

**Community Engagement Town Hall Listening Session  
August 2, 2010  
Issues Summary**

The following summarizes issues raised by community representatives during the August 2<sup>nd</sup> listening session meeting and from online submissions after the listening session was conducted. All issues were aggregated according to the Portland Plan topic area(s). Participants were asked to indicate what Portland geographic area they represented when they voted on their top 3 priority issues. Their votes and the geographic areas they represented are also included on this summary. As a point of information, meeting participants self-identified according to the following areas: North (N), Northeast (NE), East (E), Inner Southeast (SE), Southwest (SW), West (W), Central City and Citywide.

<b>Portland Plan Topic Area(s)</b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>PDX Area Impact</b>	<b>Votes</b>	<b>Geographic Area</b>
<b>Prosperity &amp; Business Success and Arts, Culture &amp; Innovation</b>	Increase state and city tax incentives to recruit film and video companies to Oregon	Citywide	9	6-citywide 1-N 1-NE 1-SW
<b>Neighborhoods &amp; Housing</b>	Address affordable housing and homelessness	Citywide	8	3-W 3-citywide 2-NE
<b>Human Health, Food &amp; Public Safety and Equity, Civic Engagement &amp; Quality of Life</b>	Limit number of liquor licenses that can be issued within a certain neighborhood for certain establishments (for example: strip clubs) taking into account the ratio between the number of residents and the number of liquor licenses issued	Citywide	7	6-N 1-SW
<b>Sustainability &amp; the Natural Environment; Transportation, Technology &amp; Access and Design, Planning and Public Spaces</b>	Advocate for a state law protecting adjacent property owners from liability issues associated with public walkways and trails	Citywide	6	1-SE 4-SW 1-W
<b>Equity, Civic Engagement &amp; Quality of Life</b>	Assure that addressing equity occurs and is a transparent process that includes performance measurements to ensure accountability	Citywide	6	3-NE 1-E 1-N 1-citywide

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Other –Financial Reform	Advocate for kicker reform	Citywide	6	3-citywide 1-NW 1-NE 1-SW
Equity, Civic Engagement & Quality of Life and Human Health, Food & Public Safety	City must address the issue of industrial air pollution with DEQ by improving air quality	Citywide	5	2-NW 2-N 1-SW
Prosperity & Business Success and Equity, Civic Engagement & Quality of Life	Direct resources to reduce disparities with underrepresented communities and focus resources on addressing chronic unemployment within underrepresented communities	Citywide	5	2-N 1-NE 1-citywide 1-N
Prosperity & Business Success and Equity, Civic Engagement and Quality of Life	Change urban renewal law to allow expanding the use of tax increment financing (TIF) funds on non-capital projects and use to promote community development	Citywide	4	2-NE 2-N
Prosperity & Business Success	Provide incentives for employers to hire immigrants and refugees (tax breaks, for example)	Citywide	4	2-citywide 1-NE 1-N
Education & Skill Development and Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Keep community rooms open at Portland Police Bureau precincts to provide safety education to residents	Citywide	4	2-E 2-SE
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Increase beer tax from 3/4 of a penny to \$0.25 per container at point of sale	Citywide	4	1-SE 2-citywide 1-NW
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Address poor air quality on a neighborhood-by-neighborhood basis and work with DEQ to apply stringent standards to improve air quality in neighborhoods and schools. City should use nuisance law to deal with air pollution from multiple sources	Citywide	4	1-NW 1-SW 1-citywide 1-W
Human Health, Food & Public Safety and Transportation, Technology & Access	Support for City authority to control speed limits within the City	Citywide	4	3-SE, 1-SW
Transportation, Technology & Access	Support investments in alternative transportation options	Citywide	4	3-SW 1-W

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Equity, Civic Engagement & Quality of Life	Provide more opportunities for students to get experiences outside the classroom	Citywide	4	4-E
Equity, Civic Engagement & Quality of Life	Assure that an equity “filter” is used when planning 20-minute neighborhoods	Citywide	4	1-SW 1-SE 1-citywide 1-E
Education & Skill Development and Equity, Civic Engagement & Quality of Life	School boards need to have diverse representation that mirrors the student population	Citywide	3	3-E
Sustainability & the Natural Environment	Sustainability should involved protecting the planet-- air/water pollution; habitats; climate change; health consciousness, education	Citywide	3	2-SW 1-citywide
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Advocate for more funding for outpatient community-based mental health services, increase police training to improve interactions with mentally ill individuals and oppose civil commitments	Citywide	3	1-citywide 1-NE 1-NW
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Advocate for legislation that will stop human trafficking	Citywide	3	1-SE 1-NW 1-SW
Transportation, Technology & Access	Protect legal rights of pedestrians on trails and/or streets	Citywide	3	3-SE 1-SW
Prosperity & Business Success	Advocate for the creation of a state bank to help support small businesses	Citywide	3	1-citywide 1-NE 1-N
Transportation, Technology & Access	Review transportation options for Sandy Blvd. by considering having an electric bus line rather than a streetcar line. Involve Rose City Neighborhood Association in the decision marking process	SE	3	3-NE

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Prosperity & Business Success and Design, Planning & Public Spaces	Public should have right to vote on expansion, extension or creation of urban renewal districts	Citywide	3	1-E 2-NE
Equity, Civic Engagement & Quality of Life	Find ways to help the refugee community be engaged, prosper and contribute to our community	Citywide	3	2-SE 1-E
Education & Skill Development and Sustainability & the Natural Environment	City should support proposed "Cool Schools" initiative—a bipartisan effort to provide funding for school retrofits statewide	Citywide	2	1-SW 1-NE
Education & Skill Development	Support summer youth employment programs for students	Citywide	2	1-E 1-NE
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Support proposed state legislation that will offer paid family leave	Citywide	2	1-SW 1-citywide
Human Health, Food & Public Safety and Equity, Civic Engagement & Quality of Life	Support omnibus legislation being introduced by Rep. Fredericks to improve police training standards	Citywide	2	1-SW 1-SE
Transportation, Technology & Access	Increase funding for the "Safe Routes to Schools" program	Citywide	2	2-SW
Transportation, Technology & Access	City should request the authority to establish a bicycle license and registration fees with 50% of the revenue raised dedicated to the Sellwood Bridge	Citywide & SE	2	1-NE 1-E
Arts, Culture & Innovation	Arts needs to stay on the agenda	Citywide	2	2-citywide
Other-Elections	Support Voter Owned Elections	Citywide	2	2-citywide
Sustainability & the Natural Environment	Increase residential energy retrofits by making the Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Technology Loan Program (EEAST) a statewide program and increase funding for energy efficiency programs	Citywide	1	1-SW
Transportation, Technology & Access	Require online testing when a drivers license is renewed to determine the licensee's competency in sharing the road with bicyclists, pedestrians and public transportation	Citywide	1	1-citywide

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Prosperity & Business Success	Advocate for financial sustainability and equity	Citywide	1	1-N
Transportation, Technology & Access	Support bill no-idling bill for commercial vehicles and advocate that the no-idling bill include non-commercial vehicles	Citywide	1	1-SW
Transportation, Technology & Access	Provide local input into Tri-Met board selection to ensure neighborhood issues are addressed	Citywide	1	1-SW
Transportation, Technology & Access	Assure that all crosswalks are legal—marked and unmarked	Citywide	1	1-SW
Transportation, Technology & Access	Identify pedestrian rights relative to bicyclist rights	Citywide	1	1-W
Transportation, Technology & Access	Revenue generation through the enforcement of traffic and noise regulations	Citywide	1	1-NW
Neighborhood & Housing	Advocate for more affordable and accessible housing for senior citizens funded by a real estate transfer fee	Citywide	1	1-W
Other –sustainability	Need biodiversity	Citywide	1	1-Central City
Other-sustainability	Advocate against Hawaii sending their waste to Oregon	Citywide	1	1-citywide
Sustainability & the Natural Environment	Honor the 1855 Treaty with Native Americans to protect Columbia River salmon runs	Citywide	No votes	
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Improve health care through Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) waivers	Citywide	No votes	
Transportation, Technology & Access	Build trolley between OMSI and Oaks Park	Citywide	No votes	
Equity, Civic Engagement & Quality of Life	Assure education equity in all six Portland school districts per the City's school policy	Citywide	No votes	
Neighborhood & Housing	Support efforts to do more residential energy retrofits on older homes (example: fix knob and tube wiring)	Citywide	No votes	
Neighborhood & Housing	Advocate for state to allow seismic code upgrades on residential properties to be done by volunteers	Citywide	No votes	
Prosperity & Business Success	Sustainability should involve protecting the planet and be linked to economic development	Citywide	No votes	

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Arts, Culture & Innovation	Advocate for multi-cultural centers to be more accessible to arts and performance organizations	Citywide	No votes	
Other-Equity	Address social equity	Citywide	No votes	
Other-financial reform	Increase the state's rainy day fund	Citywide	No votes	
Other-financial reform	Change the way we deal with lottery revenue	Citywide	No votes	
<b>ONLINE SUBMISSIONS</b>				
Sustainability & the Natural Environment	Advocate for legislation that will stop exploratory drilling for natural gas in order to protect underground water sources	Citywide		
Sustainability & the Natural Environment	Advocate stopping the Nestle company from siphoning Oregon's mountain spring water for bottled water production	Citywide		
Sustainability & the Natural Environment	Oppose Port of Portland's proposed development for two terminals on a West Hayden Island wetland site	N		
Sustainability & the Natural Environment	Outlaw rainwater collection in other states (Examples: Utah, Colorado and Washington have rainwater collection bans that limit the free use of rainwater	Citywide		
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Simplify OLCC rulemaking, 183.705(l)	Citywide		
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Ban the media from broadcasting 911 calls on all statewide call centers; use Multnomah County guidelines where caller must release their approval to the broadcast media	Citywide		
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Secure national security 911 funds to train Neighborhood Response Teams and provide teams with tools necessary to aid their neighbors in the event of any emergency; e.g., snow and ice storms, river(s) floods, etc.	Citywide		
Human Health, Food & Public Safety	Oppose efforts to allow OLCC to implement two-year licensing of establishments. Two-year licensing would stifle the opportunity to comment on problems arising from	Citywide		

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	licensed premises informal and formal problem solving opportunities			
<b>Human Health, Food &amp; Public Safety</b>	Advocate for OLCC to stipulate that all licenses must be consistent with local laws	Citywide		
<b>Human Health, Food &amp; Public Safety</b>	Support SB 966, creating Oregon Family Leave Insurance, which gives employees 6 weeks of paid leave for a new child or ill family member	Citywide		
<b>Human Health, Food &amp; Public Safety</b>	Support the city or local jurisdiction to have control of vehicle speed limits	Citywide		
<b>Human Health, Food &amp; Public Safety</b>	Improve traffic safety with traffic calming measures and continue to educate the public on the merits of these changes	Citywide		
<b>Transportation, Technology &amp; Access</b>	It is important for the South Portland neighborhood (and the rest of Portland) that the issue of liability be resolved regarding trails on public rights of way. Portland must seek to change the state law in order to clarify these liability issues	Citywide		
<b>Neighborhood &amp; Housing</b>	Disallow approving microwave antennas to be installed on rooftop apartments	Citywide		
<b>Human Health, Food &amp; Public Safety</b>	Ban use of pesticides and herbicides; public safety must be the first requirement for all governments	Citywide		
<b>Education &amp; Skills Development</b>	Include physical education, music and the arts in public schools	Citywide		
<b>Education &amp; Skills Development</b>	Advocate with state for secure education funding	Citywide		
<b>Neighborhood and Housing</b>	Make affordable housing a top priority	Citywide		