

# OUTER SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY PLAN

## Adopted **LENTS** NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN



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# Lents Neighborhood Plan

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A recent view of Lents looking east on Foster Road  
Courtesy of the Regional Rail Summit Charrette, 1992



A 2020 vision of Lents looking east on Foster Road  
Courtesy of the Regional Rail Summit Charrette, 1992



# **The Lents Neighborhood**

## **Vision for Lents Neighborhood**

Early in Lents history, it was a self-sufficient community. Lents had its own banks, barbers, grocery and sundry stores, and taverns. As one of the oldest neighborhoods in Portland, Lents has its own commercial district and a large stock of stable but modest housing. The Lents Neighborhood contains the only industrial sanctuary in outer southeast Portland. Lents is also one of the most accessible neighborhoods in Portland. Over the next 20 years, the task of the City and the residents of Lents is to seize these opportunities and take advantage of unique features to make Lents a vibrant hub in the Portland metropolitan area.

By the year 2015 Lents will combine the character of an "urban village" with the economic vitality of an area-wide employment center. As an urban village, Lents will provide a full range of neighborhood commercial, medical and social services. Traditional and alternative forms of housing, including rowhouses, mother-in-law flats, carriage housing, condominiums, senior housing, and apartments, will provide a strong population base in the heart of outer southeast.

Lents will also see an expansion of its network of parks under this scenario. The major element of this expansion will be the connection of the parks with a greenway trail system. The trail system will allow the residents of Lents to be able to travel, by foot or bicycle, to areas all around the neighborhood without coming into significant conflict with the automobile. A particularly pleasant aspect of this idea is that it will turn some streets into public places with residents' front yards extending into a green environment. This will enhance the sense of openness and tie to strong natural areas found in the Lents Neighborhood.

In 20 years Lents will be a major employment center in the region. As a major employment center Lents will ideally draw from the neighborhood as well as the metropolitan area for their work force. In addition, new industries will invest a portion of their profits back into the neighborhood.

Accessibility from outside the neighborhood to regional activities within the neighborhood is a key to fulfilling Lents potential for economic vitality. Urban form will change significantly in this vision. Former low density sprawl patterns will be replaced by transit-supportive densities, focused primarily around transportation facilities, and employment centers. All forms of residential development will have access to parks and open space.

A pedestrian-friendly environment will be developed in Lents. Increased pedestrian accommodation will include more pedestrian crossings, increased connectivity between east, west, north and south, and improved signal timings at cross walks to help reduce automobile and pedestrian conflict.

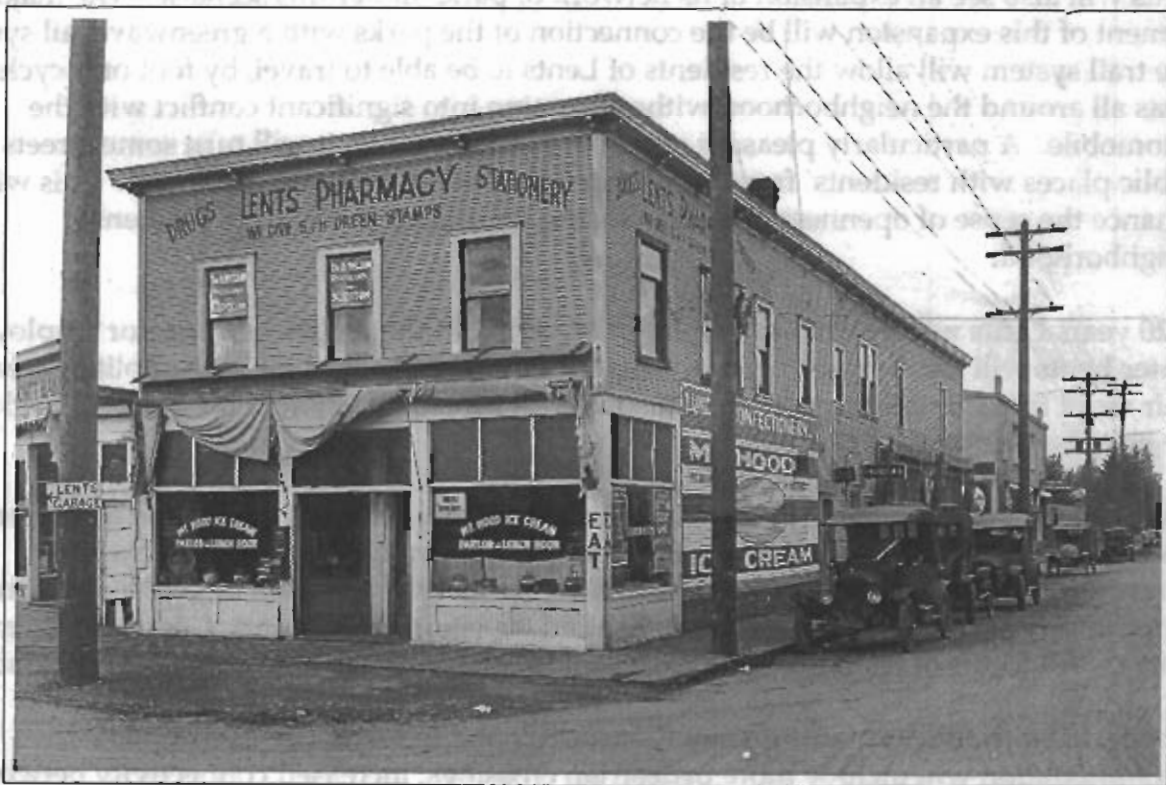
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Under this vision Lents will be served by high capacity transit, such as light rail, as well as bus service. Shoppers, workers, and residents will be able to board and depart transit at a multi-modal transportation center that will have commercial tie-ins at street level.

In the year 2015 Lents will be a thriving urban center in the outer southeast section of Portland where people enjoy living, working and going for activities and recreation. Lents will be respected as a great place to be and an area where expectations are high for an improved quality of life for the 20 years beyond 2015.

## Lents History

Settlers came to Oregon territory in the mid-1800s and dispersed throughout the Willamette Valley to establish land claims. One of the routes that settlers used was the northern fork of the Oregon Trail which later became Foster Road. Foster Road was a farm-to-market road named after Philip Foster, a pioneer who lived and operated a farm to the southeast, near Estacada. Several early settlers influenced place names and cultural



Lents at SE 92nd and Foster Road  
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institutions in and around Lents. Clinton Kelly, William Johnson, and O. P. Lent were the most prominent. Kelly Butte, Johnson Creek, and the neighborhood itself bear the names of these pioneers (Oregon Historical Society).

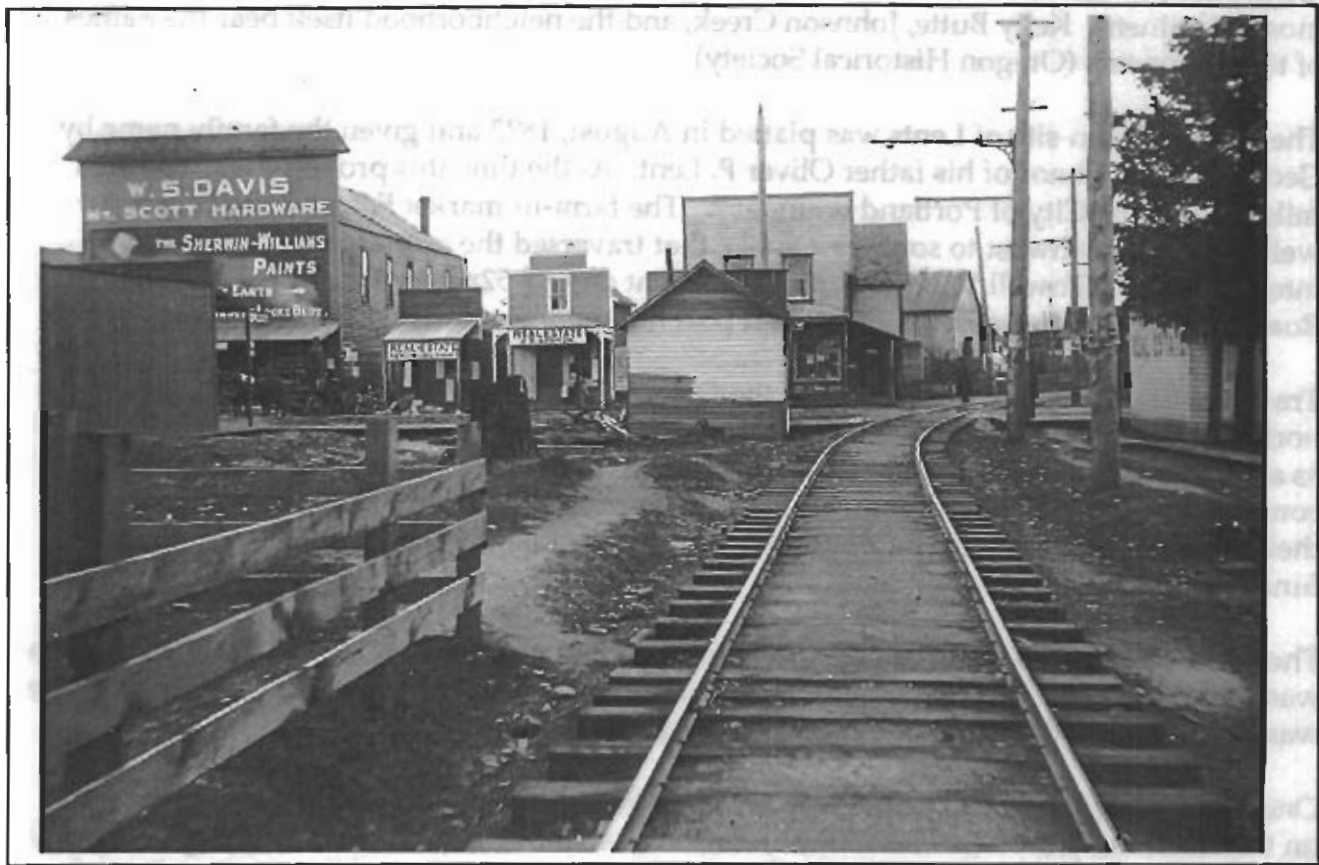
The original town-site of Lents was platted in August, 1892 and given the family name by George Lent in honor of his father Oliver P. Lent. At the time this property was one-half mile outside the City of Portland boundary. The farm-to-market Foster Road became a well traveled northwest to southeast spoke that traversed the area and diagonally intersected with Powell Valley Road near present day SE 52nd Avenue. Powell Valley Road then led to the regional market and port hub in downtown Portland.

Travelers disembarking from boats on the Columbia River used SE 82nd Avenue as a north-south route to Oregon City and points south. Southeast 92nd Avenue was also used as a north-south axis and became more prominent as the town grew around it. A lively commercial district soon developed at the cross roads of 92nd and Foster Road. Many of these businesses catered to the residents of the town of Lent. The town-site and economic functions of Lent grew.

The name of Lent soon was changed to Lent's. People would say "Let's go to Lent's", which was the possessive form of the founding father's family name of Lent. Later the apostrophe was dropped and the name of the town area became Lents.

One of the early residents of the Lents area was William Johnson. He operated a sawmill on the creek that now bears his name. Johnson's sawmill site land claim east of present day 92nd Avenue later became a mill site for subsequent owners. These owners were Dwyer Paper, Publishers Paper, and Smurfit Newsprint Company. Currently, this site is the largest parcel of land available for redevelopment in Lents.

A steam powered streetcar railway from Portland to Lents began in 1892. In 1901 the railway was electrified.



**Lents with Gresham Interurban Tracks**  
Photo courtesy of Oregon Historical Society, PGE 130-139

In 1912 Lents was annexed to Portland. The neighborhood was served by the Portland Traction Company interurban line running south from Hawthorne Boulevard on 50th to Foster Boulevard, up Foster to 72nd, south on 72nd to Woodstock, and east on Woodstock to 92nd and Foster, then on to 102nd and Foster known as Lent's Junction, and points east.

Lents grew along with the City of Portland. What had been farmsteads gave way to demand for residential land. Lents evolved from a streetcar suburb and small satellite community with rural character just outside the city limits, to a neighborhood just inside the city limits but far from the city center and political power.

Lents current status is that of a neighborhood trying to recover from the impact of the I-205 freeway construction. It was a neighborhood in decline, and is now coming up. Freeway right-of-way clearance removed approximately 500 dwellings from the neighborhood's housing stock and effectively divided the community with its concrete barrier.

In 1975 the one-way Foster/Woodstock couplet was completed. This couplet provides access to the I-205 freeway and re-routes traffic traveling in a west to east direction, out or inbound from or to the Portland city center, around the main commercial intersection of



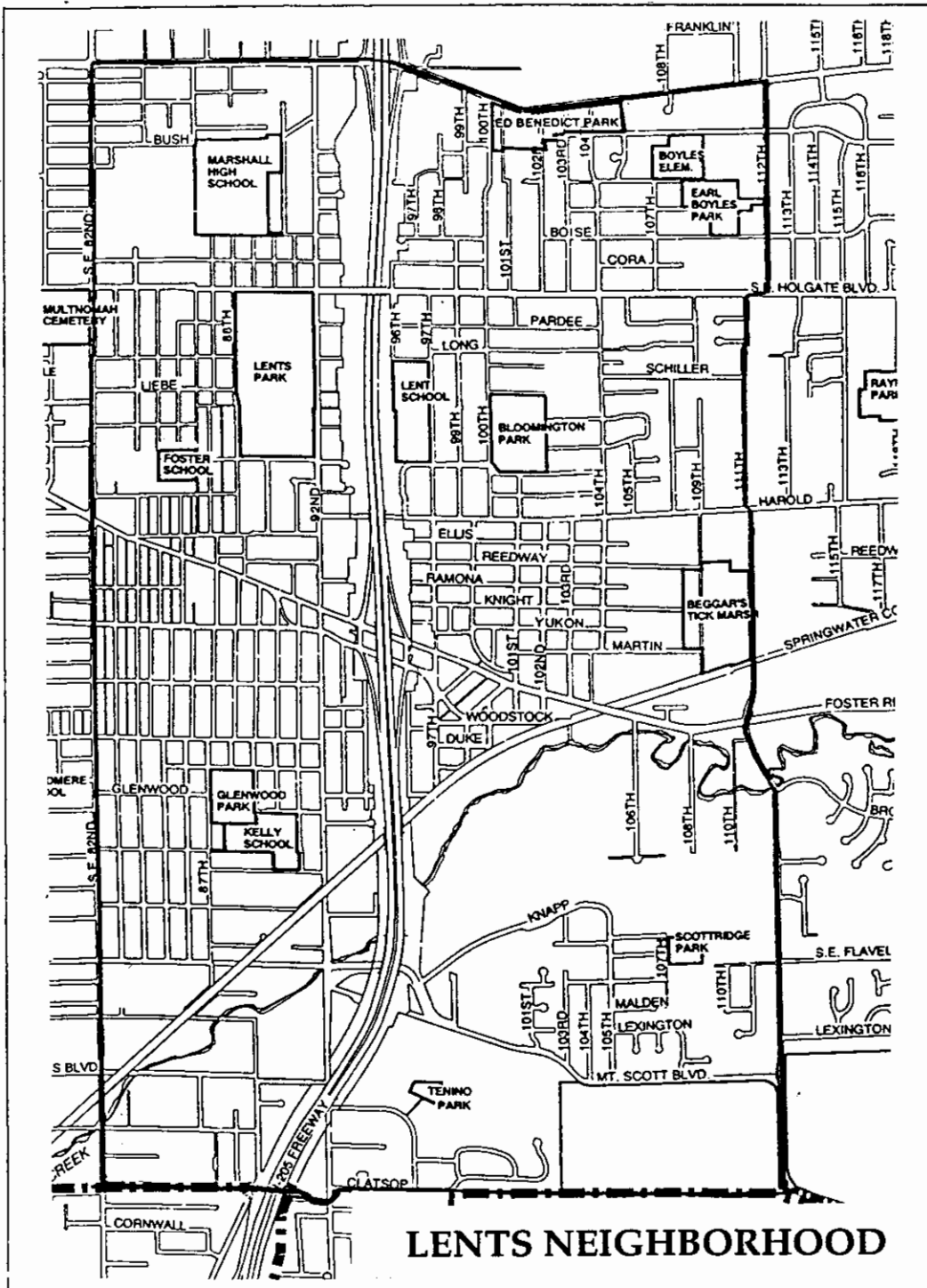
**Lents Junction**  
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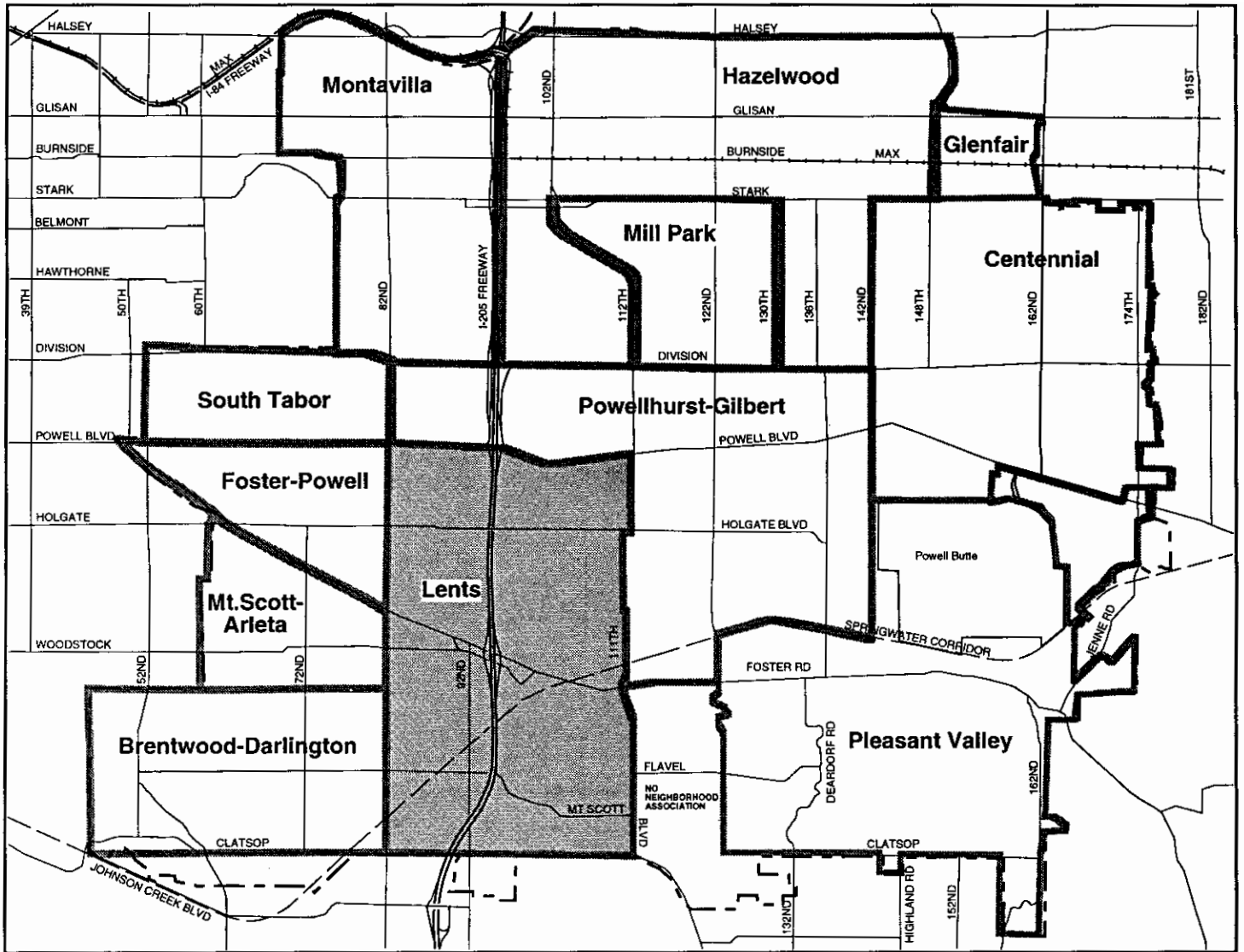
92nd and Foster Road. On-street parking spaces were eliminated so that turn lanes could be added that allowed traffic to flow smoothly through the Lents commercial district. The result of this one-way couplet was the loss of a pedestrian-friendly environment. Shoppers who lived in the neighborhood could no longer drive, park, and safely walk to the businesses of the Lents commercial area at 92nd and Foster. When the pedestrian environment declined business fell off in the commercial center. Former Lents consumers jumped in their cars and used the one-way couplet to access the newly constructed freeway and drive in comfort down the road to shopping malls and other commercial nodes with more convenient access.


## Boundaries


The boundaries of the Lents Neighborhood Association are:

Northern Boundary: SE Powell Blvd.  
Western Boundary: SE 82nd Avenue  
Southern Boundary: SE Clatsop Street  
Eastern Boundary: SE 112th Street





  
 NORTH

  
 ONE MILE

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## Lents Neighborhood

**Legend**

-  Outer Southeast Community Plan Boundary
-  Neighborhood Boundaries within Outer Southeast Community Plan Boundary
-  Lents Neighborhood





From *Neighborhood Building Blocks:  
Design Guidelines for Outer Southeast Portland*  
Portland Community Design, 1995





## **Purpose of this Plan**

### **Relationship to the Outer Southeast Community Plan and the Comprehensive Plan**

The Lents Neighborhood Plan is part of the Outer Southeast Community Plan, which was adopted as part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan by the Portland City Council on January 31, 1996 by Ordinance No. 169763 and Resolution No. 35491. The Outer Southeast Community Plan creates an overall framework for the twenty-six square mile plan area. This framework establishes programs, policies, and regulations and identifies actions applicable to or needed to benefit residents of the entire study area. Policies, projects, programs and other provisions which are unique to Lents are contained in the Lents Neighborhood Plan. The Neighborhood Plan also reinforces community plan elements applicable to the Lents neighborhood.

Development of neighborhood plans within the context of the Outer Southeast Community Plan ensured that the provisions developed for each neighborhood were coordinated with actions planned for the rest of the district. Compatibility of the elements included in the Outer Southeast Community Plan as well as the neighborhood plans with the City's Comprehensive Plan were major objectives of the process used for development of the Outer Southeast Community Plan. This process assured that each neighborhood plan was developed at the same time that the framework for the overall plan was being established. Review and refinement of the district and neighborhood plans progressed as a single process through the development of successive drafts.

### **How the Lents Neighborhood Plan is Structured**

The Lents Neighborhood Plan consists of several parts. They are the Neighborhood's Vision, history, and boundaries; Comprehensive Plan policies, objectives and action charts; a Neighborhood Association Advocacy Agenda; and appendices. The policies and objectives were adopted by Ordinance No. 169763. The action charts were adopted by Resolution No. 35491. Resolutions are advisory to decision makers and do not have the force of law. City Council took no action on the Neighborhood Association Advocacy Agenda, which was added as a result of Planning Commission decisions.

Vision and Goal: The Vision statement guides future implementation of the Lents Neighborhood Plan. The Vision states where the Plan is intended to lead the Lents Neighborhood and provides a standard against which to measure the Plan's success. The Lents Neighborhood Goal ties the Lents Neighborhood Plan to the Outer Southeast Community and Portland's adopted Comprehensive Plan Vision statements. It was adopted by ordinance as part of the Outer Southeast Community Plan Vision and the City's Comprehensive Plan Vision statement.

Policies and Objectives: The Lents Neighborhood Plan's policies and objectives address the aspects of the Lents Neighborhood over which those participating in the planning process wish to provide guidance to decision makers. Policies 1 - 8 were adopted as part of the Outer Southeast Community Plan and Comprehensive Plan by ordinance. The policies guide actions of both the neighborhood and other agencies for Crime and Public Safety; Economic Development; Trails, Open Space and the Environment; Historic Preservation; Urban Design; Housing; Neighborhood Livability; and Transportation. The objectives detail ways in which to carry out those policies.

Action Charts: The action charts specify projects, programs and regulatory measures that carry out the Neighborhood Plan's Policies. They are assigned a time frame and implementor to carry them out. Implementors have expressed interest and/or support for the action with which they are linked. Implementors are named with the understanding that circumstances may affect the implementation leader's ability to take action. Action charts were adopted by resolution.

Advocacy Agenda: The Neighborhood Association Advocacy Agenda was added as a result of testimony taken by Planning Commission and Planning Commission's subsequent decision to remove an item from the action charts. Instead of removing it from the Plan entirely, a new Advocacy Agenda was created to put it. The Advocacy Agenda is internal to the Lents Neighborhood and will be used only by the Lents Neighborhood Association. The Lents Neighborhood Association is solely responsible for implementing these actions.

Charts and drawings: These illustrate ideas for implementing the Lents Neighborhood Plan's policies.

## **The Planning Process**

The Lents Neighborhood Plan began informally during Fall, 1992. At that time students from a Portland State University student workshop for the Masters of Urban and Regional Planning began work on possible alternatives for Lents. They prepared, distributed and compiled questionnaires as part of the process. They formed a Steering Committee of local residents and businesses to provide direction for the project. A major document used during this process was *Lents Target Area Revitalization Plan*, prepared in February, 1992 by the ROSE Community Development Corporation.

On November, 19, 1992 the first Neighborhood Workshop was held as part of the Outer Southeast Community Plan workshops. The Steering Committee formed during the student project continued to guide the formation and direction of the Lents Neighborhood Plan. In October, 1993 ROSE published its *Lents Station Development Plan*. Materials from the various workshops, questionnaires, and ROSE documents were used in preparing the draft Lents Neighborhood Plan.

A workshop on April 20, 1994 provided Lents residents and businesses the opportunity to comment on the first draft plan, its direction and provisions. Various drafts were reviewed

by a number of Outer Southeast Community Plan Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) members throughout the process. The Proposed Plan was published and sent to the Planning Commission in February, 1995.

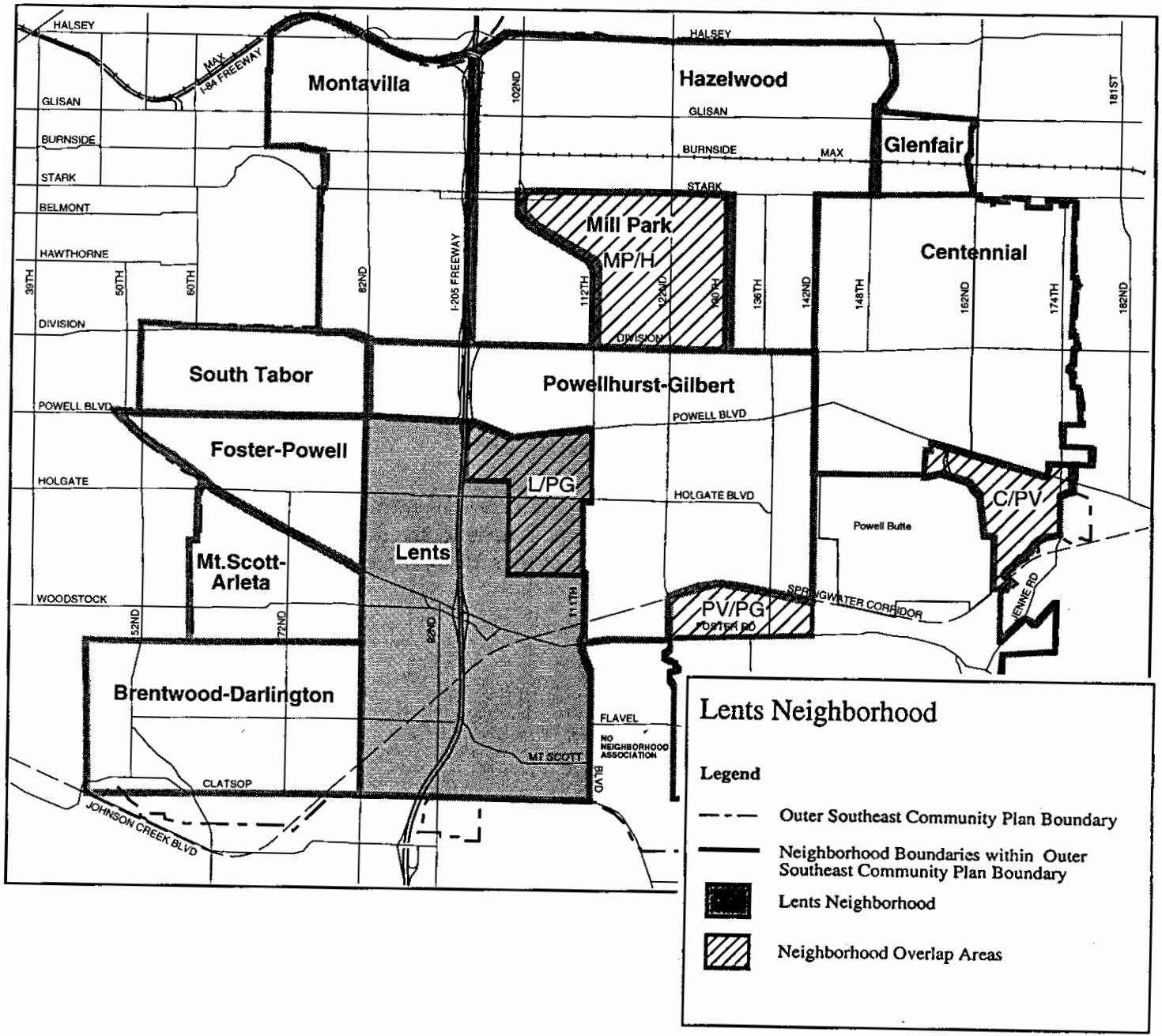


In March, 1995, the Portland Planning Commission held two public hearings, which generated several amendment requests to the Proposed Plan. Decisions made by the Planning Commission were incorporated into the Recommended Lents Neighborhood Plan, which was sent to City Council in October, 1995.

City Council held public hearings in November 1995 and January 1996 on the Recommended Plans. There were no requests to amend the Lents Neighborhood Plan. City Council adopted the Lents Neighborhood Plan by ordinance and resolution on January 31, 1996.

# Overlapping Boundary with Powellhurst-Gilbert Neighborhood Association

The boundaries of the Lents Neighborhood Association include portions of land also identified in the Bylaws of the Powellhurst-Gilbert Neighborhood Association. Powellhurst-Gilbert has prepared a neighborhood plan as part of the Outer Southeast Community Plan as well. Bureau of Planning staff reviewed each plan to assure consistency with each other as well as the Community Plan. However, it is possible that, sometime in the future, some policies, objectives and actions might be interpreted in such a manner as to create a conflict. Should this occur, decisions will be made based on both the Comprehensive Plan and individual elements of the Outer Southeast Community Plan.



**Policies, Objectives  
and Implementation Actions**

## **Policies, Objectives & Implementation Actions**

The following policies and objectives are included in Portland's Comprehensive Plan. Inclusion of these statements in the Comprehensive Plan makes the Lents Neighborhood Plan a part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan and the statewide planning system; excluding only the Neighborhood Association Advocacy Agenda. Future land use changes in the Outer Southeast Community Plan area will be required to conform with the City-wide Comprehensive Plan, Outer Southeast Community Plan and Lents Neighborhood Plan. These policies read:

### **Comprehensive Plan Policies 2.26 and 3.9**

#### **2.26 Outer Southeast Community Plan**

*Promote the economic vitality, diverse residential character, unique environmental quality, and livability of outer southeast Portland by including the Outer Southeast Community Plan as a part of this Comprehensive Plan.*

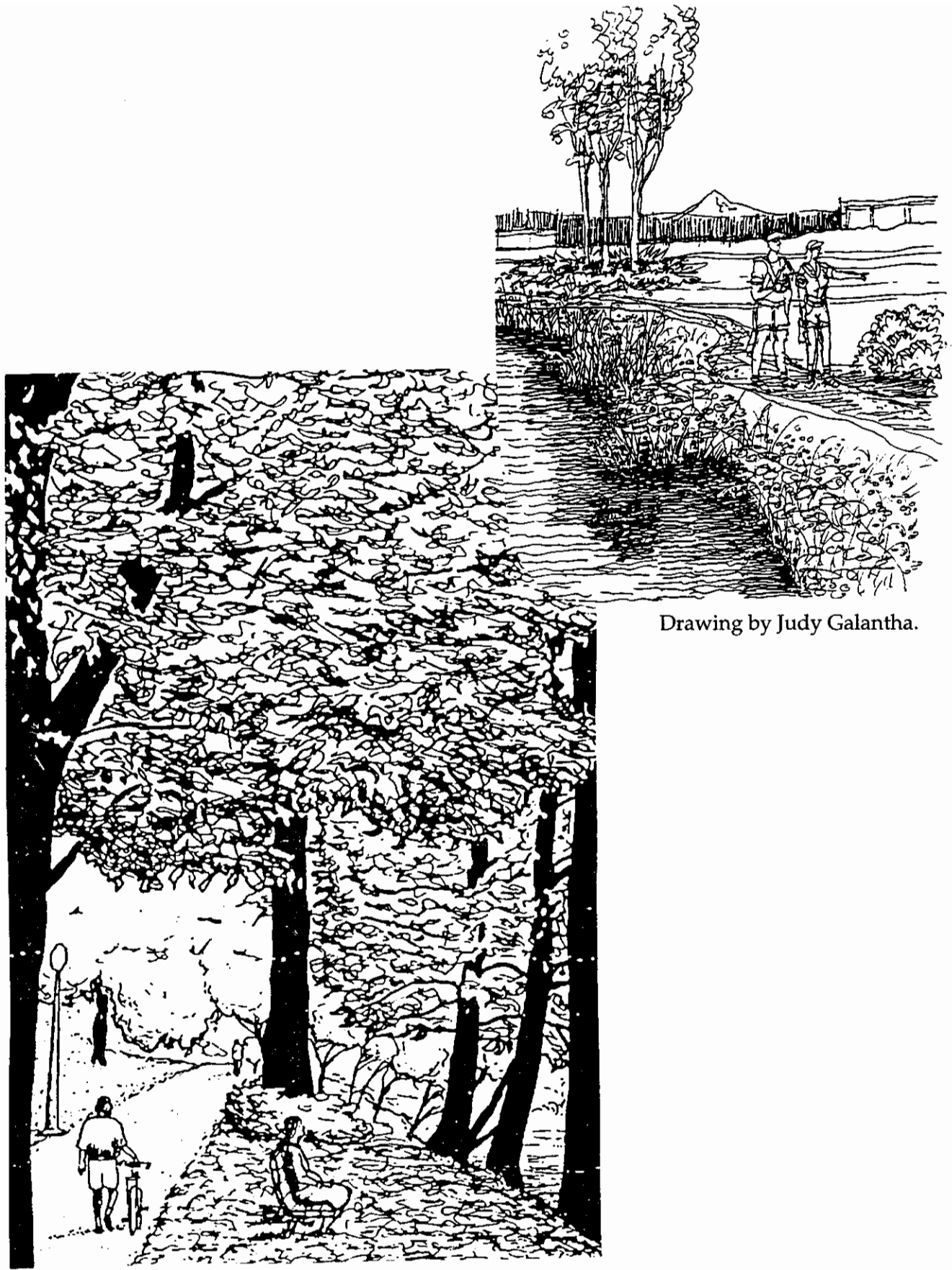
#### **3.9 Outer Southeast Community Plan Neighborhoods and Business Plan**

*Include as part of the Comprehensive Plan neighborhood and business plans developed as part of the Outer Southeast Community Plan. Neighborhood and business plans developed as part of the Outer Southeast Community Plan are those for Centennial, Foster-Powell, Hazelwood, Lents, Mt. Scott-Arleta, Mill Park, Montavilla, Outer Southeast Business Coalition, Pleasant Valley, Powellhurst-Gilbert, and South Tabor. Use the Neighborhood Plans to guide decisions on land use, transportation and capital expenditures, community development programs, where applicable.*

#### **Objectives:\***

**D.** *Ensure the high quality of life and environmental integrity of the Lents Neighborhood through implementation of the Lents Neighborhood Plan.*

\* The other objectives associated with Policy 3.9 pertain to other neighborhoods within the Outer Southeast Community Plan study area.



Drawing by Judy Galantha.

## Policy 1. Crime and Public Safety

**Reduce the frequency of crime and provide a safe environment for residents, businesses and visitors in the Lents neighborhood.**

(Adopted as part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan)

### Objectives:

1. Build a long term partnership with public safety agencies, within the framework of community policing, in order to improve the level of safety in the district.
2. Promote the location of public safety contact offices in the Lents area.
3. Improve livability by reducing vandalism, graffiti and property damage.
4. Maintain sidewalks in a clean and well-repaired condition, which comply with City standards.
5. Ensure that there is adequate street and pedestrian lighting throughout the neighborhood.
6. Strengthen and organize the community by using Neighborhood Watch.
7. Improve fire and emergency services in the Lents neighborhood.
8. Enforce traffic regulations, especially in the 92nd and Foster Pedestrian District and near schools.



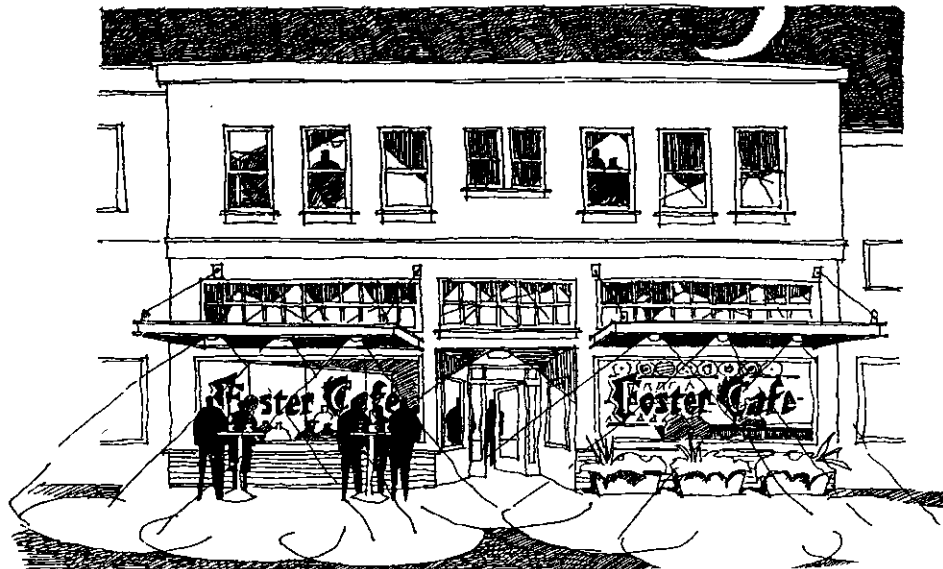


## Action Chart: Crime and Public Safety

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
<b>PROJECTS</b>						
PS1	Implement Neighborhood Watch in designated areas. Provide information available from Southeast Uplift to residents of the neighborhood.		X			SEUL, LNA, PPB, BHCD
PS2	Continue involvement with the Southeast Precinct Advisory Committee.		X			LNA
PS3	Identify trouble spots where speeding, drug sales, or gang activity call for increased attention from the appropriate agencies.			X		PPB, SEUL, LNA
PS4	Evaluate the need for a precinct, police/community contact stations in store fronts or other limited-facility form in the Lents neighborhood. Coordinate with the Portland Police Bureau, and possibility the County Sheriff to assist in this analysis and to establish appropriate actions to enhance public safety.			X		PPB, LNA, BHCD
PS5	Identify crisis areas (if any) and establish safety action teams in designated areas.			X		PPB, LNA
PS6	Investigate the possibility of holding parents responsible for their children's (minors) behavior.			X		Juvenile Court, LNA, SEUL
PS7	Survey the current number and locations of public street lights and inform the City of locations needing lights to improve traffic safety.			X		LNA
PS8	Provide information and statistics to property owners to encourage them to upgrade lighting on their private properties and to have joint lighting projects with their neighbors to reduce crime and increase pedestrian safety.			X		LNA
<b>PROGRAMS</b>						
PS9	Organize a Lents Public Safety Committee to work with Southeast Uplift to organize and support Neighborhood Watch and citizen patrols in the Lents Neighborhood.			X		LNA, SEUL
PS10	Establish community contact stations in fire stations or other limited-facilities which are accessible to residents in Lents.			X		LNA, PFB
PS11	Develop and maintain a relationship with the police liaison officer through regular meetings to review methods of dealing with specific problems.		X	X		LNA, PPB
PS12	Work with the Fire Bureau on educational means of making the neighborhood safer.			X		PFB, LNA
PS13	Request increased street lighting in the area of 92nd & Duke.			X		LNA

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
PS14	Inform residents how to request street lighting installation.			X		LNA
PS15	Request increased street lighting from 92nd to 82nd between Foster and Flavel.			X		LNA
PS16	Take action which will result in community cleanup of vandalized property, using the facilities of Southeast Uplift.			X		LNA
PS17	Educate people about the principles of crime prevention through environmental design. Provide information in brochure form which illustrates the recommendations of the Police Bureau regarding landscaping around homes and businesses.			X		BOP, PPB, SEUL, LNA
PS18	Encourage motion detector lighting.			X		LNA, BOB
PS19	Increase community involvement of the Fire Bureau by maintaining the Fire Station at 92nd and Reedway to provide a facility presence in the heart of the neighborhood.			X		LNA, PFB

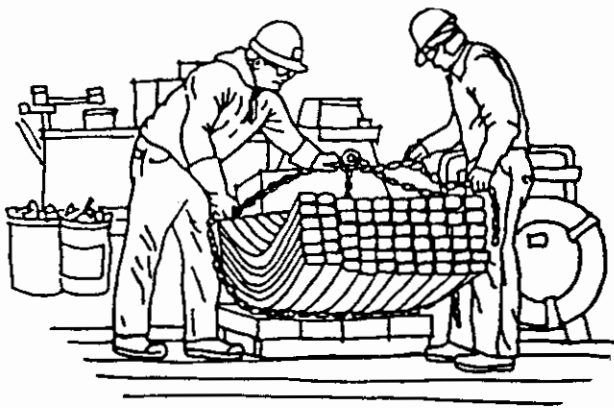
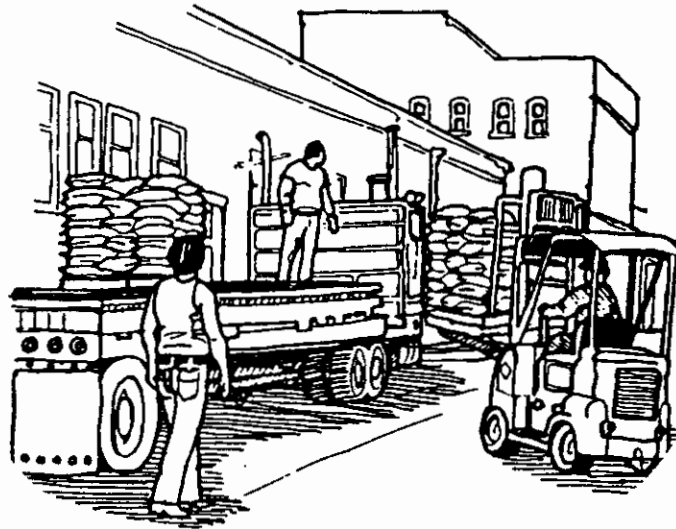
**Note:** Action Charts were approved by Portland City Council by resolution. They are a starting place. All actions have an identified implementor. They were adopted with the understanding that some will need to be adjusted and others replaced with more feasible proposals. Identification of an implementor for an action is an expression of interest and support with the understanding that circumstances will affect the implementation leader's ability to take action.



**Cafes & Restaurants increase activity & security.**

Residential units above commercial spaces add an around-the-clock human presence to the street and the neighborhood.

From *Neighborhood Building Blocks: Design Guidelines for Outer Southeast Portland*  
Portland Community Design, 1995



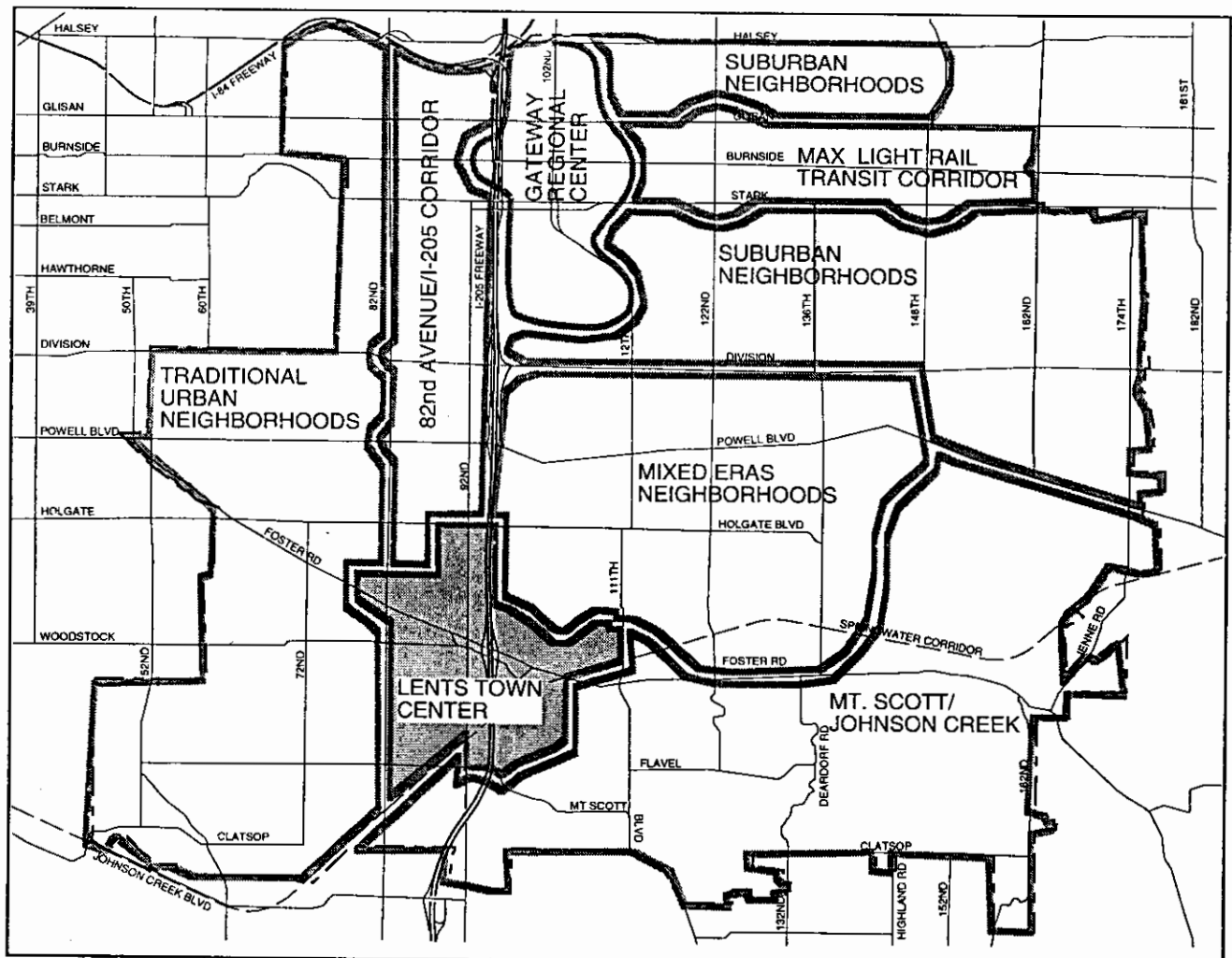
## Policy 2. Economic Development

### Preserve and enhance the commercial viability of existing businesses within the Lents area.

(Adopted as part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan)

#### Objectives:

1. Stimulate business growth, investment and a high level of livability.
2. Provide programs and incentives that will help stabilize and retain existing business and that will attract new firms and investments that will create new jobs for area residents.
3. Redevelopment of the former Publisher's Paper site will provide a major impetus to the economic viability of Lents.



## Action Chart: Economic Development

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
	<b>PROJECTS</b>					
ED1	Create and enhance pedestrian friendly environments in designated pedestrian districts.			X		PDOT, LNA, Pvt, PA
ED2	Provide opportunities for expansion of existing business firms.	X				BOP, BA
ED3	Commercially zoned lots should be at least 200 feet in depth, in appropriate areas.	X				BOP, BA
ED4	Develop and enhance the viability of business nodes.	X				BA
ED5	Revitalize historic buildings in the Lents area.			X		PDC, BA
ED6	Encourage development or expansion of business/commercial employers that create jobs with family-level wages.			X		PDC, BA
ED7	Create an attractive shopping and working environment that will bring pride to the community by emphasizing street trees and street furniture.			X		ROSE, BOP, FOT, BA
ED8	Discourage the expansion of strip commercial development.	X				BOP, BA
ED9	Encourage development of activities (festivals, carnivals, picnics, etc.) that will promote the area.		X			LNA, BA
ED10	Avoid excessive off-street parking and support joint (shared) parking.			X		LNA, BA, BOP
ED11	Encourage a stronger working relationship between the neighborhood association and business associations.			X		SEUL, LNA, OSEBC, BA
ED12	Develop a vocational training center.			X		LNA, PCC, MHCC, CCC
ED13	Work with PDC to provide additional family wage paying jobs within the LNA for residents of LNA.		X			LNA, BA, BHCD
ED14	Encourage the creation of small business firms (less than 10 employees) in the area.			X		PDC, Eastport Plaza, BA, OSEBC

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
	<b>PROGRAMS</b>					
ED15	Encourage and support future high capacity transit on I-205 and to existing business centers by supporting appropriate land use and urban design.			X		LNA, BA
ED16	Encourage the use of local goods and services.			X		LNA, OSEBC, FABA, 82ABA
ED17	Develop long-range economic development strategies.			X		PDC, ODDA, OSEBC, FABA, 82ABA
ED18	Seek ways to attract a viable high-tech industry to the area.			X		PDC, OSEBC, FABA, 82ABA
ED19	Seek ways to provide funding to support economic development in the community.			X		PDC, OSEBC FABA, 82ABA
ED20	<p>Support programs which lead to appropriate uses for the Publisher's Paper site. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Office Park</li> <li>• Mixed use housing</li> <li>• Business park</li> <li>• Hi-tech industry, clean industry</li> <li>• Warehouse distribution center</li> <li>• Movie theater complex</li> <li>• Auto mall (new cars)</li> <li>• Multi-purpose recreation</li> <li>• Amusement park</li> <li>• Light rail station and support facilities</li> <li>• Nursing home</li> <li>• Children's day care</li> <li>• Park</li> <li>• Ball park/stadium</li> </ul> <p>Inappropriate business and industry for the site:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rock crusher</li> <li>• Garbage compost</li> <li>• Waste recycling</li> <li>• Used car sales</li> <li>• R.V. park</li> <li>• Paper mill</li> <li>• Heavy industry with high off-site and environmental impacts</li> </ul>			X		PDC, Eastport Plaza, OSEBC, BA
ED21	Develop and implement an image/marketing plan for the area.			X		LNA, PDC, OSEBC, FABA, 82ABA

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
ED22	Continue to provide seed money as an incentive to assist in renovation which conforms with the <i>Lents Station Development Plan</i> , prepared for ROSE CDC. For instance develop vehicle parking on property identified in the plan.		X			LNA, ROSE, BA, BHCD
ED23	Produce background and promotional material about Lents and the surrounding market area to prospective business and commercial firms.			X		LNA, OSEBC, PDC, FAB, 82ABA, Cable Access

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Pedestrian-oriented mixed commercial/residential development - possible in various parts of Outer Southeast. (Drawing by Judy Galantha)

### Policy 3. Trails, Parks, Open Space and the Environment

#### Promote recreational opportunities in and around Lents while preserving and protecting the environment.

(Adopted as part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan)

##### Objectives:

1. Update facilities and increase the usability of developed parks.
2. Implement specific actions to promote security in parks.
3. Tailor the development of undeveloped parks and open spaces to fit neighborhood needs.
4. Protect wildlife, and its habitat, while allowing citizens to visually enjoy these natural resources.
5. Enhance the trail system.
6. Protect from degradation and maintain the integrity of minor tributaries to Johnson Creek.
7. Coordinate efforts to clean up Johnson Creek.



Lents contains an abundance of open space and recreational opportunities.



## Action Chart: Trails, Parks, Open Space and the Environment

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
	<b>PROJECTS</b>					
OS1	Remodel and update restroom facilities in parks where needed and as soon as possible.			X		Parks
OS2	Investigate the possibility of purchasing the last inholding property in Lents Park. When possible this property should be acquired.			X		Parks, BHCD, LNA
OS3	Consider building a community center in Lents Park, complete with covered swimming pool.				X	LNA
OS4	Create more skateboard and bicycle facilities, well-separated from pedestrian facilities, in existing parks.			X		Parks
OS5	Place more lighting in parks.			X		Parks
OS6	Start a mural project in parks prone to graffiti (include Lents Boys and Girls Club).			X		SEUL, LNA, Parks
OS7	Use citizen patrols to enforce animal control and scooping ordinances.			X		LNA, SEUL, BHCD
OS8	Organize neighborhood patrols.			X		LNA, SEUL
OS9	Connect parks to the Springwater Corridor by establishing bike lanes and signs along arterial streets adjoining the corridor.			X		PDOT, Parks, LNA
OS10	Encourage the City to finish development of Ed Benedict Park with the improvements previously committed to: picnic area, ball park, and playground facilities. Follow the recommendations of the Citizens Advisory Committee and the local neighborhood.		X	X		LNA, Parks, BHCD
OS11	Develop Earl Boyles Park as a local neighborhood park complete with picnic and play area.				X	Parks, BHCD
OS12	Preserve and maintain Tenino Park in its current state.	X				Parks
OS13	Replant trees around the periphery of Scott Ridge Park and develop the park for local recreation, while minimizing impervious surfaces. Include a ball park and a play area.			X		LNA
OS14	Require on-site retention for all new development. Otherwise, provide systems that do not dispose of additional storm water in Johnson Creek.		X			BOP, BES
OS15	Study the feasibility of expanding Walker Stadium in Lents Park to seat approximately 10,000 people. Encourage attracting a minor league professional baseball team to this location.		X			PDC, Parks, BA, LNA

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
	<b>PROGRAMS</b>					
OS16	Develop the city-owned property at 111th and Harold in a natural manner that allows for water retention and recreation. Pursue acquisition of the parcel on 111th for the park entrance.			X		Parks, BES
OS17	Utilize the City-owned property off Brookside Drive for water retention and flood control. Connect a trail system from the marsh to Johnson Creek.			X		BES
OS18	Owners of the mill site should be encouraged to preserve existing vegetation and wetlands.		X			LNA, BOP, BES
OS19	Start an aggressive tree planting effort along I-205 in areas not in conflict with future High Capacity Transit.			X		ODOT, FOT
OS20	Encourage the appropriate agencies to utilize the open space under the I-205 overpass between Foster and Woodstock for a transit waiting area with benches, wildflowers and trees.			X		LNA
OS21	Endorse implementation of the <i>East Buttes and Terraces Protection Plan</i> .		X			LNA
OS22	Use accepted methods of vector control which are environmentally compatible or which rely on native species to control pests.		X	X		BES, Parks, MC
OS23	Construct better viewing areas and paths around Beggar's Tick Marsh.			X		Parks, Metro, MC
OS24	Plan for sewers on properties surrounding Beggar's Tick Marsh.			X		BES, BOB
OS25	Require industrial businesses surrounding the marsh to better contain pollutants that threaten the health of the marsh.			X		BES, DEQ
OS26	Install drinking water sources along the Springwater Trail as well as garbage cans, benches and more lighting.			X		Parks
OS27	Install safe crosswalks where the Springwater Trail crosses 82nd Avenue, Foster Road and 136th Avenue. Minimize conflicts between vehicles, particularly trucks, and users on the Springwater Trail.			X		Parks, ODOT, PDOT
OS28	Post signs in the neighborhood that inform citizens about the illegality of dumping, what fines can be incurred, what rewards are available for those who report dumping and who to contact if dumping occurs.			X		LNA, BOB, Metro

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		On-going	Adopted with Plan	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
OS29	Encourage appropriate agencies to place barriers in undeveloped rights-of-ways where illegal dumping occurs to deter further dumping, i.e. 89th north of Crystal Springs Blvd.			X		LNA
OS30	Organize an effort to replant along creeks to control erosion and provide habitat for wildlife.			X		LNA, JCCC USFS, Parks
OS31	Establish biannual cleanups of Johnson Creek.			X		LNA, JCCC
OS32	Request funds from City as part of the <i>Clean Rivers Program</i> for dump boxes for annual clean-up.			X		LNA, BES, JCCC
OS33	Contact businesses and organizations for donations of heavy equipment and labor for clean ups.			X		LNA, OSEBC, FABA, 82ABA
OS34	Request BES to give top priority for sewer hook up to those properties located in the EP and EC zones - specifically those currently on septic and cesspool systems.			X		BES
OS35	Work to halt all sanitary sewer overflow into Johnson Creek by creating adequate drain fields.			X		BES, BOB
OS36	Provide funds to provide equipment, on a one-time basis, for citizen patrols.			X		LNA, BHCD
OS37	Work with the City to fund a study to identify a practical permeable surface which may be used for streets and driveways in the Johnson Creek floodplain. Implement the results of this study as soon as possible.			X		LNA
OS38	Support and implement the recommendations of the Johnson Creek Corridor Committee to insure that approaches are consistent with basin-wide management practices.			X		BOP, BES, BOB

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## Policy 4. Historic Preservation

**Preserve historic and cultural resources within the Lents Neighborhood and promote awareness of historic people, places and events in Lents.**

(Adopted as part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan)

### Objectives:

1. Promote an awareness of Lents historic identity.
2. Document and preserve the historic elements of Lents.
3. Promote restoration of historic residential and commercial structures.
4. Preserve houses that reinforce the historic small-town character of Lents.



One of several homes of possible historic importance in Lents.

## Action Chart: Historic Preservation

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
<b>PROJECTS</b>						
HP1	Establish a Lents historical society to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish a Lents historical archive.</li> <li>• Research historical events and people in Lents.</li> <li>• Preserve historical documents, photographs and artifacts of Lents.</li> <li>• Create a neighborhood preservation group to act as a clearing house for local labor, expertise and information.</li> </ul>			X		LNA, OHS, FDC, OSEBC, FABAA, 82ABA
HP2	Place historical markers at significant places.			X		LHS, OSEBC, FABAA, 82ABA, LNA
HP3	Publish a brochure on the history of Lents.			X		LHS, OSEBC, FABAA, 82ABA, LNA
HP4	Plan, publish and promote a self-guided tour of historic Lents which can be taken by bike, car or on foot.			X		LHS, OSEBC, FABAA, 82ABA, LNA
HP5	Hold an annual event with a Lents historical theme.			X		LHS, OSEBC, FABAA, 82ABA, LNA
HP6	Provide a seed grant to establish a Lents Historical Society.			X		LNA
<b>PROGRAMS</b>						
HP7	Encourage property owners to restore historic structures.			X		LHS, ROSE, OSEBC, FABAA, 82ABA, LNA
<b>REGULATIONS</b>						
HP8	Create zoning that reinforces small-town historic character.	X				BOP, LNA, BA

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## Policy 5. Urban Design

**Use urban design concepts and amenities to preserve and enhance neighborhood livability and to maintain a sense of place.**

(Adopted as part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan)

### Objectives:

1. Encourage business owners to create and maintain an attractive environment in commercial areas of Lents.
2. Strengthen neighborhood identity.
3. Reduce negative impacts of the I-205 freeway on the surrounding neighborhood.

### Action Chart: Urban Design

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
	<b>PROJECTS</b>					
D1	Request special street name signs for the neighborhood.			X		LNA
D2	Clearly indicate entry into the Lents neighborhood by signs and landmarks. Encourage PDOT to work with the neighborhood to do this.			X		LNA, Adjacent property owners
D3	Promote the improvement of residential streets to City standards including paving, planter strips, street trees and sidewalks. Encourage PDOT to work with the neighborhood to do this.			X		LNA, BHCD
D4	Encourage the use of extensions, or street tree easements, near the sidewalk on the adjoining private property frontage for street trees in order to improve the area for pedestrian use where right-of-way width is inadequate to provide usable sidewalks. Request a neighborhood-wide study to identify and implement methods for increasing street plantings.			X		LNA
D5	Request a study from ODOT on sound mitigation for neighborhoods near I-205.				X	LNA
D6	Request that ODOT plant vines next to sound walls to reduce graffiti.				X	LNA
D7	Explore the placement of more foot bridges and overpasses over the freeway, to reconnect the two halves of the Lents neighborhood.				X	LNA, ODOT

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
D8	Plant the I-205 parkway with trees and shrubs to reduce air pollution, noise, provide a wildlife corridor between Kelly Butte, Mt. Scott and Johnson Creek and to improve the aesthetic and recreational value of the parkway.			X		ODOT, FOT
D9	Preserve state-owned land near proposed transit stations for future transit use.	X				ODOT
<b>PROGRAMS</b>						
D10	Encourage business owners to provide privately owned open spaces that can be enjoyed by residents and people doing business in the area.			X		LNA, ROSE, FABAA, 82ABA
D11	Encourage business owners to provide public art and associated amenities such as benches, flower boxes and drinking fountains.			X		LNA, ROSE, FABAA, 82ABA
D12	Encourage businesses whose patrons generate litter to provide and maintain trash receptacles at every exit of the business and to regularly clean outdoor areas, parking lots, landscaping areas, adjoining sidewalks on and next to the premises.			X		LNA, FABAA, 82ABA
D13	Encourage businesses near bus stops to request trash receptacles from Tri-Met which can be maintained by the business.			X		TM, LNA, FABAA, 82ABA
D14	Request use of government-owned open spaces in the I-205, Foster-Woodstock couplet as pocket parks and bike rest areas, including benches, bike racks, public restrooms, drinking fountains, trees shrubs and flowers and historical markers.			X		LHS, ROSE, BA
D15	Encourage an efficient arrangement of on-site improvements in all new developments. These should include clustering of development, preservation of wooded and natural areas, buffering of adjacent residential uses, well-defined pedestrian connections and accommodations for the handicapped.	X	X			BOP, LNA, FABAA, 82ABA

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## Policy 6. Housing

**Encourage a sense of community pride in Lents by maintaining, restoring and rehabilitating existing homes and taking advantage of opportunities to build a variety of new housing.**

(Adopted as part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan)

### Objectives:

1. Promote rehabilitation of existing housing.
2. Increase home ownership and long-term lease/rental.
3. Encourage the development of new buildings (business and residential).
4. Develop affordable housing in buildings with vacant upper floors.



One of the delightful homes gracing SE 92nd in Lents. Its generous porch enhances a street which contains a wide variety of residential styles.

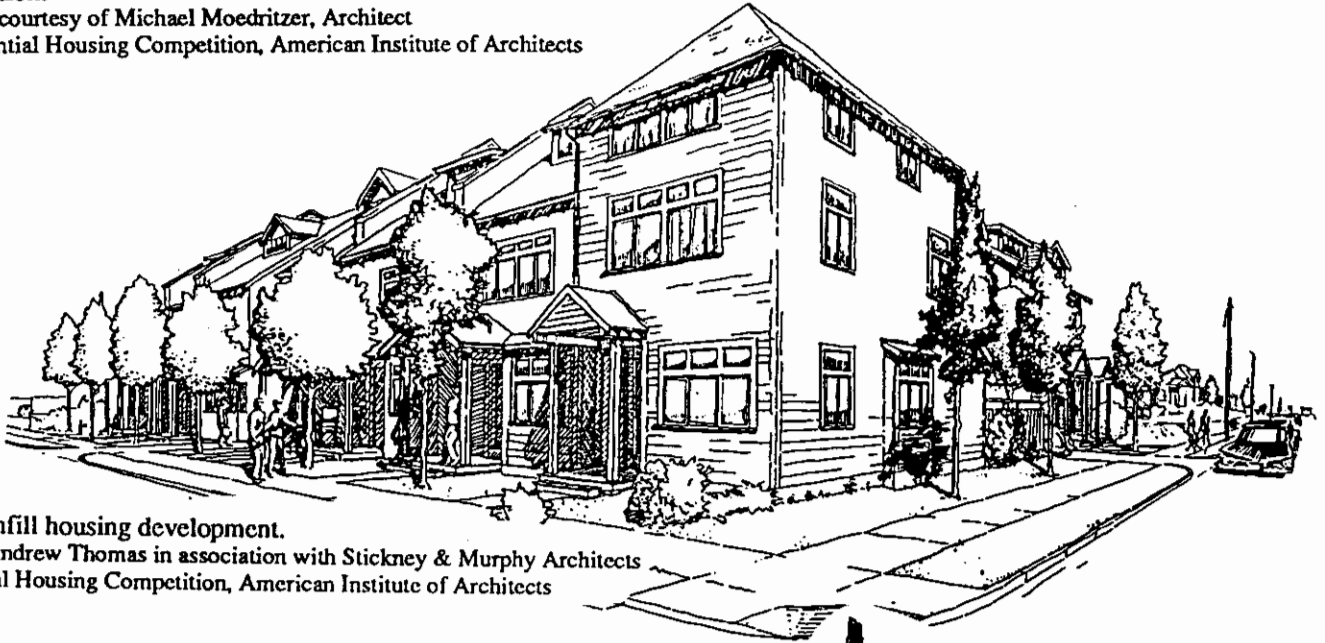




## Types of Infill Development

Compatible infill development which is consistent with guidelines for new residential construction.

Drawing courtesy of Michael Moedritzer, Architect  
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Proposed infill housing development.

Design by Andrew Thomas in association with Stickney & Murphy Architects  
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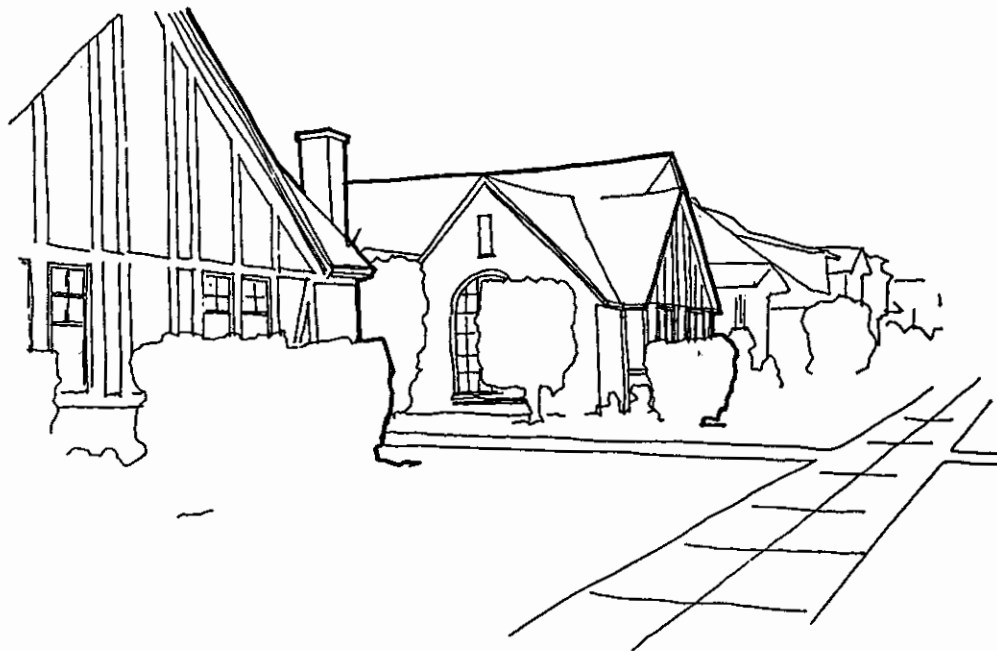


From *Neighborhood Building Blocks: Design Guidelines for Outer Southeast Portland*  
Portland Community Design, 1995

**GARAGES CAN HAVE ACCESSORY UNITS IN R 2.5a, R2 & R1 ZONES.** This can improve security and provide needed housing.

## Action Chart: Housing

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
	<b>PROJECTS</b>					
H1	Provide information on low interest loans from local banks and PDC.			X		LNA, ROSE, PDC, Fin. Ins
H2	Help non-profit development corporations with recruiting volunteers and fund-raising efforts.		X			LNA, ROSE, FABBA, 82ABA, OSEBC, BHCD
H3	Improve or condemn derelict housing in a timely manner.		X			ROSE
H4	Expedite the nuisance abatement and condemnation processes.		X			BOB
H5	Inform landlords & tenants as to the financial benefits of stable, long term tenants.			X		LNA
H6	Simplify access for home owners to financial resources and technical expertise.			X		LNA, PDC, ROSE, Finance Institutions
H7	Seek ways to provide LNA with a housing and livability liaison who has access to professional resources.			X		LNA, SEUL, ONA, BHCD, PHC
H8	Work with the BOB to notify the neighborhood association at quarterly meetings of derelict and dilapidated housing.			X		LNA
H9	Define and identify historically significant housing i.e. year, style, original owner, with signs.			X		LHS



#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
<b>PROGRAMS</b>						
H10	Provide financial assistance and coordination for rehabilitation of historically significant housing.			X		PDC
H11	Provide financial incentive for new buildings that meet small-town historic criteria.			X		PDC, ROSE
H12	Facilitate the sale of surplus government property to non-profit housing developers and concerned citizens.			X		LNA, Govt Owners
H13	Provide neighborhood events aimed at improving the appearance of the neighborhood - cleanups for example.			X		LNA, BHCD, BA
H14	Support the activities of ROSE and other non-profit developers in the provision of housing in the Lents area.		X			LNA
<b>REGULATIONS</b>						
H15	Zone to allow medium density housing; duplexes, triplexes, row-houses, and Mother-in-Law apartments.	X				BOP
H16	Zone to allow high density housing near transit corridors and commercial areas.	X				BOP

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Homes along SE 92nd lend a pleasant and distinct neighborhood character to the area.

## Policy 7. Neighborhood Livability

**Restore Lents identity as a friendly, safe, attractive neighborhood for everyone in our historic community.**

(Adopted as part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan)

### Objectives:

1. Maintain existing community resources and establish others such as community center, library, historical mini museum, mini parks, community garden, mini precinct and senior center.
2. Improve traffic control for motor vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclists.
3. Take advantage of the historic character of old downtown Lents (I-205 to 92nd between Woodstock and Foster).
4. Provide screening for off-street parking in new commercial, industrial and housing developments.
5. Recreate small-town historic Lents neighborhood.



The Boys and Girls Club provides safe recreational activities for youngsters in the Lents neighborhood.

## Action Chart: Neighborhood Livability

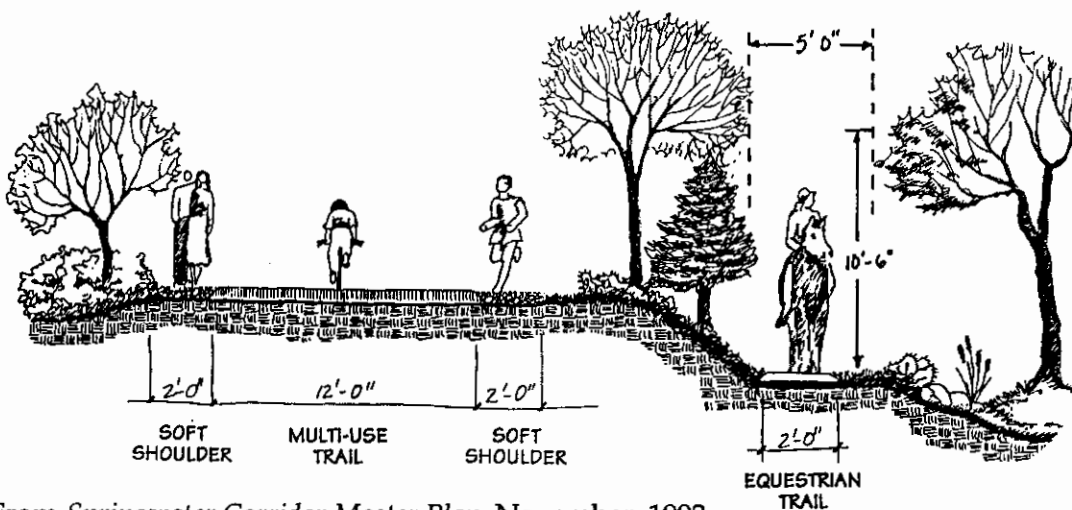
#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
<b>PROJECTS</b>						
L1	Locate community libraries and other community resources to be within walking distance of Old Town Lents and Eastport Commercial node. (Old Town Lents is the area from I-205 to 92nd between Woodstock and Foster.)			X		Various Govt. Agencies and developers
L2	Provide Library service such as Bookmobile regularly visiting Old Town Lents.			X		Multnomah County Library
L3	Implement a community school program at Lents and/or Kelly schools, and coordinate the program with the Boys and Girls Club programs.			X		LNA, PPS, Boys & Girls Club
L4	Request that PDOT create an integrated traffic plan throughout the neighborhood, but especially in old downtown Lents, which accommodates pedestrians, bicycles and motorized vehicular traffic. Heavily lobby for this project.			X		LNA, ROSE, BA, Pvt.



Marshall High School

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
L5	Work with PDOT to provide safe pedestrian routes/crossings throughout the neighborhood. Neighborhood priorities are: 1. I-205 & Foster 2. 92nd near Marshall High School 3. Ellis between Foster & 92nd 4. Springwater Trail crossing at Foster 5. Connections between parks and open spaces, institutions and commercial areas.			X		LNA, ROSE, BA, Pvt, Parks
L6	Create visible housing and livability demonstration projects.			X		ROSE, BOP
L7	Provide management and budget for notification of community about government activity.			X		ONA, SEUL
L8	Screen off-street parking with vegetation.	X	X			BOP
L9	Seek increased lighting on side streets.			X		LNA
L10	Try to ensure that the scale of new development is compatible with the surrounding residential and commercial areas.	X	X			BOP
<b>PROGRAMS</b>						
L11	Prepare recommendations, to be presented to the City, which insure that non-housing activities in designated residential areas are adapted to reinforce the residential character of these areas.			X		LNA
L12	Work with Friends of Trees, Audubon, Parks, private agencies, to establish an aggressive tree planting program throughout the neighborhood.			X		LNA, BA

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From Springwater Corridor Master Plan, November, 1992





Foster Road, near 110th, Oregon Historical Society #OrHi 62637



Some of Lents' founders are buried in the Pioneer Cemetery, located across the street from Lents in the Foster-Powell Neighborhood.

## Policy 8. Transportation

**Improve access to and through Lents using a variety of modes while reducing noise, pollution and safety hazards.**

(Adopted as part of Portland's Comprehensive Plan)

### Objectives:

1. Reduce conflicts between pedestrians and autos
2. Encourage effective public transportation (i.e. appropriate transit routes to serve ridership) to and within the Lents Neighborhood.
3. Improve unimproved roads and maintain streets throughout in the Lents Neighborhood.

### Action Chart: Transportation

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
	<b>PROJECTS</b>					
T1	Request a study of pedestrian crossings in the neighborhood. Priorities are: foster & 96th, Springwater Corridor & Foster, I-205 & Powell and 97th & Foster.			*		LNA, BA
T2	Request that PDOT provide more crosswalks on Foster, especially at 72nd.			X		LNA, BA
T3	Seek funding to implement the Pedestrian District designation in Lents as shown in the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan.			X		LNA, BA
T4	Request an amendment to the Transportation Element to expand the Lents Pedestrian district north to the Boys and Girls Club.		X			BOP, LNA, BA
T5	Seek implementation of traffic calming methods to reduce the speed of vehicles on the streets next to Lents Park and the Boys and Girls Club.			*	X	LNA, BA

\* Refer to PDOT immediately



#	Actions	Time				Implementors	
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs		
T6	Request review of the signalized intersection at SE 104th and Holgate to improve pedestrian crossings.			*	X		LNA
T7	Request that PDOT study ways to coordinate the timing of lights on Foster to move traffic efficiently.				X		LNA, BA
T8	Request removal of the free right turn in the off-ramp at 94th and Foster and explore techniques to slow traffic on off-ramps to improve pedestrian safety and comfort crossing the off ramps.			*	*		LNA, BA, ODOT
T9	Petition the state to reduce speed on Foster Road east of I-205.			*	X		LNA, BA
T10	Support additional curb ramps and striping on all corners of the 111th and Foster intersection.			*	X		BHCD
T11	Provide sidewalk access from the intersection of 111th & Foster to Beggar's Tick Marsh.				X		LNA
T12	Encourage transit use through the use of incentives to reduce the number of auto trips.		X				Pvt, TM
T13	Provide support for High Capacity Transit on I-205, with a transit stop at Foster & I-205.				X		LNA, BA, TM
T14	Transit stops should also be provided on I-205 at Powell and Holgate.					X	TM
T15	Request improvements which create a safe pedestrian walkway and bicycle route on Foster Road, east of I-205 that could hook up with the trail system - Springwater Trail and I-205 bike path.				X		LNA
T16	Request PDOT to make the Lents Pedestrian District more usable for pedestrians by considering use of curb extensions and other improvements to enhance the environment for pedestrians. Neighborhood priorities are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the north side of Foster on the east side of the intersection with 92nd Avenue</li> <li>possibly for a mid-block connection between 92nd &amp; I-205, roughly from the New Copper Penny front door to the off street parking behind the building on the north side of Foster</li> <li>realignment of the southbound off-ramp to Foster.</li> </ul>		X				LNA, BA
T17	Pave unimproved streets and add sidewalks in areas where there are none, especially between Holgate and Powell on 92nd.				X		LNA, BHCD

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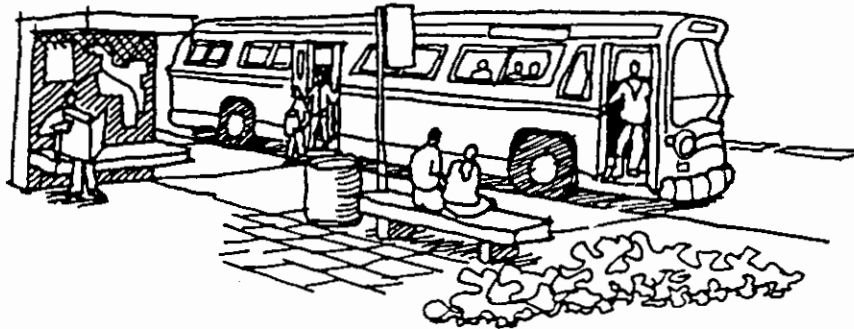
#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
T18	Improve neighborhood circulation by establishing a comprehensive system of bike and pedestrian routes by participating in the City's transportation system planning process.			X		LNA, BA, TM
	<b>PROGRAMS</b>					
T19	Encourage the posting of "bike route" signs on designated bike routes. Request striping for bike lanes on Woodstock, Holgate and Foster Road.			*	X	LNA
T20	Designate bike ways to connect parks and the existing bike/pedestrian path along I-205 and the Springwater Corridor as part of the Bike Master Plan.				X	LNA
T21	Improve the "bike/pedestrian" crossing sections of the I-205 and Springwater Corridor bike/pedestrian paths.					ODOT, Parks
T22	Advocate for the use of the Springwater Corridor segment in the Lents Neighborhood as a foundation to build a loop system which connects points of interest and employment centers in Lents.				X	LNA, BOP, Parks
T23	Request that PDOT identify strategies for improving the LNA with sidewalks. Neighborhood priorities are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foster, East of I-205</li> <li>• 112th, South of Foster</li> <li>• Mt. Scott Boulevard</li> <li>• SE 92nd, SE Powell to Schiller</li> <li>• SE Harold, SE 102nd to SE 112th</li> <li>• SE 104th, SE Powell to SE Harold</li> <li>• SE 103rd, SE Harold to SE Foster</li> <li>• SE Holgate, I-205 to SE 112th</li> <li>• SE Flavel, SE 82nd to 92nd</li> <li>• SE Powell, 98th to 112th</li> <li>• SE 82nd, SE Duke to SE Clatsop</li> <li>• SE 111th, SE Powell to SE Holgate</li> </ul>			*	X	LNA, BA
T24	Support ongoing PDOT and ODOT efforts to place curb ramps at all intersections on all major streets.			*	X	LNA, BA
T25	Work with PDOT through its substandard street program to improve substandard streets.		X			LNA, BA
T26	The Transportation Subcommittee should report to the LNA at least bi-annually. They should lobby for implementation of a program to improve streets in an affordable manner.		X			LNA, BHCD, BA

\* Refer to PDOT immediately

#	Actions	Time				Implementors
		Adopted with Plan	On-going	Next 5 Yrs	6 to 20 Yrs	
T27	Create an information sheet which identifies City, County, state and federal agencies who have control over transportation issues.		*			LNA, BA
T28	Request that PDOT consider implementation of traffic-calming devices around parks and schools in Lents.		*	X		LNA
T29	Add bus shelters throughout Lents, particularly at 82nd and Foster.		*	X		TM
T30	Support completion of a city-wide bicycle plan.			X		LNA
T31	Encourage PDOT to plant wildflowers and trees on unused city right-of-way near Foster-Woodstock and I-205.			X		LNA, BA, BES
T32	Use the Transportation Subcommittee to pull business people together to investigate ways to implement the trolley loop.			X		LNA, BA

\* Refer to PDOT immediately

**Note:** Action Charts were approved by Portland City Council by resolution. They are a starting place. All actions have an identified implementor. They were adopted with the understanding that some will need to be adjusted and others replaced with more feasible proposals. Identification of an implementor for an action is an expression of interest and support with the understanding that circumstances will affect the implementation leader's ability to take action.



## Neighborhood Association Advocacy Agenda

The Lents Neighborhood Association Advocacy Agenda was added as a result of testimony taken by Planning Commission and Planning Commission's subsequent decision to remove an item from the action charts. Instead of removing the item from the Neighborhood Plan entirely, this new Advocacy Agenda was created so it could remain in the Plan. In addition, several items within the Lents Neighborhood Plan were subsequently found to be outside of the Neighborhood Association's boundary and, therefore, outside the scope of the Lents Neighborhood Plan. These items were also moved into the newly created Advocacy Agenda.

Items within the Advocacy Agenda either conflict with City policy and/or Metro or State goals, policies or guidelines, are inappropriate in a Plan developed and adopted for the Lents Neighborhood, or are outside the scope of the Lents Neighborhood Plan. They are included in this document out of respect for the hard work the Lents neighbors have brought to their plan process.

The Advocacy Agenda is for the guidance of only the Lents Neighborhood Association. It will be used by the Lents Neighborhood Association only. City Council did not take any action on this Agenda. These items are not adopted nor endorsed by the City in any way and are not a part of the City's Comprehensive Plan, the Outer Southeast Community Plan, nor the City's adopted Lents Neighborhood Plan. These actions will be used to guide the work of the Neighborhood Association. They may also be the subject of requests for capital improvement projects and grant applications. In no instance will any item included in these sections be used for individual land use site specific issues. The presence of these items in this part of the plan does not reflect or imply any support by the City or its bureaus for these actions.

This Advocacy Agenda is divided into two sections. Section I includes items which solely pertain to the Lents Neighborhood Association, are beyond the scope of the plan, or are outside of the Neighborhood Association or City boundaries.

Points that conflict with City policy are identified in Section II, with the appropriate policy referenced. These statements are included in this document out of respect for the hard work the Lents neighbors have brought to their plan process.

## Section I

This section includes points which solely pertain to the Lents Neighborhood Association, are beyond the scope of the plan, are outside of the Neighborhood Association or City boundaries, or are good ideas which lack implementors.

1. Preserve, restore and maintain Multnomah Park Cemetery for its historic value. Maintain the Pioneer Cemetery at the corner of SE 82nd and Holgate (located in the Foster-Powell neighborhood).
  - a. Encourage the placement of signs at entrances identifying the cemetery as "Multnomah Park Cemetery".
  - b. Encourage the placement of signs to explain who is buried in the Multnomah Park Cemetery and what their historic importance was to the community.
  - c. Develop a plan to restore Multnomah Park Cemetery.
  - d. Organize volunteers to work on preservation of Multnomah Park Cemetery.
2. Develop a portion of the BES property at 112th and Brookside Drive (NE corner) for a neighborhood park with a ballfield and picnic facilities.

## Section II

This section identifies those items that conflict with City policy and/or Metro or State goals, policies or guidelines. The appropriate policy is referenced for each item.

3. Request ODOT to complete a Metropolitan Area Corridor Study which evaluates the reconfiguration of exit and entrance ramps on Foster, and a new interchange at Holgate Boulevard & I-205.

*This is a regional issue which should be addressed as part of the regional transportation planning process. Neither the City nor the Oregon Department of Transportation will support implementation and may oppose the requested alteration to the Transportation system.*

# Appendices

## **Appendix A**

### **Key To Implementing Agencies**

<b>BA</b>	Business Associations or groups
<b>BES</b>	Bureau of Environmental Services
<b>BHCD</b>	Bureau of Housing and Community Development
<b>BOB</b>	Bureau of Buildings
<b>BOP</b>	Bureau of Planning
<b>CCC</b>	Clackamas Community College
<b>DEQ</b>	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
<b>FABA</b>	Foster Area Business Association
<b>FDC</b>	Founders Day Committee
<b>FOT</b>	Friends of Trees
<b>JCCC</b>	Johnson Creek Corridor Committee
<b>LHS</b>	Lents Historical Society
<b>LNA</b>	Lents Neighborhood Association
<b>Metro</b>	Metro (formerly Metropolitan Service District)
<b>MHCC</b>	Mount Hood Community College
<b>MC</b>	Multnomah County
<b>ODDA</b>	Oregon Downtown Development Association
<b>ODOT</b>	Oregon Department of Transportation
<b>ONA</b>	Office of Neighborhood Associations
<b>OSEBC</b>	Outer Southeast Business Coalition
<b>Parks</b>	Bureau of Park and Recreation
<b>PCC</b>	Portland Community College
<b>PDC</b>	Portland Development Commission
<b>PDOT</b>	Portland Department of Transportation
<b>PFB</b>	Portland Fire Bureau
<b>PHC</b>	Portland Housing Center
<b>PPB</b>	Portland Police Bureau
<b>PPS</b>	Portland Public Schools
<b>Pvt</b>	Private parties
<b>ROSE</b>	<u>Revitalize</u> <u>Outer</u> <u>South</u> <u>East</u> Community Development Corporation

<b>SEUL</b>	Southeast Uplift
<b>SOLV</b>	Stop Oregon Litter and Vandalism
<b>TM</b>	Tri-Met
<b>USFS</b>	United States Forest Service
<b>82ABA</b>	82nd Avenue Business Association



## **Appendix B Target List for BHCD Funding**

The Bureau of Housing and Community Development, in order to best allocate funding to eligible neighborhoods, has requested a list of priority items the Neighborhood Association desires. This list has been prepared to guide such expenditures by the Bureau of Housing and Community Development.

### **Action Items in Order of Priority**

1. Work with PDC to provide additional family wage paying jobs within the LNA for residents of LNA.
2. Evaluate the need for a precinct, police/community contact station in store fronts or other limited-facility form in the Lents neighborhood. Coordinate with the Portland Police Bureau, and possibly the County Sheriff to assist in this analysis and to establish appropriate actions to enhance public safety.
3. Continue to provide seed money as an incentive to assist in renovation which conforms with the Lents Station Plan (ROSE Plan). For instance develop vehicle parking on property identified in the plan.
4. Improve pedestrian and bike access from Brookside Drive to Harold on 111th.
5. Develop a portion of the BES property at 112th and Brookside Drive (NE corner) for a neighborhood park with a ballfield and picnic facilities.
6. Provide funds to provide equipment, on a one-time basis, for citizen patrols.
7. Pave unimproved streets and add sidewalks in areas where there are none, especially between Holgate and Powell on 92nd.
8. Implement Neighborhood Watch in designated areas. Provide information available from Southeast Uplift to residents of the neighborhood.
9. Provide neighborhood events aimed at improving the appearance of the neighborhood - cleanups for example.
10. Investigate the possibility of purchasing the last inholding property in Lents Park. When possible this property should be acquired.

## **Appendix C**

### **Target List for Other Funding**

Some items desired by the Lents Neighborhood cannot be funded through the Bureau of Housing and Community Development. Action Items on this list may be achieved through a variety of funding methods. It is a guide for the Lents Neighborhood Association.

#### **Action Items in Order of Priority**

1. Work with PDOT, ROSE and the Police to enhance the Lents Pedestrian District by placing curb extensions on:
  - the north side of Foster on the east side of the intersection with 92nd Avenue and
  - possibly for a mid-block connection between 92nd & I-205, roughly from the New Copper Penny front door to the off street parking behind the building on the north side of Foster, and to
  - realign the southbound off-ramp to Foster.
2. Request ODOT to complete a Metropolitan Area Corridor Study which evaluates the reconfiguration of exit and entrance ramps on Foster, and a new interchange at Holgate Boulevard & I-205.
3. Provide a seed grant to establish a Lents Historical Society.
4. Provide benches, wildflowers and trees for the transit waiting area at Foster-Woodstock and I-205.
5. Work with the City to fund a study to identify a practical permeable surface which may be used for streets and driveways in the Johnson Creek floodplain. Implement the results of this study as soon as possible.
6. Consider building a community center in Lents Park, complete with covered swimming pool.

## Appendix D Transportation Capital Improvement Projects in Lents

	Total Project Costs
<b>1995-1996</b>	
Lents (\$50,000 in '95-'96 to improve pedestrian environment, including sidewalks, improved crossings, signals, and other traffic calming)	\$400,000
<b>1997-1998</b> (depending on funding availability)	
SE 82nd (SE Schiller to SE Crystal Springs) (complete 82nd improvements: 4 lanes, 10' sidewalks, street trees, draining, lighting)	\$5,230,000
<b>1998-1999</b> (depending on funding availability)	
Powell Butte/Mt. Scott (urban standard improvement to accommodate new development; collectors under consideration include SE Flavel/Mt. Scott Blvd. - 82nd to 112th, SE Clatsop, SE 132nd)	\$25,387,000