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MEMO

TO: Interested parties
FR: Brian Hoop, Office of Neighborhood Involvement
RE: ONI Guidelines committee, GREAT, update and last three minutes

Here is an update on the City of Portland Office of Neighborhood Involvement guidelines review effort, Guidelines Review, Empowerment and Assessment Team – GREAT and minutes from the Sept. 24, Oct. 8, and Oct. 22 meetings. All minutes and agendas posted at: <http://www.myportlandneighborhood.org/committees.html>

SUMMARY OF ISSUES DISCUSSED THIS FALL:

- Discussion on minimum size of new neighborhood associations.
- Discussion on membership requirements for neighborhood associations.
- Discussion on defining boundaries for neighborhood associations.
- Discussion on whether we can create open meetings and public records rules specific for neighborhood associations, delinking from State open meetings and public records law.
- Discussing process for community input on Communities Beyond Neighborhood Boundaries.
- Evening meeting held Nov. 19 with public input on issues to consider.

PURPOSE OF COMMITTEE:

The City of Portland Office of Neighborhood Involvement Guidelines, last adopted by City Council in January 1998, are to be reviewed and updated every four years. The Guidelines set forth the roles and responsibilities for recognized and acknowledged organizations in Portland's neighborhood association system. A Taskforce of neighborhood leaders - the Guidelines, Review, Empowerment, and Assessment Taskforce (GREAT) - have begun a yearlong process of reviewing the Guidelines as required by City Code. In addition, the Taskforce has chosen to analyze and update Chapter 3.96 of City Code that defines the functions of the Office of Neighborhood Involvement. Chapter 3.96 has not been updated since 1987.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Tuesday, November 26, 2002
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM, City Hall, Lovejoy Room, 1221 SW 4th Avenue

**Information & Referral
Center**
503-823-4000

**Crime Prevention
Center**
503-823-4519

**Neighborhood Mediation
Center**
503-823-3152

**Metropolitan Human
Rights Center**
503-823-5136

**Civic Involvement
Center**
503-823-4519

Tuesday, December 10, 2002

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM, City Hall, Lovejoy Room, 1221 SW 4th Avenue

Tuesday, December 24, 2002

Cancelled

Tuesday, January 14, 2002

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM, City Hall, Lovejoy Room, 1221 SW 4th Avenue

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