Jefferson County Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan

Meeting Notes

PRO Planning Steering Committee

Friday, October 24th, 2008, 12pm to 1:30pm

Jefferson County Public Works Office, Large Conference Room

Present: Richard Hull, David King, Phil Johnson, Liz Coker, Davis Steelquist, Bill Tennent

County comprehensive planning

Davis said he would plan on reading the County Comprehensive Plan chapters 6 and 12. The purpose is to make sure that the County Comp Plan and the PRO Plan stay in agreement.

Outreach program to 'organizations'

It was agreed that it is important to reach out to a variety of organizations, not just our partners. Examples include advocacy groups for affordable housing, property rights, tax fairness, public health, etc. Five outreach methods were discussed:

1. The public speaking circuit for chambers of commerce, service clubs, businesses, non-profits, agencies, etc. Takes about six weeks.
    a. Feedback form to hand out
    b. Ask who to include and how to include them
    c. 1/3 sheet – of information that we want the group to know

2. Policy level meeting. A shared meeting between elected officials at the local level: City, County, PUD, fire, library, school districts, etc. Also consider including the state and federal level such as DNR, Fish and Wildlife, and Olympic National Park. Run the meeting similar to the town meetings.

3. Forums for park and program providers. Multiple forums set up by themes: for example, arts and cultural, sports, youth leadership, after school, etc. Invite these groups to come and talk to the committee about their wishes, concerns, and ideas.

4. Constituents. The members of the PRO Planning Committee and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board can reach out individually and talk with the people in their area about the PRO Plan.

5. Hearing all voices: making phone calls or personal contacts with people we know will be concerned about the PRO Plan at a later date.

Survey

The discussion about the survey was postponed until the next meeting

Town Meetings

Logistics – a brief discussion about the locations and the logistics of the town meetings was held

Map with parks

New version – postponed until the next meeting

State methodology Postponed