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Stakeholder Interviews

STAKHOLDERS INTERVIEWED

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NEIGHBORHOOD STAKEHOLDERS

Jan Ames (Denny Triangle)

Steve Arai (Capitol Hill/Pike-Pine)

Jeff Aumell (University District)

Kathy Becker (Capitol Hill)

Alice Braverman (Central Area/Jackson Place)

**NEIGHBORHOOD
STAKEHOLDERS, (CONTINUED)**

Lori Lachman (North Rainier)	Clarke Pickett (Capitol Hill/Pike-Pine)
James Luster (Rainier Beach)	Earl Richardson (Columbia City)
Joe Marley (Rainier Beach)	Hugh Sisley (Roosevelt)
Barbara Maxwell (Northgate)	Scott Soules (University District)
John Mills (Denny Triangle)	Dan Stecher (North Rainier)
Darla Morton (Southeast Seattle)	Jeffrey Stein (Central Area/Jackson Place)
Steve Mycon (MLK @ Holly)	Paul Thienes (North Rainier)
Ron Newton (MLK @ Holly)	Trang Tu (International District)
Rick Nordby (Columbia City) (note, comments have not yet been incorporated)	Roger Wagoner (University District)
Sara Oshikawa (Central Area/Jackson Place)	Eugene Wasserman (Capitol Hill)
Jerry Pederson (First Hill)	Michael Woodland (Capitol Hill)
Mike Peringer (Duwamish/SODO)	Bill Zosel (First Hill)

STAKEHOLDER QUESTIONNAIRE (TEMPLATE)

INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION

Interviewer introduces station area planning project and indicates that remarks will not be attributed to specific individuals.

OVERVIEW

What is your overall impression of the Sound Transit light rail proposal, considering what it will do for the City and for the community/neighborhood where you (work/live)?

How do you think light rail can benefit your neighborhood?

What are your greatest issues or concerns about Sound Transit’s plan for light rail?

ALIGNMENT/CORRIDOR/STATION LOCATION ISSUES

Note that the city does not decide the preferred alternative, and alignment/station alternatives are not a focus of this project. However, if the interviewee has a strong point of view they want to express, we will report it back to the city.

1. Thinking about the alignment and station location choices in [neighborhood], do you have a strong opinion about which one(s) are preferable? Why?
2. Do you think one station is likely to trigger more redevelopment than another?

STATION AREAS

1. The city’s planning is focused on station areas, considered to be the area within about ¼ mile of a light rail station. (Note this means the area within 2-3 blocks of a station, or within about a 5 minute walk.) How would you describe your objectives for future development within the [neighborhood name] station area(s)?
 - Housing vs. office vs. retail – Do you have a preference?
 - Density – Do you object to or favor higher density?
 - Economic development/jobs – How important is this to you?
2. What kind of development do you think light rail will or can be a catalyst for?
3. What actions if any do you think the City should take to promote housing and/or economic development within the station area(s)? (E.g., providing economic development assistance, investing in infrastructure/public improvements, entering into development partnerships, expediting building permits or improving public safety) Which actions should the City give priority to?

4. Within the station area(s), what are the greatest needs for public improvements or infrastructure? (E.g., parks, community facilities such as a library, street improvements)
5. Do you think certain station areas should be a higher priority for city attention than others? Why?
6. The City is exploring opportunities for transit oriented development near transit stations (higher density, pedestrian friendly development). What are some of the obstacles that you think need to be overcome to achieve transit oriented development within the station area(s)?

DEVELOPMENT PROSPECTS

1. Are you aware of any other significant development proposals under consideration in the station area(s)?
2. Do you think the business community is interested in participating in improvement districts or joint public/private development projects that may benefit station areas?
3. How do you think Sound Transit is affecting real estate transactions in your neighborhood?

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANS

If interviewees are not familiar with the neighborhood plan, answers to the following questions may be limited.

1. Do you agree with the general direction of the neighborhood plan and the concepts it embodies? If not, what issues or concerns are missing?
2. Do you think the neighborhood planning group is adequately addressing land use and development potential around the proposed light rail station(s)? If not, please tell us what you would like the plan to include, or additional issues which need to be addressed.
3. What do you think of the rezone proposal(s), if any, included in the neighborhood plan?
4. Do you consider the neighborhood planning group to be broadly representative of the neighborhood's interests? If not, what interests are missing?

QUESTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF ORGANIZATIONS

1. To what extent has your organization considered issues concerning the light rail proposal and station area needs?
2. If your organization has a different perspective than you have expressed, could you please tell us what your organization thinks about the light rail proposal and what it would like to see in the area around the station(s)?

WRAP UP

1. How well organized do you think the neighborhood is to participate in station area planning?
2. How can the city work best with you or your organization as we go forward with station area planning?
3. Would you like to be added to the city's mailing list for future information on this project? *(Be sure to confirm current mailing address.)*

