



**North Portland Greenway Trail (NPGT) Alignment Project - Advisory Committee Meeting**  
Wednesday, May 23, 2012, 6:30-8:30 pm - University of Portland, Chiles Center, Hall of Fame room

Attendees (19)

Project Advisory Committee (PAC): Kristen Acock (BES), Pam Arden, Walt Bartel (David Evans & Assoc.), Thad Collins (UPS), Sarah Figliozzi (PBOT), Mark Freeman, Jim Kuffner (U of P), Phyllis Harris (Daimler), Mary Jaron Kelley (NPNS), David Lee, Gentiana Loeffler (NPNS), Barry Manning (BPS), Francie Royce, Kip Wadden (PPR)

Public: Jim Barnas, Jackie Barnas, Jackie Culer, Steven McClure, Scott Mizee

Welcome/Intro/General Announcements – facilitated by Kip Wadden

Public Outreach and Project Schedule

- Kip updated the PAC on recent outreach at Adidas, the Daimler Open House and Metro's Trails Forum
- Kip gave a recap of the Open House on May 16 after asking PAC members to share their impressions of the event.

Project Overview and Advisory Committee and Audience Q/A

- Kip Wadden reviewed a summary of the key themes from the comment cards with PAC members. Discussion centered on the following concerns: preferred alignment on N Reno St. versus the option involving the 10 acre wooded lot in Segment 2; how and when to include and fund interpretive signage; neighborhood access points to trail; crossing signal proposal at N Columbia Blvd; importance of involving all local agencies when it is time to fund and build trail; timelines for submission of trail alignment plan; grant-writing/funding process and trail building.
- Discussion was opened to include audience members who expressed: the desire to have the alignment of Segment 2 pass through the privately owned 10-acre wooded lot; the importance of providing interpretive signage for Lewis and Clark and other historical locations; suggestion that preferred trail is 14 ft. paved wherever possible, coming down to 12 ft. or 10 ft. where necessary.

Recent project updates

- Metro will be submitting a grant with Portland Parks and Recreation for the Segment 1 trail alignment which extends from Chimney Park through the St Johns Landfill to the north Slough Bridge.
- The recommended trail alignment for Segments 1-4 is being designed at a 10% engineering level, the goal being to develop a buildable trail alignment, including cost estimates. The NPGT project timeline is now mid-way culminating with a City Council hearing in early 2013.

- The private property, once operated by Crown Cork and Seal, is currently for sale, zoned for industrial use. It is described as a rail served manufacturing distribution facility. An aspirational trail location was indicated on the property in the River Plan.
- The University of Portland has included the NPGT alignment in its recent draft Master Plan, dated May 2012. The University supports the objectives of the NPGT plan and the objectives of trail access and recommends the trail alignment in Segment 3. This trail alignment recommendation is also consistent with discussions with EPA.
- Daimler Trucks North America (DTNA) recently informed company employees of plans to discontinue use of one of its Swan Island office buildings in early 2013. The facility is referred to internally as Corp 8, and was formerly known publicly as Ports O' Call. Originally designed as a shopping mall, the building was converted to office space in the early 1980s and is not an appropriate candidate for remodel or upgrade. Company officials are currently evaluating alternative scenarios for replacement office space.

#### Next Steps

- Mary Jaron Kelley will communicate with PAC members leading up to the meetings in September to share information and get feedback.
- Project team will study options for Segment 5 (Albina Yard and Rose Quarter) and provide draft recommendations by September PAC meeting.
- Project team will move forward with design on Segments 1 through 4, sharing draft work at next Open House and PAC meeting in September.
- Project team and PAC will continue outreach efforts throughout the summer.
- Project team will schedule visits to trail segments during the summer.
- Project team will provide monthly web and blog updates.
- Project team will make comment card, currently available on website through May 31, available on the blog.
- Project team will post a summary of comment cards, grouped by trail segment, on the website and blog.

Meeting notes will be made available to PAC members via email and will be posted on PPR website and NPGT blog.

**Next Open House: Wednesday, September 12, University of Portland, Chiles Center**  
**Next PAC meeting: Wednesday, September 19, University of Portland, Chiles Center**