



Georgetown/South Park Advisory Group Kick-Off Meeting Summary Thursday December 5, 2019

Attendance

Name	Organization	Attending
Sam Farrazaino	Georgetown Safety Task Force/Georgetown Strong	Yes
Kevin Kelly	Recology	Yes
Johnny Bianchi	Industrial Space Seattle	Yes
Clint Berquist	Georgetown Community Council	Yes
Roger Bialous	Georgetown Brewing	Yes
Paulina Lopez	Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition	Yes
Maria Ramirez	Duwamish Valley Housing Coalition	No
Jon Holden	Machinists Union 751	Yes
Veronica Wade	South Seattle College	Yes
Karen Lee	Pioneer Human Services	No

Advisory Group Members' Feedback on Process

- Conflict between Comprehensive Plan policies and actual land use should be addressed
- The importance of Seattle Public Schools as a partner to the City for building a racially inclusive workforce is critical (pursue the Maritime High School!)
- The Industries located in Georgetown and South Park are amongst Seattle's most diverse industrial jobs.
- Need clearer definition around noise tolerances in the code
- We should focus on the issues where we can *agree*

Advisory Group Members' Top Issues/Opportunities for Interbay (by theme):

Topics of particular emphasis by the group are highlighted in yellow.

Neighborhood / Land Use

- Affordable workforce housing
- Informal housing (tent encampments and RVs) is in conflict with industrial uses
- Need more live/work opportunities for hybrid light industrial and residential
- Concern about perceived rising crime (theft; assault; vandalism and graffiti)

Transportation / Infrastructure

- Traffic safety
- Paved streets; sewer; better lighting

Jobs

- Pathways for training into Industrial Jobs
- Make education more affordable
- Gender equity in the industrial workforce
- Protect the displacement of industrial jobs from the South End



Environment

- Environmental Equity / Pollution Mitigation
- Environmental Enforcement and regulations
- Address the cumulative health impacts
- Sea Level rise; especially vulnerable due to proximity to river

Advisory Group Members' greatest fears for the Georgetown & South Park Industrial areas:

- Loss of affordability; Displacement
- Housing crowding out industrial jobs
- A workforce pathway/pipeline that is broken
- Residents are displaced
- Children become sicker due to environmental contamination
- Declining neighborhood vitality
- Loss of focus and investment on traditional industrial jobs
- Conversion of industrial land (loss of square footage)
- A mentality that is too rigid, black & white, and polarized to allow for collaborative interaction between workers and residents

