

York Neighborhood Plan Update – Transportation Work Group
Initial Meeting – October 10, 2007

Members: The members of the group are as follows:

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Objectives: Our aim in the initial meeting was to answer the following questions, and prioritise the answers:

- 1) What do you value about the neighborhood?
- 2) What do you want to see stay the same?
- 3) What changes do you want to see?

The group independently listed their issues, and then discussed and agreed on priorities.

Values: The group listed the following main themes, in agreed priority for the top 3:

- 1) Walkability of the neighborhood
- 2) The historic character of our pre-automobile neighborhood
- 3) Access to public transportation
- 4) Safe for families
- 5) Closeness (walking distance) to downtown
- 6) “Green”
 - a. Mature trees
 - b. Green street verges
 - c. Ditches
- 7) Efficiency
- 8) Alleys

We’d like these things to stay the same, or get better!

Desired Changes: The group agreed on the following items, top 3 prioritised:

- 1) Better walking/biking connectors:
 - a. Crosswalks on major streets are **Required:**
 - i. Lakeway at Grant/Franklin
 - ii. Ellis near E. Maple
 - iii. Magnolia
 - b. Better pedestrian crossings:
 - i. York & Ellis
 - ii. Under freeway on Lakeway
 - c. Connecting trails to
 - i. Greenways – Whatcom Creek
 - ii. Sehome arboretum trails
- 2) Sidewalks and curbing on streets where none exist (this is a safety issue):
 - a. Potter St.
 - b. North end of Grant, Humboldt, Iron
 - c. Other?
- 3) Traffic Calming:
 - a. To generally slow down speeders

- b. Cut-through traffic:
 - i. James St.
 - ii. Whatcom/Franklin/Grant St. from Samish to Lakeway
 - iii. Alley cut-throughs at speed
- c. Cul-de-sac review on Franklin, alleys
- 4) Parking – both resident and daytime visitors
- 5) Improved Street Lighting.
- 6) Alley Maintenance ordinance (garbage, etc.)
- 7) Review of One-way streets (Forest, Garden, Magnolia)

(I tried to group individual items under broad themes – please let me know if you have additional items or don't agree with the groupings)

Next Workgroup meeting: Saturday, October 27th at 6 pm (perhaps 7 pm – to be confirmed)
Location – Dave's house, 1121 Grant (as a suggestion – others?)