

Comments Comprehensive Plan and EIS Open Houses, February 2006

February 9th, 2006 Open House

1. Would like to see Alternative 3 adopted. I understand that is not likely to happen but we would like to be able to divide my acre to smaller lots. Thank you.
2. NE 94th and 119th 40 acres are in the UGA now. For NE 244th east of 503 to 132nd Ave: Will it be released and when? When are your next public meetings? When will this new Urban Growth Boundary plan be in place or is that not possible to say right now?
3. Where are the parks and open space on these maps? Need parks and open space close-in especially as higher density development increases.
4. Two percent (2%) annual growth rate is too high.
5. Green-space buffer between cities? (for example, La Center and Ridgefield who are planning to build to the same road!!)
6. NE 50th Ave. – sight distance @ 123rd St.: Development isn't building ½-street (improvements).
7. Was Alternative 3 meant to scare people into accepting Alternative 2? No breaks between La Center and Ridgefield and between Ridgefield and Vancouver is poor planning – urban sprawl run amok.
8. How do majority of Clark County citizens benefit from redoing the boundaries vs. developers and people who want to sell to developers?
9. Critical areas are important for drinking water and storm water as well as habitat.
10. Functions of wetlands need to be considered all together (i.e. do not separate the functions with respect to storm water, drinking water and habitat).
11. It is sad to see the children playing in the streets of the projects with houses five feet apart and no green or parks or habitat.
12. Existing roads: NE 50th Ave. and NE 139th St. cannot support major commercial or mixed use at that intersection. Required improvements to NE 50th Ave. will be very expensive. New bridge over Salmon Creek will be expensive.
13. NE 50th and 139th -- 40 acres commercial should be changed to Residential (yellow). Need to maintain a transition from homes to commercial.
14. We agree NE 50th Ave. and 139th St. needs to be changed to low density residential (yellow).

February 23rd , 2006 Open House

1. Within the “Planned UGA” there is a need to plan for “open areas” to be left undeveloped and designated park areas interspersed among the housing developments.
2. Alternative 3 gives La Center a better opportunity to fulfill job needs. It also gives La Center a good backup opportunity to expand its job base should the casino be approved by the federal government.
3. Label the UGB’s with streets.
4. I want to be party of record on all proposed changes to the 2004 UGBs or UGAs.
5. My property lies within the square of land that is included in the Alternative 3 and originates at the corner of 175th St. and 50th Ave. and extends north and east. I had not responded to a questionnaire regarding interest and was not included positively in a list of interested persons released in the spring/summer of 2005. I am definitely interested in being included within the Growth Boundary, and feel this particular area should be included in Alternative 2 as well as Alternative 3 in future planning.
6. Please e-mail or regular mail both work for us. Please we have a plan that was adopted Jan of 2004 at a cost of more than \$3 million of taxpayer money. Let’s stick with that plan. It was a compromise at that time and it works for all parties. (Developers and Land owners) Let’s have smart development for our county and save our current level of livability. Thank you.
7. I would like to be a “party of record” for anything regarding the UGB. Make sure every meeting is held at a time when those of us who work can attend them. We, the taxpayers of Clark County, paid over \$3 million for the adopted 2004 plan, plus a tremendous amount of time and effort was put into studies for that plan. Stop irresponsible development now. Stick with the 2004 Plan. Make sure the infrastructure is in place to accommodate it first before you consider expanding that Plan. Stop placating the developers, stand up for the long time Clark County residents who support smart, controlled, sensible growth.
8. Light rail using existing tracks – Battle Ground to Portland.
9. We would like to get our 10 acres into the urban growth boundary. Parcel # 193319-000 (5 acres) and the one behind it (also 5 acres) because it is so close to I-5, I-205 the new Legacy Hospital and WSU Vancouver. Housing will be needed for students and personnel from these places. Utilities are close by new interchange going in at 219th St. and I-5.

Note: Comments were transcribed from comment sheets provided to open house attendees.