucks. The Sandy Boulevard corridor will continue to experience noise from railroads on both sides of the district, two airports and the I-84 freeway. Continued resident involvement in the PDX airport noise committee, and awareness of impacts from the Troutdale airport are important to minimizing the potential for an increase in noise. The city should prohibit future at-grade railroad crossings to minimize the noise from train whistles.



Action Items and Improvement Projects

1. Hire an expert to analyze Fairview's economic opportunities and develop a plan to recruit businesses.
2. Review and revise the industrial zones to assure non-polluting, family-wage job employers are permitted outright.
3. Implement the Sandy Boulevard Corridor Transportation Study.
4. Construct a bicycle and pedestrian path from 201st to 223rd Avenue. Utilize the existing ODOT I-84 right-of-way for a pathway link.
5. Consider a landscape median with native plants and street trees on Sandy Boulevard.
6. Develop a street lighting plan, as well as other projects and rules, for Sandy Blvd. that favor pedestrians to the west and industrial and commercial uses to the east.
7. Locate an east-west local access street on the Townsend Farms property when it develops to enhance development and improve area circulation.
8. Control the number of new accesses onto Sandy Boulevard by developing an access management plan.
9. Develop and build a gateway feature at Sandy and 223rd emphasizing the river and lakes.
10. Beautify the railroad overpasses.
11. Develop attractive signage to the Columbia River and Blue Lake parks and place them in the city as well as on I-84.
12. Prohibit new at-grade railroad crossings at the time of new development.
13. Rezone to single-family those multi-family zoned properties where the property is vacant.

FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY VISION SANDY BOULEVARD



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THE LAKES

Waterfront Living, Recreation, and Industry

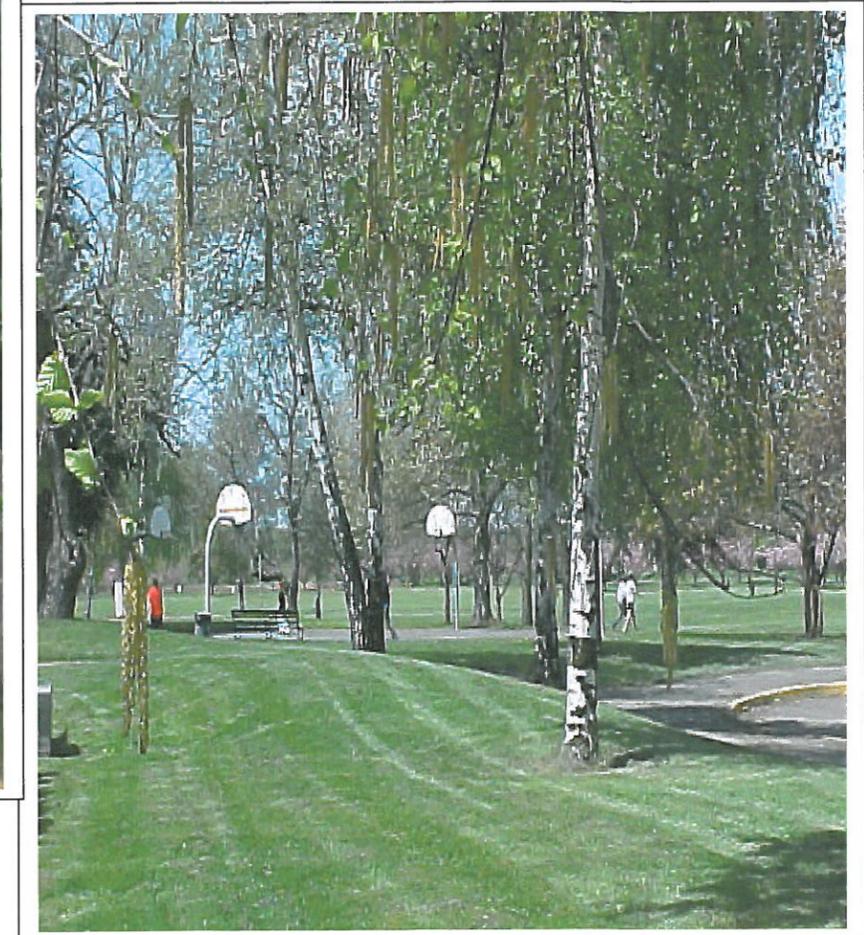
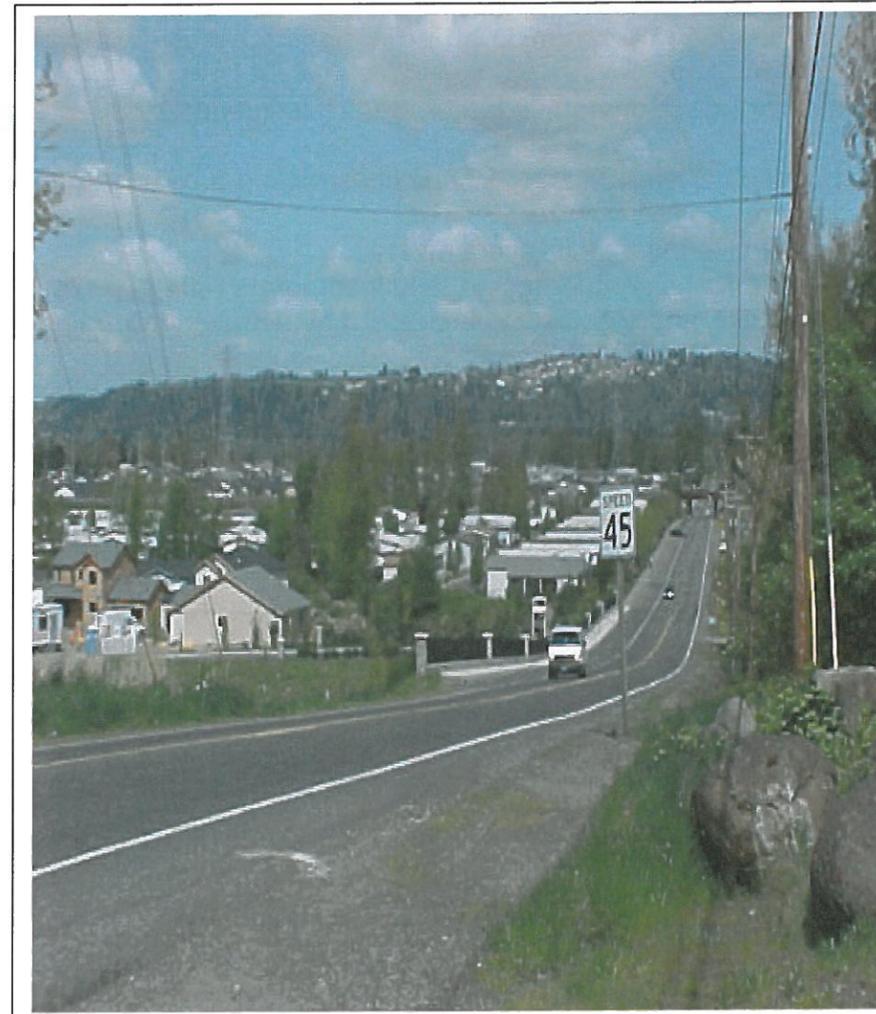
The Lakes area of Fairview offers a mix of excellent recreation sites, scenic views, single-family living, riverfront development and industry. Blue Lake has an established regional park on one side with lakeshore housing on the other. Fairview Lake is encircled by single-family homes, some with lake access while others are within walking distance. The growing influx of people has required creative and dynamic solutions to issues like pollution, lake access, riparian area protection, lake management and noise.

Neighborhood commercial services would be a convenient addition to the Lakes neighborhood. A small-scale convenience store, dry cleaners, video store or other businesses meeting daily needs could be located on 223rd Avenue to serve residents and tourists alike, who may be visiting the nearby lakes and river. Residents would also benefit from improved bicycle and pedestrian access to the adjoining recreation facilities, including recognition of the regional 40-mile loop trail and the Springwater trails. Further, an exciting opportunity may exist to build a Columbia riverfront, mixed-use development with housing and retail uses that takes advantage of the river views and boat access. However, environmental restrictions to protect fish and wildlife habitat would require careful planning. It would be beneficial for the city to consider more complete Columbia riverfront development goals and policies to take advantage of that valuable asset.

There are known archeological sites in the Lakes area that are not clearly protected by a city regulatory process. The Fairview Comprehensive Plan identifies the need for policy development and resource protection. Similarly, scenic view corridors could be identified and protected to guarantee future enjoyment of this natural amenity.

East of the lakes is an industrial area. East of 223rd Avenue and north of Sandy Blvd. there is a significant amount of vacant industrial

land, as well as some existing businesses. This is an important resource for future jobs and revenue needed in the city. But industry has been slow to locate in Fairview, likely due to regional competition and market fluctuations. Forming an organization that could help market land in the city and attract new industry to the area will help to foster needed jobs and provide tax dollars to obtain needed services. But industry must locate in a manner that is compatible with existing and future residential uses, as well as the important natural resources in the area.

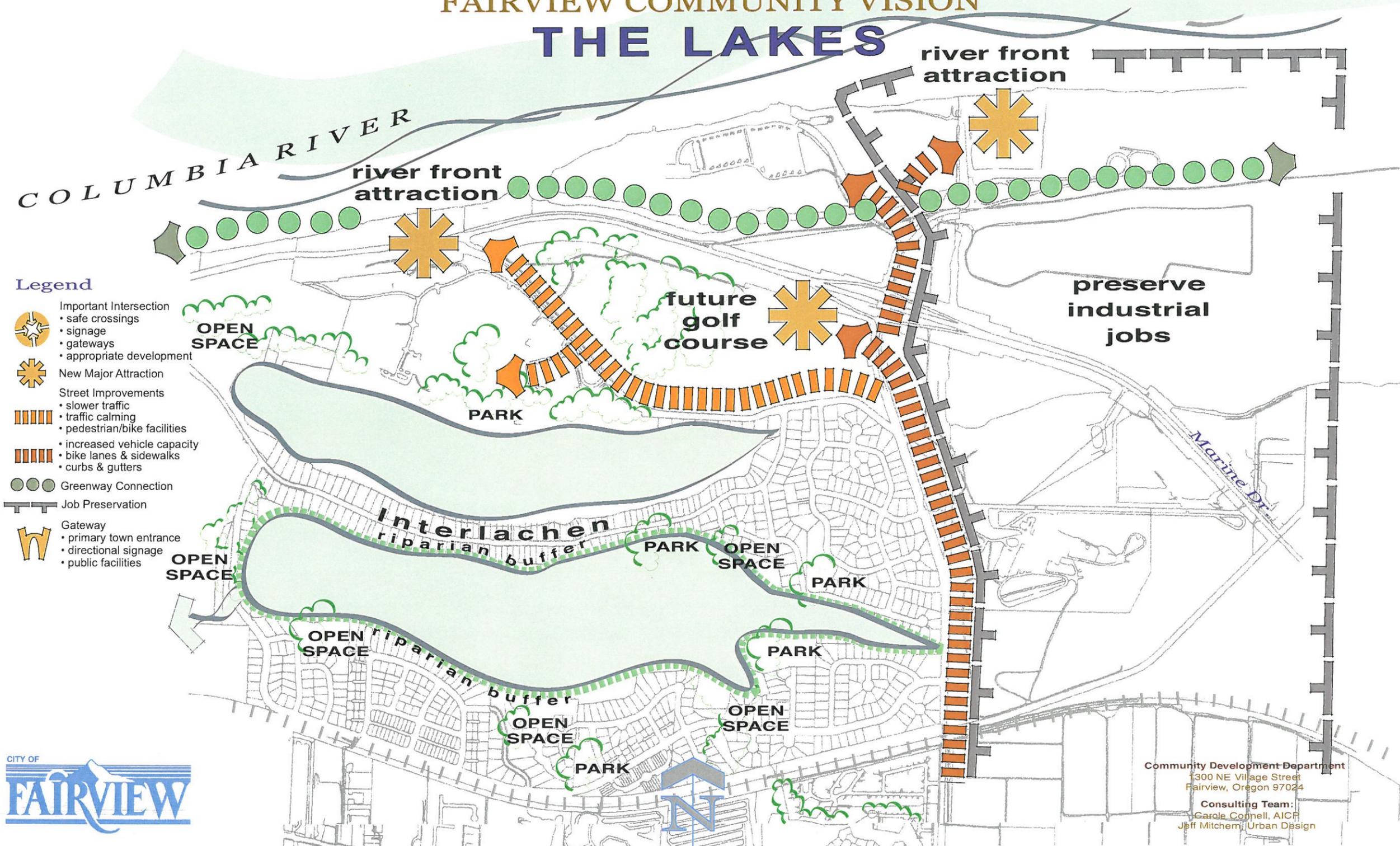


Action Items and Improvement Projects

1. Consider goals, objectives and strategies for appropriate riverfront development on the Columbia River that includes public pedestrian access to the waterfront.
2. Preserve prime industrial and commercial land through proper zoning.
3. Attract non-polluting, family-wage industry to the lakes area by forming a business organization and/or hiring an economic development coordinator to recruit industry.
4. Assure that industrial and commercial development is buffered from residential and recreational uses and that business sites are well landscaped.
5. Implement the Fairview Transportation System Plan (TSP) by constructing a bike lane and sidewalk on NE 223rd from Halsey Blvd. to Marine Drive.
6. Recognize and connect the regional bike paths in East county.
7. Landscape NE 223rd with street trees and a center median, and incorporate native plants.
8. Revise the Fairview Parks Master Plan and the TSP to indicate a bike/pedestrian trail north of Blue Lake along the dike, as well as providing trail connections to Pelfrey Park.
9. Consider zoning code standards to require cultural resource surveys in certain areas prior to development.
10. Identify scenic view corridors and develop zoning code standards for protection.
11. Become an active participant in noise issues to avoid future problems and to mitigate existing concerns, to the extent resources permit.
12. Determine the feasibility for public soccer and baseball fields in the wetland areas near the Columbia River dike as described in the Parks Master Plan.
13. Continue working with Metro to enhance Blue Lake Park and to encourage construction of a golf course in a manner compatible with water quality.
14. Review proposed business developments to assure compatibility with nearby residences.
15. Consider alternative access options into and from the area at the west end of Fairview Lake.

FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY VISION

THE LAKES



Legend

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THE CHILDREN'S VISION

Introduction

The future truly belongs to the children. They will be the residents of Fairview in 2022, the ones who are dealing with the community concerns of that time. It seems only fair and right that they be asked for their opinions now when we are preparing the future for their use.

The young people who participated in the workshop were energetic, creative and filled with high hopes for their city. It is that enthusiasm and willingness to try new ideas, to pro-actively seek solutions to our problems that has made, and will continue to make, Fairview the quality place to live and work that we all want.

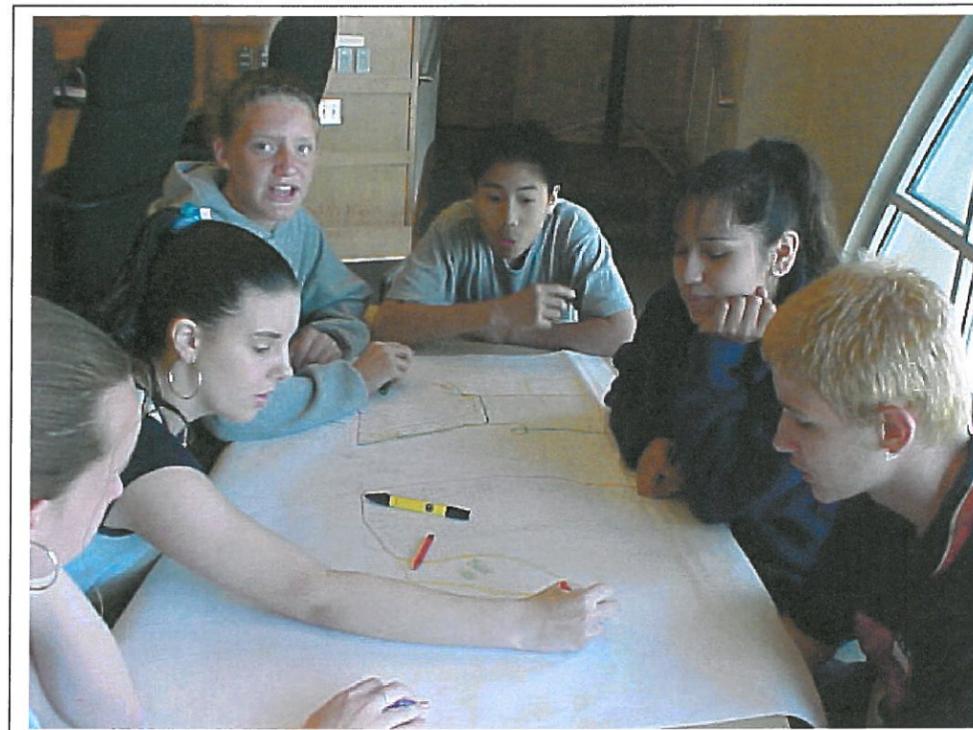
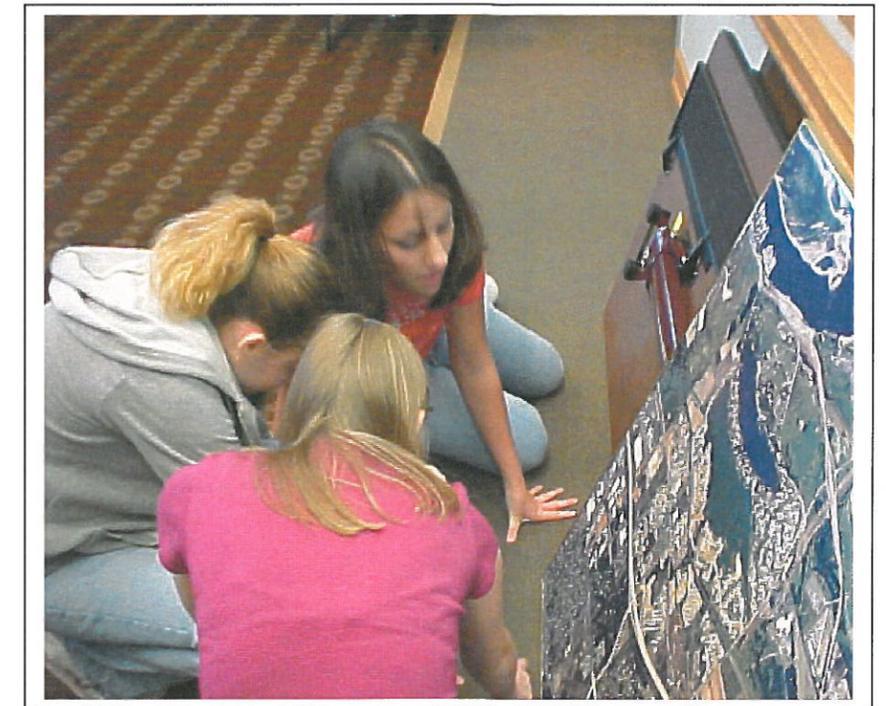
Process

On May 20, 2002 42 sixth graders from Reynolds Middle School gathered at Fairview City Hall to share their vision for the future of the City of Fairview. The children were organized into six small groups and asked the following questions:

1. Where do you live?
2. Where do you travel within the city?
3. How do you get there (car, walk, bike)?
4. What are your top three likes and dislikes about your community?

Their responses to the questions were recorded on maps of the City, which were located on each table. Different colored markers were used to record trip origin, destination and mode of travel. As the children drew on the maps, they were asked to focus on what they liked and disliked about the community. Once this exercise was complete each table elected two individuals to give a brief report to the entire group about their top three likes and dislikes. The following is a composite of their responses:

| Likes | Dislikes |
|--|---|
| Clean city School near by Not too crowded Close stores Pretty good sidewalks Old Town Fairview Creek Little Red Store Nice views Seems safe Lots of stores Library in Village Lots of green Great parks New stores New houses | Too many apartments Not enough activities Not enough sidewalks Safe hang-out for teens Fairview lake is dirty Unsafe streets Noisy railroad Sidewalks in Old Town Too much speeding Need MAX station No pet-friendly parks Too much traffic congestion Too much trash Parks too close together |



FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY VISION CHILDRENS' VISION

Fairview

GROUP #1

LIKES

- Great parks
- New stores
- New houses

DISLIKES

- Too much trash
- Not enough sidewalks
- Parks too close together

GROUP #2

LIKES

- Lots of stores
- Library in Village
- Lots of green

DISLIKES

- Not enough sidewalks
- No pet-friendly parks
- Too much traffic congestion

GROUP #3

LIKES

- Clean
- Nice views
- Seems safe

DISLIKES

- Too much speeding
- More sidewalks
- Need MAX station

GROUP #4

LIKES

- Old Town
- Fairview Creek
- Little Red Store

DISLIKES

- Unsafe streets
- Noisy railroad
- Sidewalks in Old Town

GROUP #5

LIKES

- Not too crowded
- Close stores
- Pretty good sidewalks

DISLIKES

- Not enough sidewalks
- Safe hang-out for teens
- Fairview lake is dirty

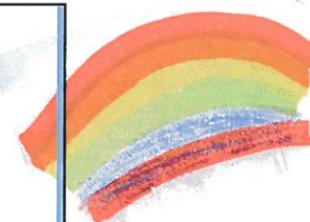
GROUP #6

LIKES

- Clean city
- School near by
- Stores close

DISLIKES

- Too many apartments
- Not enough sidewalks
- Not enough activities



Cleaner places!

woof More parks that allows pets

Best thing about fairview: Library

COLUMBIAN RIVER

Marine Dr.

Sandy Blvd

Highway I-84

Halsey St.

207th Ave



Legend

- Where Kids Live (Blue circle)
- Where Kids Go (Yellow star)
- How Kids Get There
 - Car (Orange hatched line)
 - Walk or Bike (Green dots)



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FINAL DOCUMENT

Public Involvement is How to Implement Our Vision

How to Get Residents Involved in the Future

Residents and city officials developed this community vision to promote a brighter future for Fairview. Included are dozens of action items and improvement projects to help reach vision goals. The vision and action items are based on the foundation of six basic goals to: preserve our neighborhoods, protect Old Town, encourage economic development, provide excellent public services, maintain and expand parks and open spaces, and assure public participation all along the way. The actions items will take a variety of agencies and individuals many years to achieve.

As the community grows, the goal to assure on-going public participation is important to realization of this vision. Common goals will only be achieved with all players involved. This section of the document provides many methods to incorporate the public in future decisions.



Action Items

Involve more Fairview citizens in the following ways:

1. Expand use of the City's website by including:
 - Local business info and meetings
 - City Plan documents
 - City policies and forms
 - Maps
 - Legal notices
 - Surveys
 - Links to local businesses and area newspapers
 - Citywide sports events
2. Expand neighborhood meetings.
3. Provide multi-lingual informational brochures.
4. Educate, outreach and interface with the schools.
5. Install larger signs for the Community Center, the library, local businesses and City Hall.
6. Expand the City newsletter.
7. Plan more activities for children and seniors.
8. Hold more informational meetings at the Community Center (i.e. fire safety, CPR, social security, Medicare, government).
9. Plan street fairs, Saturday Markets and other celebrations.
10. Promote volunteerism.
11. Promote local businesses.
12. Provide city maps to local stores.
13. Use a circular logo shield for city identity.
14. Enlist volunteer grant writers.
15. Promote more interaction between neighborhoods.
16. Plan more park events.
17. Sell local business advertisements in city newsletter to offset costs.
18. Hold neighborhood meetings on land use applications.
19. Prepare a citizen involvement handbook.
20. Create a city Neighborhood Coordinator position.
21. Install more billboards and kiosks.
22. Hold group meetings on specific topics (i.e. riparian buffer).
23. Educate local citizens about their city including historical and current events.
24. Prepare informational handouts for the public on zoning and planning processes.