

Small Group Discussion Notes from East Portland – PBOT Discussion

Street connectivity

Invest public money to purchase lots and get new connections

Use different strategies in different neighborhoods

Lighting is needed for safety and security

Neighbors along walkways don't know about their maintenance responsibility

Private walkway liability issues

One size doesn't fit all but basic safety issues are important

Half street typology doesn't build sense of community

Cully pathway example, with common garden - is pro community

Consider ADA/wheelchair accessibility

Proper bike lane width

Fire access on bike path – how will fire response know path location

Developers may not want public access on private streets

Connections always need lighting / security

Does not need to be either/or public versus private

Racial equity: do communities of color feel comfortable (allowed) to use connection along or through a private site

Developers may be discouraged from building

Neighbors often exclude people from public right of way using signs, barriers, etc.