

East Portland TIF Exploration – Joint Steering Committee and Working Groups
December 5, 2023

Summary Meeting Notes

1. Welcome from Commissioner Carmen Rubio
 - a. Commissioner Rubio provided welcoming remarks to members, shared appreciation for their effort and commitment, and set the context for our overall goal of this exploration.
2. Project team staff covered this [presentation](#), which included:
 - a. Context; Steering Committee and Working Groups: Roles & Responsibilities
 - b. Members were asked to introduce themselves and share what motivated them to participate in this effort.
 - c. East Portland TIF Exploration: Values, Vision and Goals, including:
 - i. Examples of community plans, visions, etc. which will be available for working groups to dig into as they begin their work
 - ii. Information on the Cully TIF district exploration and connection to key elements of the EPDX TIF exploration.
3. Members were given an [interactive exercise](#) to provide input on the following prompts:
 - a. When thinking about the process and outcomes of this project, what does success look like to you?
 - b. What kind of long-term impact would you like to see in Parkrose/Columbia Corridor?
 - c. What kind of long-term impact would you like to see East of I-205?
 - d. What kind of long-term impact would you like to see on/around 82nd Avenue?
4. General questions and comments included:
 - a. URA boundaries should be extended along Powell, which is getting \$100+ million investment from ODOT. Boundaries should include residential areas adjacent to corridors.
 - b. I'm curious about the values that undergird the TIF process. Where does restorative justice fit in to address past harms and how will that message be communicated out to communities?
 - i. *A reminder that our goal is to stabilize community and businesses so that they may stay in their neighborhoods and benefit from future investments.*
 - ii. Staff noted that restorative justice and values will be worked on in each working group, specifically in the drafting of the TIF plan/discussion of vision, values, and project lists – all of which are areas to unpack how to address past harms and prioritize investments.
 - c. Can we add walkability and green spaces to our goals? Mental health and wellness for all residents of all ages is so much greater when there is higher walkability.
 - i. These can be goals and/or included within the eligible projects list.