

Status Check

Seattle Citizens Assess Their Communities and Neighborhood Plans

Summary of the Lake City Neighborhood Discussion



Status Check: How is Your Neighborhood Doing?

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What is this report?

This report contains summaries prepared by members of the Seattle Planning Commission. These summaries document discussions co-facilitated by members of the Planning Commission and the Neighborhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) at a series of neighborhood meetings held in June and July of 2009.¹ The Commission and NPAC co-hosted five open house workshops that included 24 neighborhood specific breakout sessions.² In all, about 350 people participated in the five open house meetings.

The Commission was asked to provide a summary for each of the 24 neighborhood specific breakout sessions. The summaries will help City staff to complete the Status Reports and will be a part of the "State of the Neighborhood Report" that goes to the Mayor and Council at the end of the year.

The Commission and NPAC developed four questions so that we could gather information from the people who live, work, attend school and have businesses in the neighborhood to better understand perceptions about the neighborhoods and how well the neighborhood plan is doing. Participants at the meetings were grouped by neighborhood and asked these four questions by the NPAC co-host while the Commission co-host worked to capture the sentiments of the participants. Participants were also provided questionnaires that contained the same four questions and were encouraged to fill them out and return them to be included in the record. All of the original questionnaires returned from the open house workshops are contained in the appendix of this report.

Outreach and Interpretation

The City of Seattle's neighborhood planning team arranged for interpretation services to the communities often under-represented because of language barriers. Spanish interpretation was available at 14, Chinese interpretation was available at 4; Vietnamese interpretation was available at 6; and Tagalog interpretation was available at 3 of the neighborhood community discussions. Interpretation services were used at 4 of the neighborhood community discussions: Columbia City, Georgetown, Rainier Beach, and the West Seattle Junction.

Virtual Meeting

In an attempt to broaden participation, the Planning Commission also created and hosted a virtual on-line meeting from June through August. The virtual on-line meeting included a questionnaire that asked the same four questions that participants at the open houses were asked. The on-line questionnaire had a total of 4,576 participants. The Commission has provided a companion piece to this report that includes the responses to the on-line questionnaires for each of the 24 neighborhoods.

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1. The Seattle Planning Commission (SPC) was adopted into the City Charter in 1946. The Commission is an independent and objective group that advises the Mayor and City Council on Urban Planning issues such as land use, zoning, transportation and housing issues.
 2. The Neighborhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) was formed in 2008. NPAC is a committee of Seattle residents and business-people that advises the Department of Neighborhoods and the Department of Planning and Development on conducting the neighborhood updates and neighborhood status reports.

What is included in this report?

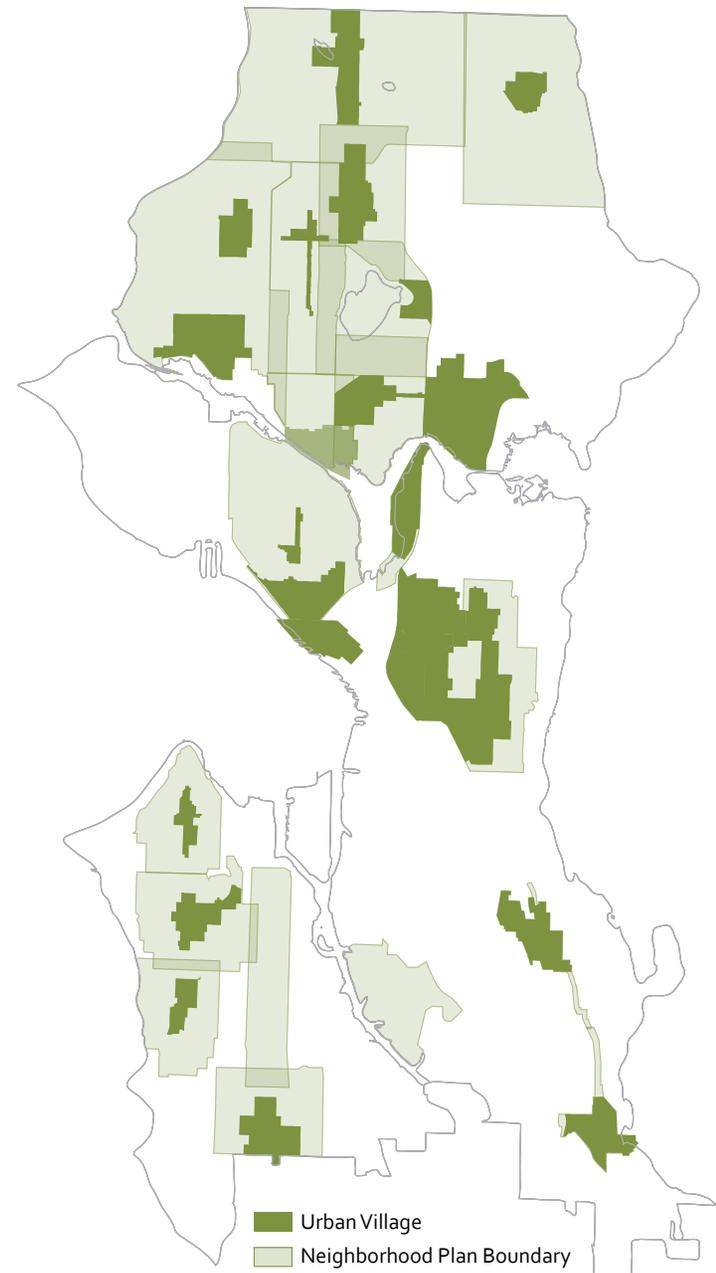
Summary of one of 24 neighborhood discussions held in June and July 2009

Admiral	Georgetown
Aurora/Licton Springs	Green Lake
Belltown	Greenwood/Phinney Ridge
Broadview/Bitter Lake/Haller Lake	Lake City
Capitol Hill	Morgan Junction
Central Area	Pike/Pine
Columbia City /Hillman City/Genesee	Queen Anne
Crown Hill & Ballard	Rainier Beach
Delridge	University Community
Eastlake	Wallingford
First Hill	West Seattle Junction
Fremont	Westwood/Highland Park

Appendix A – Sample agenda

Appendix B – List of attendees from five open house meetings

Appendix C – Notes and questionnaires submitted at meetings



LAKE CITY

General Summary

Attendance at the neighborhood discussion ranged from 12 to 16 participants excluding the facilitators. The majority of the participants were residents who have lived in the Lake City neighborhood for more than 10 years. Some participants live in Maple Leaf but have visited Lake City for shopping and general services for more than 10 years. A few residents are new to the neighborhood (less than five years). There were a couple of business owners but the majority of the participants were residents.

Highlights

- As the number of automobiles increased with growth, the number of transportation choices and service has not increased in the neighborhood. There is also a lack of infrastructure facilities needed for alternate modes of transportation including sidewalks and designated bike lanes.
- The neighborhood has lost opportunities for mixed use, density and below grade parking in the urban village. The character of the neighborhood has been compromised with the development of "big box" multifamily projects.
- The neighborhood has seen a positive increase in civic facilities and social services. There needs to be a major emphasis on reducing crime to make Lake City a safe neighborhood.
- Lake City is a diverse multi cultural community who values their core civic facilities, social services and community spirit. Lake City remains an auto dominant neighborhood. Bus service doesn't reach all the areas and pedestrian facilities are limited and disconnected.
- It lacks character and destination qualities and is perceived as unsafe.
- They will continue to work to change these attributes.



1. Most of the neighborhood plans were adopted about 10 years ago and are in their mid-life. How has your neighborhood changed in the last decade since the plan was adopted, (or since you've been there)?

- Increased number of automobiles.
- Limited local bus services south of 95th only commuter buses.
- Limited east – west bus service.
- Commuter bus routes are limited and should be available to the entire neighborhood.
- People use the neighborhood as a park and ride when using the commuter buses.
- There are more condos with limited number of grocery stores. Maple Leaf residents have to drive to Lake City. Each neighborhood should have basic convenience stores i.e. bakery, drug and grocery.
- Sidewalks do not connect to schools or services. In some cases they are only provided on one side of the street.
- Parking in the urban village needs to be below grade to eliminate the surface lots.
- The park system is underdeveloped.
- The neighborhood lost an opportunity when Bartell's developed. There should be greater density, mixed use and parking incorporated into the development vs the surface parking that exists today.
- The street infrastructure lacks curbs and definition therefore parking is undefined.
- SPU and SDOT have implemented great low impact innovative storm drainage solutions.
- Consider adding light rail to this neighborhood eliminating the need to drive to Northgate.
- Big box apartments have been developed.

2. What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you most pleased about?

- There is good bus service to the University of Washington.
- Pleased with the new location of the farmers market.
- There is potential if the car lot uses are changed.
- Pleased with the Lake City Waystreet improvements.
- Pleased with the neighborhood WATCH PROGRAM.
- The sidewalks that exist are great.
- Pleased with the civic core Service Center and Library.
- Please with the demographics of the neighborhood. Twenty seven languages are spoken at Sacajawea School.
- Block parties have built 'community' spirit.
- Pleased with improvements to parks including the new playground.
- Community services have increased in the past 10 years-veteran Housing, food bank, senior housing and low income housing.

Most dissatisfied about?

- ACCESS bus service is being reduced.
- New developments need to provide more off-street parking to eliminate spill over parking into the residential areas.
- Gun shots can be heard during the day along with assaults.
- Disappointed with the lack of enforcement by DPD and the city when trees are cut illegally, lots that become dumping grounds and street people living in vacant buildings.
- The neighborhood needs a tree ordinance.
- There needs to be better enforcement for graffiti.
- Lake City lost their community officer and crime is moving from Aurora to Lake City.
- Trees in the ROW that are hit by cars don't get replaced.
- There is inadequate enforcement of 'Green Infrastructure.'
- Four and six pack housing types are a 'nuisance.'
- The increased density is causing homes to be flooded since Thorton Creek can't absorb the run off.

3. How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved? Are they still the priority?

- Still a priority to protect the residential neighborhoods.
- Still a priority to add Transit Oriented Development to the mix.
- Need to eliminate 'cut through' traffic.
- The Design Review Board needs to use the neighborhood plan to execute development.
- The neighborhood needs to work better with SDOT to get additional pedestrian facilities including more crossings on Lake City Way.
- Bike lanes need to be designated on arterials. They were not included on Lake City Way and should be.
- The urban village needs to include activities for young low income families and recreation for youth.
- The neighborhood has not achieved crime reduction as listed in the vision statement.
- The plan needs an urban village vision.
- The urban village is not self sufficient since small retail is disappearing.
- The vision needs to attract good design. The burden of good design should not be the sole responsibility of the Design Review Board.

4. The city is completing neighborhood plan status reports focusing on demographics, development patterns, housing affordability, public amenities and transportation networks. What should there be more focus on (or less focus on) as the neighborhood status reports are completed in the coming months? Are there any important gaps in the draft status report?

- The neighborhood needs a better social system including schools.
- Need to combat increased crime and gang activity.
- Need recreational opportunities and social services.
- The infrastructure needs to be in place for a 'safe place.' There is a perception that Lake City is not safe.
- Look at the character of the transportation arterials. Need medians with street trees.
- The character of the neighborhood needs to be revitalized so that it feels like a 'destination.'
- Lake City needs cultural community events to bring people together.
- Need a central gathering area, plaza and community garden.
- Lake City needs its own downtown it is too far from downtown Seattle.
- Lake City needs an 'attraction' other than car lots.
- Look at shared parking opportunities with day uses.
- Look at ways to move away from developing additional parking by improving transit opportunities.
- There should be focus on a park and ride facility.

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Five Open Houses, 24 neighborhood discussions

1. June 22 at the South lake Union Armory; Uptown/ Queen Anne; Belltown; Eastlake; Capitol Hill; First Hill; Pike/Pine
2. July 8 Northgate Community Center Lake City, Aurora/Licton Springs, Broadview - Bitter Lake - Haller Lake, University Community (University District NW, Ravenna)
3. July 23 Phinney Neighborhood Center Greenwood/Phinney Ridge, Crown Hill & Ballard, Fremont, Wallingford, Green Lake
4. July 27 Rainier Community Center Central Area (Madison-Miller, 23rd & Union - Jackson and 12th Avenue), Columbia City - Hillman City - Genesee, Rainier Beach
5. July 28 Delridge Community Center Admiral, West Seattle Junction, Morgan Junction, Delridge, Westwood/Highland Park, Georgetown

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Neighborhood	Planning Commission Host	NPAC Member Host
Admiral	Catherine Benotto	Mark Wainwright
Aurora/Licton Springs	Michelle Zeidman	Sharonn Meeks (Mark Wainwright unable to attend)
Belltown	Kay Knapton	Catherine Stanford
Broadview/Bitter Lake/Haller Lake	Linda Amato	Craig Benjamin
Capitol Hill	David Cutler	Heidi Oien
Central Area	Mark Johnson	Kate Stineback (Adrienne Bailey did not attend)
Crown Hill & Ballard	Leslie Miller	Ashley Harris
Columbia City/Hillman City/Genesee	Leslie Miller	Linda Amato of the SPC (Eddie Hill unable to attend)
Delridge	Chris Persons	Boaz Ashkenazy
Eastlake	Martin Kaplan	Brian Ramey
First Hill	Kevin McDonald	Sharonn Meeks
Fremont	Chris Fiori	Toby Thaler
Georgetown	Amalia Leighton	Judith Edwards
Green Lake	Jerry Finrow	Kate Joncas
Greenwood/Phinney Ridge	Linda Amato	Kate Stineback
Lake City	Colie Hough-Beck	Renee Staton
Morgan Junction	Jerry Finrow	Cindi Barker
Pike/Pine	Josh Brower	Dennis Saxman
Queen Anne	Matt Roewe	John Coney
Rainier Beach	Chris Persons	Christie Coxley
University Community	Mark Johnson	Jeannie Hale
Wallingford	Amalia Leighton	Irene Wall
West Seattle Junction	Kay Knapton	Sharon Meeks
Westwood/Highland Park	Kevin McDonald	Christie Coxley

Neighborhood Open House

June 22, 2009 - 6:00 – 8:00 pm

South Lake Union Armory – 860 Terry Ave. N.

Hosted by the Seattle Planning Commission & Neighborhood Planning Advisory Committee Agenda

1. Opening Session – 20 minutes

Introduction & Welcome – Josh Brower, NPAC Co-Chair

Opening Remarks – Councilmember Sally Clark

Orientation Video

2. Six (6) Neighborhood Breakout Sessions – 75 minutes

Breakout sessions for Queen Anne, Belltown, Eastlake, Capitol Hill, First Hill, Pike/Pine

Presentation by SPC table host (5-7 minutes)

- Goals of the breakout session
- Presentation of background information on neighborhood plan and status update
- How to provide input (discussion, written questionnaire, easel pad, on-line questionnaire)
- Additional resources available

Facilitated discussion of question led by NPAC table host

1. Most of the neighborhood plans were adopted about 10 years ago and are in their mid-life. How has your neighborhood changed in the last decade since the plan was adopted, (or since you've been there)?
2. What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you most pleased about? Most dissatisfied about?
3. How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved? Are they still the priority?
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3. Closing Remarks and Next Steps – 5 minutes

Closing Remarks & Next Steps – Josh Brower, NPAC Co-Chair

Appendix B – List of attendees from five open house meetings

Tim Ahlers	Kara Ceriello	Patty Foley	Jim Jensen	Phil Mocek
Joy Anderson	Jose Cervantes	Nancy Folsom	Dale Johnson	Rob Mohn
Jennifer Anderson	Gordon Clowers	Becca Fona	Blair Johnson	Dave Montoure
Aurora Anunicacion	Clarice Coker	Tony Fragada	Matt Johnston	Jesse Moore
Katheryn Armstrong	Rene Commons	Eric Friedli	Giff Jones	Patti Muller
Jill Arnow	John Coney	Bill Fuzekas	Mary Jones	Lisa Muller
Boaz Ashkenazy	Colleen Cooke	Dennis Galvin	Roger Jones	Dan Mullins
Joanne Auterjung	Dorene Cornel	Herbert Getchell	Alan Justad	Mars Mure
Maris Avots	Michael Cornell	Lucille Getchell	Laura Kalleb	Jessica Nguyen
Emi Baldwin	George Counts	Joseph Gockowski	Erica Karlovits	Tri Nguyen
John Barbee	Stuart Crandall	Daniel Goddard	Elias Kass	Hong Nguyen
Scott Barkan	Sally Crone	John Golobiec	Narom Khath	Dan Nolte
Tod Barker	Web Crowell	Kirsten Graham	Phoeun Khim	Richard Nordstrom
Deb Barker	Michael Cuadra	Lynn Graves	Melanee King	John Nuler
Catherine Barker	Mike Dady	Matt Gray	Wesley Kirkman	Karen O'Brien
Rick Barrett	MJ Davidson	Elizabeth Guenara	Cheryl Klinker	Jeannie O'Brien
Zander Batchelder	Susan Davis	Justina Guyott	Chris Knapp	Dara O'Bryne
Vicki Baucom	DeEtte Day	Julia Hadley	Kay Knapton	Susan O'Connell
Ellen Beck	Christo de Klerk	Jeannie Hale	Amber Knox	Kristy O'Donnell
Craig Benjamin	William Decherd	Craig Hanway	Sam Knoz	Pennie O'Grady
Cory Bergman	Jim Del Cielo	Susan Harmon	Sybil Knudson	Sokunthea OK
Jane Bigby	Jon deLeeves	Kathy Harper	Karen Ko	Kenneth Olsen
Derek Birnie	Rory Denovan	Michael harthorne	Diane Kremingk	Vlad Oustimoritch
John Bito	Donn Devore	Ralph Heitt	Tom Lee	Chris Pasco
Allina Black	Brian Dougherty	Tom Henry	Dorothy Lengye	Betty Pata
Neel Blair	Lloyd Douglas	Eva Hermesmyer	Jeff Libby	Nina Pata
Mark Bloudek	Nancy Driver	Hai Hoffman	Ref Lindmark	Bert Patrick
Anna Bowers	Chanta Dumas	Dick Hogan	Peter Locke	Jeffrey Pelletier
Dave Boyd	Christa Dumpys	Charles Hogg	Julie Lubre	Andrea Petzel
Sheila Brown	Shannon Dunn	K Beth Hollingsworth	Wendy Luker	Beth Pflug
Jan Brucker	Tim Durkan	Raft Hollingsworth	Andrew M	Boyd Pickerell
Susie Burke	Ruth Dyksterhais	John Hoole	Matt Ma	Erik Pihl
Janice Burnell	Sherell Ehlers	Bert Hopkins	Glenn MacGilvra	Jeff Pittman
Gloria Butts	David Ellinger	Ron Hornuns	John Magnenat	Ed Pottharst
Priscilla Call	Julie Enevoldsen	Megan Horst	Mike Mariano	Jen Power
Pablo Cambinico	John Enger	Serin Houpton	Velma Maye	Tim Pretare
Leon Capelo	Alicia Fadul	Ryan Hughes	Vivian McLean	Susie Prets
Kevin Carrabine	David Fansler	Wendy Jans	Douglas McNutt	Mary Quackenbush
Eudora Lowery Carter	Abdy Farid	Joan Jeffery	Sandra Melo	Brian Ramey
Susan Casey	Bill Farmer	Sarah Jenkes	Susan Melrose	Craig Rankin
Chris Caster	Andrea Faste	Susan Jensen	Richard Min	Jordan Rash

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Matt Rehder
Mike Reinhardt
Diane & Bob Rhea
Marjorie Rhodes
Scott Ringgold
Amelia River
Kirk Robbins
Joan Robbins
Delight Roberts
Lee Roberts
Ray Robinson
Donna Roseveark
Dennis Ross
Jon Rudical
Dennis Saxman
Sue Scharff
Dena Schule
Shirley Schurman
Deanise Schwarz
Sharon Scully
Rita Selin
Dic Selin
Philip Shach
Sarah Shoup
Sam Simone
Steve Sindiong
Susan Sisson
Cindy Small
Tamra Smilanich
Marty Spiegel
Catherine Stanford
Catherine Stengord
Kate Stineburk
Ruth Stinton
Conan Storlie
Mike Stringer
Adam Strutynski
Christine Stuffels
Jean Sundrorg
Jeff Taylor
Nicole Taylor

Tony To
Viet Tran
Alexandra Tu
Ron Turner
Cathy Tuttle
Sarah Valenta
Diana Vergis Vinh
Jessica Vets
Roger Wagoner
Forrest Wald
Irene Wall
William Walsh
Ed Wecloires
Stuart Weiss
Catherine Wentbrook
Al Werner
Julien Wheeler
Patty Whisler
Scott White
Mary Whitmore
Stephen Whitmore
Thomas Whittemore
Adrienne Wicks
Kraig Wilhelmsin
Adrian Wilkenson
Vivian Williams
Terry Williams
Betty Williams
Laura Wing-Whitebear
Greg Winterstea
Laura Wong-Whitebear
Mikala Woodward
Jason Woycke
Sara Wysocki

question one:

LAKE CITY
7-8-09

Colie Hough - (1)
Beck spc

- why do we have so many cars?
- S. of 95th no buses - only commuter (300 312) buses
- people park in neighborhood & ride buses (Commuter buses)
- pulling out of side st's. onto 15th dangerous
- Express buses should be available in all neighborhoods
- NO E ↔ W buses (directional)
- more condos in L.C. not stores grocery in maple leaf need to drive a car to get to grocery store "Fred Meyer".
- Each neighborhood should have conveniences ie bakery, grocery store, drug store. etc.

'15th & 127th (Line) cut from 127th & 125th to 15th. Ped. safety compromised - ~~no~~

14th Ave NE bet. 127 & 125th (no sidewalks) school zone, residential.

- since 2002 cut through traffic has increased
- car drivers are yelling @ peds. & vice versa.

- new sw along lake city - all great improvements however there are few opp. for people to walk there from surrounding res. areas. Lack of sidewalks in planning area.
- missed a development opp. where Bartell's is - not urban dense enough - should not have been surface parking - should have been mixed-use. Huge step backwards.

• no sidewalks, bet. 125th & 117th
not safe - more buildings, more congestion,
more people,

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• quality of streets, infrastructure -
lacks curbs inadequate street surfacing,
definition of "yards" adj. to street.

• lack of sidewalks in Meadow Brook
neighborhood.

• cut through traffic on 105th & exceed speed
limit.
• not adequate transit, causing
more cars. in entire area
with limited hours.

• Developers are not required to provide
adequate on-site parking cars into neigh.
Sts. to park.

• 130th - sidewalks only on 1 side

• 130th & 30th 4 way stop. with sidewalk
causes back up narrow street.

• positive - Farmers Market - Park & Library

• good to build S.W. to schools

• increase of density in hub - however
lack of parking -

• parking in hub needs to be below grade.

• Parks sys. underdeveloped

• Fire Sta. replacing park site.

• number walking all over - unimproved

- address connecting to light rail to eliminate "driving to Northgate"
- positive = SPU & Soot innovative storm drainage solutions.
- Low-impact solutions are good
- make it a greener community

QUESTION #2

- pleased: POSITIVE
- good bus services to UW
 - SW that are in are great
 - If you want a S.W. adj. to your prop. you pay for it.
 - pleased with civic cone area that the plan has accomplished. *1 3
 - relocation of Farmers Market since it required several mem. participation *2
 - Has potential - if asphalt & car dealerships are charged use
 - Lake City way has been improved.
 - Likes "Neighborhood Watch" program
 - likes shift in demographics 27
 - languages spoken @ Sacajawa sch.
 - More community spirit block parties
 - Improvements in parks include playground new plantings
 - People work together on issues.
 - "Love your neighbor"

- (4)
- 10 years ago no services or programs.

veteran housing, food bank,
Senior housing (good improvements)

- what is the future of the Pierre property?

- St. improvements on Lake City was the great improvements.

Service Center & library (good)

MOST DISAPPOINTED

- that they are cutting Access BUS Service
- Dev. need to provide more off-st. parking
- number of gun shoots heard.
- assaults during mid-day
- lack of enforcement codes by DPD
ie. illegal cutting trees. "No consequences"
- Need a tree ordinance on residential property
single family
- DPD has not vagrants living in vacant buildings, or private prop. clean up graffiti.
- illegal dumping on commercial property - no city enforcement to clean it up.
- Trees along 2st & 35th when cars hit trees

they are not replanted. Trees should be replanted. Request by DPP

- Inadequate enforcement of green infrastructure.
- 4 to 6 pack's are a "nuisance"
- 180 homes were flooded - due to increased density - Thornton Creek can't absorb storm run-off. Meadow Brook
- Property owners don't keep up these yards.

QUESTION THREE

- still a priority to protect res. neigh.
- getting TOD
- eliminate cut through traffic
- DOT not responsive to calls re: cut through traffic
- 2 arterials 145 - LCW divider the community
- DRB need to use neighborhood plan to execute Dev. to support the plan.
- ped traffic is disconnected.
- would like a LID to bridge neighborhoods.
- SBOT is anti-pedestrian. Neighborhood asked for more crossings @ L.C.W. to bus stop. didn't get them all.

- Soot not cooperative re: ped. safety & improvements.
- Bikes are not welcome on L.C.W. no designated lanes.
- Bikes need to be on other arterials than L.C.W. (35th)
- need bike routes & good signage mileare & distance.
- 30th & 35th are cut throughs, they need to be multi-modal. encourage use of bicycles.
- 125th turns into Sandpoint Way - Needs bike facilities to parks & trail.
- Redevelop L.C.W CC into mixed use include housing - include youth & recreation. L.C.C.C needs to provide for youth. There are more young families & low income. need a recreational outlet.
- Facilities need safe ped. access to library, meadow brook Cedar park.
- question - are the priorities still appropriate.
 - ↓ People need to get control & need to be heard.
- Have not achieved crime reduction in the vision statement. *

- we don't have a vision or an urban village.
- Queen's portal is being eroded way with housing dev. 125th & L.C.W
- Urban village is not self sufficient
Small retail is disappearing
- Re-planning needs more stakeholders
Need to have a vision to attract great dev. & DRB shouldn't be police. the group for salvage had design. Vision needs to attract good design.
- L.C.W had a good vision but it wasn't supported by city.
ie. Bartells went in w/o housing that was supported by plan.
- Hub was to have a central parking garage - city let it go when development plans were presented.

QUESTION FOUR

- Needs to be a better social system - ie schools.
- increase in crime, gang activities
- needs rec. opp. social services

- Infrastructure needs to be in place for a "safe place" &
- there is a perception* that L.C. is not safe.
- need a presence of enforcement
Need crime data. - how has it changed - how does L.C. compare to crime in other neighborhoods?
- Look hard at transportation character of arterials - medians w/ queues.
- Revitalize the "Character" of the neighborhood. Feel like a * "destination"
- L.C.W needs a culture
Community events to bring people together.
Need a central gathering area
- Was the Chamber of Commerce invited to this meeting.?
- L.C. is an EXIT for Seattle.
- L.C. needs it's own D.T. too far from Seattle.

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- L.C. needs an "attraction" to be a destination. "Beyond car lots"
- Focus on strengthening design guidelines to protect S.F. neighborhoods.
- Urban Hub housing - parking demand spills into neighborhood.
- look at shared parking opportunities for bay/ us eve. uses.
- look for ways to move away from ~~the~~ needing parking by improving transit.

Status Check: How is Your Neighborhood Doing?

Please provide the following information and attach additional sheets if necessary.

Which neighborhood are you commenting on? Lake City

For how long have you...

less than 5 years 5-10 years more than 10 years does not apply

Name: _____

lived in this neighborhood? less than 5 years 5-10 years more than 10 years does not apply

owned a business in this neighborhood? less than 5 years 5-10 years more than 10 years does not apply

regularly visited this neighborhood? less than 5 years 5-10 years more than 10 years does not apply

worked in this neighborhood? less than 5 years 5-10 years more than 10 years does not apply

attended school in this neighborhood? less than 5 years 5-10 years more than 10 years does not apply

other (please describe) less than 5 years 5-10 years more than 10 years does not apply

born in Seattle & grew up in Maple Leaf

Email Address: _____

Question 1

Most of the neighborhood plans were adopted about 10 years ago and are in their mid-life. How has your neighborhood changed in the last decade since the plan was adopted (or since you've been there)?

When I was growing up in Maple Leaf we had some small stores now we have none. No grocery store in all of Maple Leaf no bank, no post-office, no library - nothing. no east-west bus-service. People in Maple Leaf are car-dependent. This is not good! Maple Leaf is in between U-Dist, Wedgwood, Lake City, Northgate & Roosevelt, but these are all beyond walking distance for shopping & most biz.

Question 2

What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you...

most pleased about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety - transportation
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) _____

most dissatisfied about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety transportation safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) too many cars
too many parked cars

Do you have any comments related to what you are pleased or dissatisfied about?

my neighbors & I shop at Lake City Fred Meyer because Maple Leaf has no grocery store.
There are too many cars in the neighborhood because bus riders use Maple Leaf as a park-and-ride for the morning express buses on 15th ^{AVENUE} & on Lake City (now).

Question 3

How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved?

- very well
- somewhat well
- somewhat poorly
- very poorly
- don't know/neutral

please describe

Are they still the priority?

- yes, very much so
- some priorities have changed, some haven't
- no, not at all
- don't know/neutral

please describe

not really sure, but our community council is wonderful. The people in Maple Leaf are wonderful. But we've spent 3 yrs trying to save a grove of trees & should not have had to struggle so hard to control our own neighborhood.

Question 4

The City is completing neighborhood plan status reports focusing on demographics, development patterns, housing affordability, public amenities and transportation networks.

What should there be more focus on (or less focus on) as the neighborhood status reports are completed in the coming months?

There should be more focus on...

bus-service & stores we can walk to.

There should be less focus on...

Are there any important gaps in the draft status reports?

- No
- Yes (please describe)

The city isn't really trying to get people out of cars, or is going about it the wrong way. Urban Villages don't really solve this problem. Every neighborhood needs basic amenities. People must stop being car dependent!

Please return this questionnaire by **Wednesday, July 22, 2009** to:

The Seattle Planning Commission
700 5th Avenue, Suite 2000
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

You can also fill out the questionnaire on-line at:
http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Planning/Neighborhood_Planning/StatusReports/default.asp

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For how long have you...	less than 5 years	5-10 years	more than 10 years	does not apply
lived in this neighborhood?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
owned a business in this neighborhood?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
regularly visited this neighborhood?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
worked in this neighborhood?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
attended school in this neighborhood?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
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Question 1

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- BIG BOX APARTMENTS
- PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS ALONG MAJOR ROADS - BUT NOT NEIGHB STREETS TO GET TO CORE AREA
- NOT JUST LAND USE PLAN - CONSIDER SOCIAL NEEDS
 - IMPROVE EDUCATION AT LOCAL SCHOOLS
 - FOCUS ON AVOIDING GANGS AND JUVENILE JUSTICE PROBLEMS

Question 2

What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you...

most pleased about?

- transportation
- housing — New SENIOR & LOW INCOME HOUSING
- safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify)

most dissatisfied about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify)

Do you have any comments related to what you are pleased or dissatisfied about?

- CIVIC CORE IS NICE
- LAKE CITY WAY IMPROVEMENTS GOOD
- DIVERSITY IN NEIGHB IS GOOD
- COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- ~~PEDESTRIAN~~ ISUALLY NOT PLEASING, NOT AS PEDESTRIAN FRIENDLY AS SHOULD BE
- BARTSELL'S SITE LOST OPPORTUNITY

Question 3

How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved?

- very well
- somewhat well
- somewhat poorly
- very poorly
- don't know/neutral

please describe

Are they still the priority?

- yes, very much so
- some priorities have changed, some haven't
- no, not at all
- don't know/neutral

please describe

- Need to focus more on pedestrian and transportation and urban design - need to remain diligent
- Need to focus more on social safety issues, crime

Question 4

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What should there be more focus on (or less focus on) as the neighborhood status reports are completed in the coming months?

There should be more focus on...

- crime, safety, social
- crime
- FOCUS ON CACE CITY L.C. AS A REAL COMMUNITY CENTER

There should be less focus on...

Are there any important gaps in the draft status reports?

- No
- Yes (please describe)

- How are we doing on crime, gangs, education
- What is status of public schools

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Which neighborhood are you commenting on? North Lincoln

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Question 1

Most of the neighborhood plans were adopted about 10 years ago and are in their mid-life. How has your neighborhood changed in the last decade since the plan was adopted (or since you've been there)?

one thing that doesn't change - no sidewalks

Question 2

What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you...

most pleased about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) _____

most dissatisfied about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) _____

Do you have any comments related to what you are pleased or dissatisfied about?

Question 3

How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved?

- very well
- somewhat well
- somewhat poorly
- very poorly
- don't know/neutral

please describe

Are they still the priority?

- yes, very much so
- some priorities have changed, some haven't
- no, not at all
- don't know/neutral

please describe

Question 4

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What should there be more focus on (or less focus on) as the neighborhood status reports are completed in the coming months?

There should be more focus on...

the safety on the roads

There should be less focus on...

Development

Are there any important gaps in the draft status reports?

- No
- Yes (*please describe*)

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Which neighborhood are you commenting on? Lake City

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call if you cannot read my tiny writing.

Question 1

Most of the neighborhood plans were adopted about 10 years ago and are in their mid-life. How has your neighborhood changed in the last decade since the plan was adopted (or since you've been there)?

Some areas have improved and become denser. Other areas have declined.

Question 2

What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you...

most pleased about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) Civic Core

most dissatisfied about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) pedestrian safety

Do you have any comments related to what you are pleased or dissatisfied about? lack of sidewalks or safe places for pedestrians to walk.
(see other side)

Question 3

How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved?

- very well
- somewhat well
- somewhat poorly
- very poorly
- don't know/neutral

please describe

Apologies -
I forgot to leave
this with you July 8
when I had to leave
for emergency. Now
reading it - does not
make sense. I might
retype!

Are they still the priority?

- yes, very much so ^{some} but on maintenance!
- some priorities have changed, some haven't
- no, not at all
- don't know/neutral

please describe

Got multimodal improvements for SR522, but still some poor bus service areas and no monorail. Got some sidewalks, but some got torn out; other areas waiting 4 yrs or more!
Got services for low income and finally some housing, but still have homeless issues.

Lighting, New development, density, sidewalks have improved safety but lost community officer and have only 1 to 2 police for whole area. Crime moving from Aurora to Lk City.
Park improved in Lk City but more paved over than desired. Albert Davis parks much better.
Natural areas encroached on at Homewood but wooded wetland restored. Need open space on 33rd. Need natural system sidewalk systems to deal with runoff. Need open space by fire station.
Business District getting rebuilt but lg corporate box retail pushes out the small businesses.

Question 4

but still no central gathering plaza, and community garden.
The City is completing neighborhood plan status reports focusing on demographics, development patterns, housing affordability, public amenities and transportation networks.

Got some mid-block passages but City let Bartell's off the hook, other segments waiting for redevelopment. Need crosswalks (30th, 125th & other areas).
What should there be more focus on (or less focus on) as the neighborhood status reports are completed in the coming months? Design Review never results in nice looking buildings for Lk City.
Never get designated bike lanes on 34th & 35th.

There should be more focus on...

There should be less focus on...

- Pedestrian safety and integration of green spaces, which don't have to be parks!
- Need an updated, upgraded community center with real programs for youth and seniors.

New Large box retail development; and strange, subdivisions that allow over density in SFR neighborhood areas.

Are there any important gaps in the draft status reports? Will have to look -

- No
- Yes (please describe) • Immigrant character of Lk City & celebrate our diversity.

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Which neighborhood are you commenting on? LAKE CITY

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other (please describe)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Run a community Blog
LAKECITYLIVE.NET

Question 1

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- ⊙ New crosswalk signs on lake city way around 125th
- ⊙ Lake city library park remodel
- ⊙ Increase # of condos
- ⊙ Bartel remodel on 125th (good + bad)

Question 2

What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you...

most pleased about?	most dissatisfied about?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation (buses to uw)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation (bus from 130th to 95th on lake city way)
<input type="checkbox"/> housing	<input type="checkbox"/> housing
<input type="checkbox"/> safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> safety See Below
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> parks and open space (library + Farmers market)	<input type="checkbox"/> parks and open space
<input type="checkbox"/> public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)	<input type="checkbox"/> public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
<input type="checkbox"/> business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)	<input type="checkbox"/> business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
<input type="checkbox"/> buildings - new and existing	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings - new and existing
<input type="checkbox"/> other (please specify) _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (please specify) lack of sidewalks

Do you have any comments related to what you are pleased or dissatisfied about?

- ⊙ mid day robberies @ bus stops
- ⊙ gun shots
- ⊙ side walk @ 130th + 95th creates a traffic problem for 4-way stop with parked cars
- ⊙ NEED Bike path down lake city way!
- ⊙ need a bus from 130th to 95th on lake city way (express buses) ... don't stop

Question 3

How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved?

- very well
- somewhat well
- somewhat poorly
- very poorly
- don't know/neutral

please describe

- ① Civic Core Revitalization being accomplished
- ② Sidewalks + bike paths/Route signs not happening
- ③ increase in crime

Are they still the priority?

- yes, very much so
- some priorities have changed, some haven't
- no, not at all
- don't know/neutral

please describe

Question 4

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What should there be more focus on (or less focus on) as the neighborhood status reports are completed in the coming months?

There should be more focus on...

- ① crime
- ② community center
- ③ park + ride
- ④ bike routes + paths
- ⑤ Sidewalks + walkability

Are there any important gaps in the draft status reports?

- No
- Yes (please describe)

There should be less focus on...

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Which neighborhood are you commenting on? Lake City - Pinehurst

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Question 1

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CUT THROUGH TRAFFIC ON 14TH AVE NE Between 127TH & 125TH Streets has increased tremendously. Pedestrian safety is being compromised. Street Quality is no more than a gravel road covered with tar - No curbs or sidewalks.

Question 2

What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you...

most pleased about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) _____

most dissatisfied about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety
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- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) _____

Do you have any comments related to what you are pleased or dissatisfied about?

Newer playgrounds & facilities for families - great neighbors

increased traffic - population density increase, townhomes are squeezing out single family homes -

Question 3

How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved?

- very well
- somewhat well
- somewhat poorly
- very poorly
- don't know/neutral

please describe

SDOT is NOT ON BOARD WITH Reducing cut through traffic.

Are they still the priority?

- yes, very much so
- some priorities have changed, some haven't
- no, not at all
- don't know/neutral

please describe

Still need sidewalk connections to schools.

Question 4

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What should there be more focus on (or less focus on) as the neighborhood status reports are completed in the coming months?

There should be more focus on...

- Ways to reduce car parking on residential streets.
- better traffic flow to reduce cut off
- developing a culture
- Community meeting places - open spaces

Are there any important gaps in the draft status reports?

- No
- Yes (please describe)

→ Age of data

There should be less focus on...

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Question 2

What changes or aspects of your neighborhood are you

most pleased about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) Lake City Way NE

most dissatisfied about?

- transportation
- housing
- safety
- parks and open space
- public facilities (e.g. libraries, community centers)
- business district (e.g. stores, restaurants)
- buildings - new and existing
- other (please specify) lack of sidewalks

Do you have any comments related to what you are pleased or dissatisfied about? in neighborhood

- lack of required parking adequate for businesses + poor apartment building

- lack of adequate protections for single family neighborhoods from adverse impacts of greater density

- poor D.P. devel. enforcement of city codes

Question 3

How well are your Neighborhood Plan vision and key strategies being achieved?

- very well
- somewhat well
- somewhat poorly
- very poorly
- don't know/neutral

please describe

Are they still the priority?

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please describe

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What should there be more focus on (or less focus on) as the neighborhood status reports are completed in the coming months?

There should be more focus on...

- protecting residential neighborhoods from the impacts of commercial activity & development
- requiring developers to provide more parking on site
- requiring more on site water runoff retention to reduce flooding of existing homes

There should be less focus on...

Are there any important gaps in the draft status reports?

- No
- Yes (please describe)

crime trends

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