Lincoln Heights Plan
WELCOME

Lincoln Heights District Center
Open House
September 30, 2015
Introductions

Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

South Hill Coalition

Studio Cascade

City of Spokane Planning & Development
Previous work in Lincoln Heights

- 1996 Plan
- 2001 City’s Comprehensive Plan
- Centers & Corridors: District Center land use designation
Previous work (continued)

• Mayor’s Institute on City Design, New Orleans March 2013
• November 2013 – Open House
• Walkability Audit, Spring 2014 - EWU student
• South Hill Coalition Plan 2014
• Urban Land Institute visit June 2015
District Center:

- To enhance the pedestrian environment, plazas, green space, or a civic green
- Higher density housing in and around the center.
- Pedestrian access between residential areas and the district center
- Link the center to downtown through transit, bikeways.

See 3.5 Description of Land Use Designations
Tonight’s Goals

Review Urban Land Institute Report
  Validate Issues
  Provide feedback and direction for further investigation

Final Product
  Master Plan/Action Plan
ULI Technical Assistance Panel Recommendations
City of Spokane - Lincoln Heights
Master Plan

Assess priorities
Identify action sites
Test options
Create action steps
1. Policy & Leadership Strategies

Rate the concepts: City or agency-led efforts

**“Mixing it up” with Seniors** (activate, include elders)

“Senior citizens, a potentially expanding market for many businesses, can be encouraged to get out, enjoy the neighborhood and spend money. For example, a liaison between a merchant’s association and a taxi cab company could encourage seniors to make trips to stores and other neighborhood attractions without adding substantially to traffic pressure.”

**Best Reasons For**: Low-cost way to engage important community resource

**Main Actors**: City, core facilities, landowners/developers, neighborhood, (potential) district association

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**Create a merchants’ and owners’ association**

“Through an association of retailers and property owners, neighborhood businesses can work together to develop and implement common marketing and promotion strategies for the district. This type of association could be politically powerful and effective in raising the value of all property within the district.”

**Best Reasons For**: Offers opportunity to advance a wide range of objectives, provides means for operations and management of district

**Main Actors**: City, developers/landowners, neighborhood

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**Create a parking management strategy**

“Lincoln Heights District Center is overparked, with expanses of unused and underused space that lend a feeling of neglect. A parking management strategy wherein owners allow for reciprocal parking would contribute toward reducing blacktop and allowing parking lots to be developed to a higher and better use.”

**Best Reasons For**: Low-cost means to improve walkability and apparent vitality; creates opportunities for redevelopment

**Main Actors**: City, developers/landowners, (potential) district association

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**Customize the code with incentives**

“The development code—including zoning and design guidelines—can be used to set appropriate standards for the Lincoln Heights Center. The “right” height for housing might be two-tiered, with an incentivized maximum at about 75 feet. Structured parking is likely to be unaffordable, but could be partially tucked under buildings where the topography creates opportunity.”

**Best Reasons For**: Low-cost way to spur the creation of housing.

**Main Actors**: City, neighborhood, (potential) district association
Issue: Can’t choose appropriate shoes
Proposal: Pay attention to wife
Paying attention to my wife’s shoe recommendations would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Policy/Leadership

Issue: Identity creation
Proposal: Streetscape design
Thinking long-term, a streetscape design strategy would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Policy/Leadership

Issue: Parking quantity/location
Proposal: Management program
In the long-term, a parking management strategy would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Vehicles

Issue: Speedy cars and trucks
Proposal: Slow traffic
In the long-term, a strategy to slow traffic would be valuable.

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Vehicles

Issue: 29th & Regal crowding

Proposal: Re-envision & design
Thinking long-term, an intersection design strategy would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Pedestrians

Issue: Unpleasant & inconvenient
Proposal: New ped/bike facilities
*In the long-term, a pedestrian/bike strategy would be valuable*

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Pedestrians

Issue: Connections too few

Proposal: Mid-block pathways
A strategy to improve connections would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Building Context

Issue: Edges are imposing

Proposal: Modest scale entries
In the long term, making entries welcoming would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Building Context

Issue: New development, new demand
Proposal: Increased housing intensity
In the long term, a strategy to increase housing would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Big Ideas

Issue: Relatively bland
Proposal: Celebrate gateways
A strategy to announce the district’s gateways would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Big Ideas

Issue: Lacking a slow, safe place
Proposal: Reconfigure 27th Ave
A strategy to make 27\textsuperscript{th} more ped/bike friendly would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree

![Bar chart showing percentages of agreement]

- Agree: 63%
- Somewhat agree: 16%
- Don’t know: 3%
- Somewhat disagree: 6%
- Disagree: 13%
Big Ideas

Issue: Lacking community social space
Proposal: Develop activity anchor(s)
A strategy to encourage social/civic activities would be valuable

A. Agree
B. Somewhat agree
C. Don’t know
D. Somewhat disagree
E. Disagree
Conversations/Comments

Policy/Leadership
Vehicles/streets
Pedestrians/Bikes
Building context
Big ideas
Next Steps

Assessment

Community studio (November)

All-day activity

Community workshop

Plan recommendations
Thank you!