



SODO Advisory Group Kick-Off Meeting Summary Friday December 6, 2019

Attendance

| Name | Organization | Attending |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------|
| Don Ayres (for Henry Liebman) | American Life | Yes |
| Mark Miller | Macmillian-Piper | Yes |
| Ron Judd | WSDOT | Yes |
| Brian Mannelly | SSA Marine | Yes |
| Fred Mendoza | Public Stadium Authority | Yes |
| Lauren Ross | SODO BIA | Yes |
| Lisa Howard | Alliance for Pioneer Square | Yes |
| Kristal Fiser & Autumn Holzberg | UPS | Yes |
| John Persak | International Longshore & Warehouse Union | Yes |
| Erin Goodman | SODO BIA | Yes |
| Fred Rivera | Seattle Mariners | Yes |
| Maiko Winkler Chin | Seattle Chinatown International District PDA | No |

Advisory Group Members' Feedback on Process

- Ensure recognition of tribal lands
- Would like the container port policies from the comprehensive plan posted to the project website
- Need to surface solid data about SODO industrial/maritime/manufacturing jobs (who is working here in SODO now is hard to "see"); including information about the future of industrial jobs
- Our north star should be policies that create middle wage jobs
- The sector we're focusing on should be referred to as "maritime, manufacturing, and logistics"
- Need to ensure the connection between the work of SODO and Ballard neighborhood groups (especially with respect to transportation infrastructure).

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

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

Neighborhood / Land Use

- Need clarity on the plan for future development to give everyone more certainty (move away from "zoning by variance.")
- Homelessness (much of SODO suffers from lack of eyes on the street)
- **Public Safety (as a jobs issues)—companies are relocating away from SODO due to concerns for employee safety**
- Need a thoughtful transition from the heavy industrial parts of SODO into the downtown core (How does the Stadium District integrate into this?)
- Integration of workforce housing (near transit)

City of Seattle Industrial & Maritime Strategy



Transportation / Infrastructure

- Need a SODO mobility study for all modes
 - o Sound Transit siting
 - o Traffic impacts due to viaduct removal
- SODO must have better transit access *within* it (not just *through* it)
- Improve cargo movement (Ballard ↔ SODO ↔ Kent)
- Better pedestrian safety
- Inadequate and failing infrastructure

Jobs

- Protect Port operations as a jobs generator
- Grow and diversify industrial work force
- Affordable warehouse space (& office) for new businesses
- Workforce development (especially entry level positions for lower skilled individuals and young people)
- Attract new economy industrial jobs
- Cannabis & alcohol are rapidly expanding within SODO (need the industrial zoning); these require both production and forward-facing spaces

Environment

- Stormwater infrastructure
- Residential uses requires clean up of the environment to residential standards

Advisory Group Members' greatest fears for the SODO Industrial areas:

- Long term viability of small manufacturing (and an absence of a voice at City Hall)
- Ability to retain good jobs
- Lack of coordinated and integrated planning (x2)
- Declining public safety
- No comprehensive rezone
- Obsolete building stock
- Become a replica of South Lake Union
- No master transportation plan
- Loss of quality SODO jobs
- Outdated & Failed transportation infrastructure
- Undesirable public space

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| INITIAL FEEDBACK | NEIGHBORHOOD / LAND USE | TRANSPORTATION | JOB | ENVIRONMENT | FEARS |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENSURE RECOGNITION OF TRIBAL LANDS WOULD LIKE CONTAINER PORT POLICIES FROM COMP PLAN NEED SOLID DATA ABOUT SODO INDUSTRIAL/MARITIME/MANUFACTURING JOBS (INCLUDING FUTURE ECONOMY TRAINING WHO IS WORKING HERE NOW?) NEED RECS THAT FOCUS ON PRODUCING MIDDLE WAGE JOBS "MARITIME MANUFACTURING AND LOGISTICS" ENSURE CONNECTION OF SODO + BALLARD WORK (ESP. W/ RESPECT TO TRANSP) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CERTAINTY ABOUT FUTURE DEVELOPMENT (ZONING BY VARIANCE) HOMELESSNESS PUBLIC SAFETY (AS A JOBS ISSUE) HOW DO WE TRANSITION FROM HEAVY THROUGH INDUSTRIAL TO DOWNTOWN CORE? (STADIUM DISTRICT) INTEGRATION OF WORKFORCE HOUSING (NEAR TRANSIT) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NEED A SODO MOBILITY STUDY (SOUND TRANSIT) TRAFFIC IMPACTS DUE TO VIA DUCT REMOVAL TRANSIT THAT SERVES SODO (NOT JUST THROUGH IT) CARGO MOVEMENT PEDESTRIAN SAFETY CONNECTION BETWEEN BALLARD / SODO / KENT INADEQUATE + FAILING INFRASTRUCTURE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PROTECT PORT OPERATIONS GROW + DIVERSIFY INDUSTRIAL WORK FORCE AFFORDABLE WAREHOUSE SPACE (+ OFFICE) WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (ESP ENTRY LEVEL + YOUNG PEOPLE) NEW ECONOMY INDUSTRIAL JOBS CANNABIS + ALCOHOL ARE RAPIDLY EXPANDING (NEEDS TO BE INDUSTRIAL) PRODUCTION AND FORWARD-FACING | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE CLEAN-UP ENVIRONMENT AT RESIDENTIAL STANDARDS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VITALITY OF SMALL MANUFACTURING (ABSENCE OF VOICE AT CITY HALL) ABILITY TO RETAIN GOOD JOBS LACK OF INTEGRATED PLANNING - X2 PUBLIC SAFETY NO COMPREHENSIVE REZONE OBsolete BUILDING STOCK BECOME SOUTH LAKE UNION NO MASTER TRANSP PLAN LOSS OF QUALITY SODO JOBS OUTDATED / FAILED TRANSP INFRASTRUCTURE UNDESIRABLE PUBLIC SPACE |

MEETING LOGISTICS

- WEEK DAYS
- NOT LATER THAN 3pm