

**Proctor District
Neighborhood Planning**

Steering Group Meeting #3

December 8, 2022



AGENDA

Introductions/Icebreaker

Engagement Debrief

Summary of Public Input

Small Group Discussion: Topics/Priorities

Next Steps



GOALS

Meeting Goals:

- Discuss engagement and missing voices
- Review public comments
- Discuss priorities and next steps



GROUP NORMS

Discussion guidelines for our work together:

- **Respect each other's time.** As much as possible, please be on time, attend meetings, and come prepared. Listen to each other for understanding.
- **Take space, make space.** Share your ideas, then step back to actively listen. If you're talkative, remember to step back; if you're quiet, remember to step up.
- **Expect the best.** When someone says something, assume the best intentions; ask clarifying questions. And keep in mind that sometimes impact is different than intent.
- **Be positive and solution oriented.** Keep moving forward. Be aware of what we can and cannot change.
- **Know that you are valued.** You are making a big contribution to the Proctor neighborhood – thank you!



GROUP NORMS

Reminders for meetings and email:

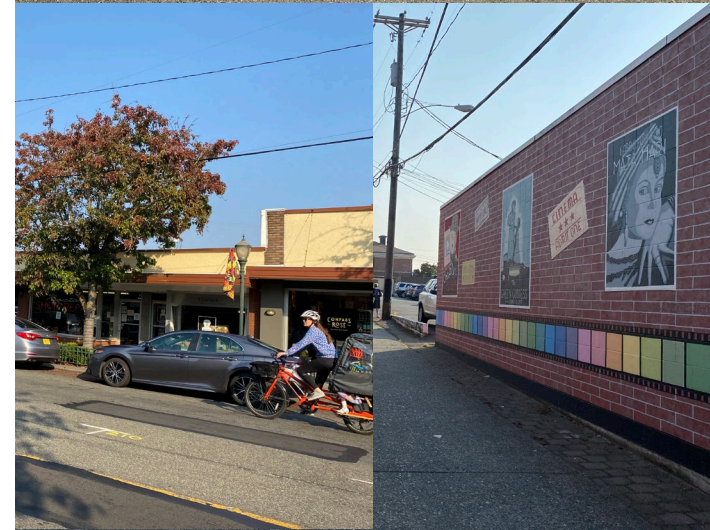
- Remember to **mute yourself** during presentations or virtual meetings.
- All emails you write to City staff are subject to **public disclosure**. A good rule of thumb: if you wouldn't want it published in the newspaper, don't write it in an email.



INTRODUCTIONS

Introduce yourself in the Chat!

- Name
- Favorite Holiday Food



Depave Walk Debrief

- One Depave area on N 27th
- Tree outreach along green map line
- Next step: Business owner meeting in Jan/Feb

Thoughts/questions?



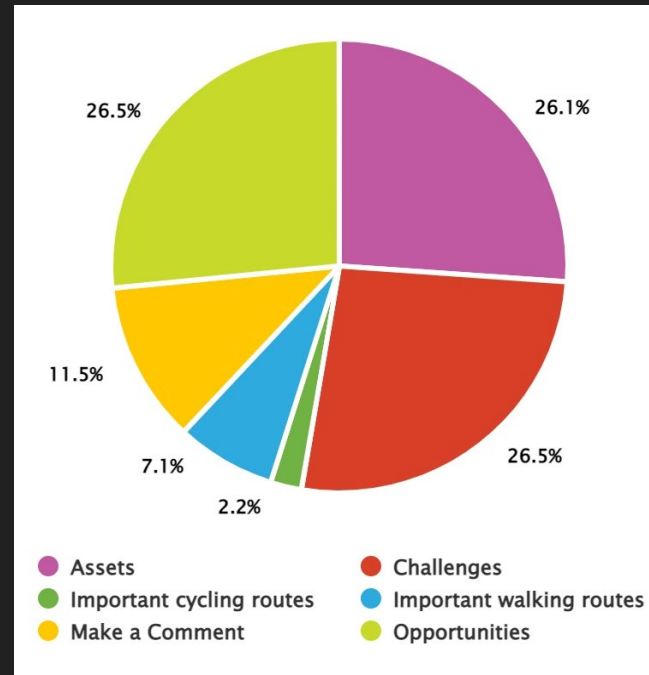
Engagement Debrief

2,183 Total Visits

695 Unique Users

77 Unique Stakeholders
(People who are adding comments)

287 Comments



Missing Pieces?

- Nourish Foodbank
- Tenants
- Schools
- University of Puget Sound
- Cultural Groups
- Other?

Interactive Map Feedback Themes

Assets

- Parks
- Walkability
- Farmers Market
- Retail Options


Challenges


- Pedestrian and bike safety
- Parking
- Small and local business displacement
- Design and affordability in new development
- Tree canopy and landscaping


Opportunities


- Improvements to parks and open space
- Existing and new community events and spaces
- Elements such as signage, murals, bike racks, and a festival street in the Business District

The Mason greenbelt/trail is a great community asset, it could be improved with benches, trees and other features.


 Start a discussion


 Opportunities | 2 months ago

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As retail spaces get bigger, more expensive, how do we encourage small, local businesses that are what gave Proctor its charm, community feel.


 Start a discussion


 Challenges | 2 months ago


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Dislike 

We could use some more bike racks in the proctor district. When I park my bike, I often have to lock it to a tree, which is not ideal.

 Start a discussion

 Make a Comment | 3 months ago

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Dislike 

Survey Results

Key Locations	Map Comment
Puget Gulch	"This short segment of Alder St. connects the waterfront to the bottom of Puget Gulch, but it lacks sidewalks and you have to walk on dirt or gravel. It would have to be narrow under the train trestle, but putting in a real sidewalk and even signage on Ruston Way could really make Puget Gulch more accessible, including to people who use wheelchairs"
Mason Middle School	"Partner with the school district to make this asset more consistently available for neighborhood resident use."
N 26 th St & N Cheyenne St	"Traffic drives very fast down 26th. It is slower past Stevens going towards Proctor because of the tree median, but traffic often hits excessive speeds between Pearl and Proctor. This is very concerning since Downing Elem. and Kandle Park are on this street."
Business District	"We have a great 4-corners neighborhood. Would love to have more community events. "Art on The Ave", Candy Cane Crawl, Proctor Fit Day, Halloween Parade. A great way to highlight our local businesses, bring neighbors together and celebrate the uniqueness of our neighborhood."
Washington Elementary School	"There is a lot of totally useless concrete here. how can we reimagine this space as greener and cooler?"

Project Kickoff

- Plan-A-Thon
- Survey #1 and map
- Steering group

Project Ideas

Draft priority projects

Final priority projects

Community review
(survey #2 and event)

Draft Plan



We are here: Review input and create priorities list

Process

Small groups

In small groups:

- Identify a facilitator, who will help guide the discussion
- Identify a notetaker, who will share their screen, capture notes, and report back to group
- You have 30 minutes to discuss the items below:

Looking at the summary of map responses:

- *Is there anything that seems to be **missing from the list of themes?***
- *What are the **top 3 objectives** that Neighborhood Planning could focus on?*

STEERING GROUP MEETINGS

	Steering Group Meeting	Public Event
October	Introductions + Steering Group Role Neighborhood Planning Program Group Values	Kick-Off Event (Virtual Plan-A-Thon) Proctor Walk Proctor Treats Outreach Interactive Map – ongoing
November	Engagement Process, Equity, Depave	Interactive Map – ongoing Farmers Market Outreach
December	Neighborhood Priorities Discussion	Holiday Markets
Winter	Ongoing Priorities Discussion Focused Discussion Topics – TBD	Focused outreach TBD

Next Steps

- Workshop priorities list through engagement
- Revisit Proctor Neighborhood Plan values
- Targeted engagement
- Approach priorities by topic



Thank you!

We look forward to working together.

Lauren Hoogkamer, *Principal Planner*

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