# EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Work Session: Envision Eugene Update

Meeting Date: October 13, 2010

Department: Planning and Development

Agenda Item Number: A
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## **ISSUE STATEMENT**

The goal of this work session is to provide the council with an update on the Envision Eugene project, including the process to-date, upcoming events and products, and expected outcomes.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The goal of Envision Eugene is to create a community vision for how and where to accommodate Eugene's expected population growth over the next 20 years. State law requires all cities to plan for projected population growth and to ensure that their urban growth boundary (UGB) meets the projected need.

On June 14, 2010, staff provided the council with an update on Envision Eugene and indicated our intent to work with a group of community members, referred to as the Community Resource Group (CRG), throughout the summer. The CRG is comprised of community leaders, including business owners, advocacy groups, school representatives, neighborhood leaders, elected and appointed officials, and City staff. The CRG will convene for the seventh time on October 12, one day prior to this work session. Our work with this group has accomplished many things, including:

- Improved communication amongst community members, elected officials, and staff;
- Clarification of commonly used terms and phrases that help define our vision for the future; and
- Guidance to staff regarding specific growth-planning recommendations.

The October 12 CRG meeting will include consideration of a proposal for mixed-use development in Eugene based on input and discussion at the September 14 CRG meeting. Also on the agenda is a discussion about economic development including specific plan concepts necessary to increase industrial- and commercial-based jobs. Outcomes from the CRG discussion on both of these items will be shared with the council at the work session on October 13.

In addition to the work of the CRG, various public engagement tools have been used to communicate with the broader community. From student art contests and Facebook, to traditional public workshops, there have been many opportunities for the community to provide input into this process. Additional opportunities are planned, including a Map Room/Open House on October 28 at the Eugene Public Library, from 4 - 7 p.m.

In the next couple of months, staff will be assembling the various pieces of this work into a draft plan concept for accommodating growth. This draft plan concept will be brought to the general public, the Community Resource Group, boards and commissions, and the City Council for review and comment. The City Manager will then present a proposed plan to the council in February 2011. Following council action on the proposed plan, staff will move forward to prepare the technical and legal findings necessary for the formal approval and adoption process at the state and local level.

#### RELATED CITY POLICIES

- Growth Management Policies are related to Envision Eugene, most notably policies 1, 2, and 5.
  - Policy 1 Support the existing Eugene Urban Growth Boundary by taking actions to increase density and use existing vacant land and under-used land within the boundary more efficiently.
  - o Policy 2 Encourage in-fill, mixed-use, redevelopment, and higher density development.
  - Policy 5 Work cooperatively with Metro area partners (Springfield and Lane County) and other nearby cities to avoid urban sprawl and preserve the rural character in areas outside the urban growth boundaries.

## **COUNCIL OPTIONS**

For discussion only, no formal action is required

# CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

No action is required on this item. Therefore, no recommendations are offered by the City Manager.

## SUGGESTED MOTION

No action is required on this item. Therefore, no motions are suggested.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

A. Community Resource Group Participant List

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

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# Envision Eugene Community Resource Group Participants through 9-29-10

1	Anslow, Gordon	41	Miner, Jason
2	Aspegren, Bill	42	Mitchell, Barbara
3	Banks, Larry	43	Mitchell, Meg
4	Belcher, Jon	44	Moore, Patricia
5	Bennett, Rob	45	Nelson, Mia
6	Boles, Shawn	46	O'Donnell, Heather (staff)
7	Brown, John	47	Ortiz, Andrea
8	Clark, Mike	48	O'Sullivan, Babe (staff)
9	Conte, Paul	49	Palmer, Sara
10	Duncan, Rick	50	Pangborn, Mark
11	Evans, Greg	51	Parisi, Jeannine
12	Eyster, Mike	52	Pierce, Gretchen
13	Farr, Pat	53	Piercy, Kitty
14	Finigan, Jerry	54	Poticha, Otto
15	Fodor, Eben	55	Potter, Laura
16	Gardner, Lisa (staff)	56	Prichard, Sue
17	Gaydos, Gerry	57	Reilly, Carleen
18	Gray, Roger	58	Rexius, Rusty
19	Grilley, Virginia	59	Rikhoff, Greg
20	Grossman, Julie	60	Roberts, Jack
21	Handy, Rob	61	Ruiz, Jon (staff)
22	Harding, Terri (staff)	62	Russell, George
23	Hauser, Dave	63	Schwetz, Tom
24	Hledik, Randy	64	Skov, Josh
25	Howell, Kelley	65	Slattery, Bill
26	Inerfeld, Rob (staff)	66	Smith, Debra
27	Jacobs, Carolyn	67	Stewart, Faye
28	Jerome, Emily (staff)	68	Sullivan, Mike (staff)
29	Johnson, Drew	69	Torrey, Jim
30	Johnston, Pat	70	Ulum, Jenny
31	Kahle, Don	71	Vaughn, Ann
32	Korth, Steve	72	Weiss, Carolyn (staff)
33	Lee, Steve	73	Wells, Raquel (staff)
34	Locke, Nancy Ellen	74	Welsh, Jim
35	Mason-Gere, Jared	75	Wildish, Gary
36	Matthews, Kevin	76	Zako, Rob
37	McGillivray, Pat	77	Zelenka, Alan
38	McMahon, Ed		
39	Medary, Sarah (staff)		Invited to October meeting:
40	Mehlum, Ann Marie	78	Fisher, Andrew
		79	Moore, Ed
		80	Perle, Kate
		81	Siemsen, Jolene