Montgomery Park to Hollywood Transit and Land Use Development Strategy



Project Overview - NW

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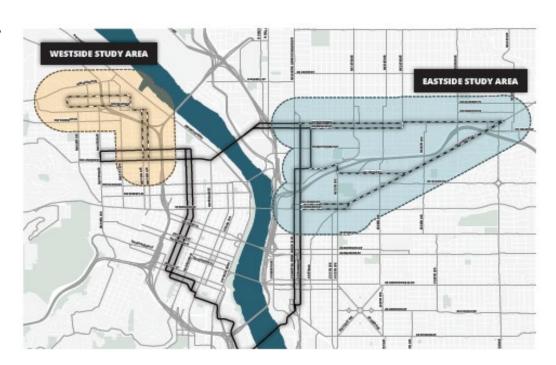
Welcome. Let's talk MP2H

The Montgomery Park to Hollywood Transit and Land Use Development Strategy will assess opportunities, costs, feasibility, and interest in high-quality transit investments and transit-supportive land use changes in NW and inner NE Portland.



One Study, two study areas.

- The Study spans both sides of the river, but are being evaluated as distinct study areas.
- The Westside Study area is being looked at for nearer term transit investment and land use changes.
- The Eastside Study area is a preliminary assessment to look at the most promising route for a streetcar to serve the Hollywood Town Center.
- For both areas, the study will consider how investments could spur changes that impact development, jobs, housing and transportation options.





What are our goals?

- Support Portland's 2035
 Comprehensive Plan and Climate
 Action goals.
- Focus growth (housing, jobs, services) in centers and corridors.
- Increase opportunities for employment and housing.
- Improve access to affordable housing, middle-wage jobs, nature & recreation through transit service or multi-modal options.
- Advance equitable, sustainable outcomes by developing community benefits strategies.

 Ensure that under-served and underrepresented communities have an opportunity to meaningfully participate in the planning process, and benefit from project outcomes.

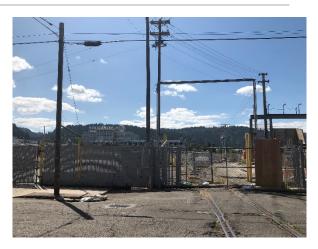




What issues are we considering in NW Portland?



- The area is part of the Guilds Lake Industrial area and has historically hosted industrial uses/jobs.
- Large sections of the district have undergone changes in recent years (new land use designations, shifting ownership, shuttering of ESCO) that will bring housing and a more diverse set of jobs to the area.
- Should the City reconsider the direction/form of the area or maintain it's current industrial & employment focus?
- How should we serve the transportation needs for development that is coming?







Investments in NW Portland come with tradeoffs

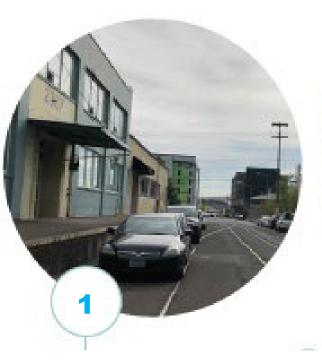


- A transit investment like a streetcar or bus rapid transit could bring more transportation options, mixed use development, jobs and housing to the area.
- Land use changes to support a streetcar would raise the value of land and could drive out existing industrial businesses in the district.
- Multimodal streets with transit, pedestrians and bicyclists could be incompatible with loading and other industrial business needs.
- Development close to the Central City could generate more jobs and housing close to amenity-rich neighborhoods and relieve gentrifying pressure on other closein neighborhoods.





Examples of Future Land Uses in NW







Scenario 1: Continue Industrial Focus

 Maintain focus on industrial uses and emphasis on industrial jobs such as manufacturing. Allow some creative offices and small retail.

Scenario 2: Expand Employment Opportunity

 Allow broader array of office uses, such as legal, financial, real estate and other uses.
 Allow institutional uses and some retail, but maintain a focus on jobs in the area.

Scenario 3: Create Mixed-Use Neighborhood

 Allow housing, offices and commercial/retail/service uses; add significant housing and diversify jobs, but limit industry.





What do you think?

- What issues does your community care about when thinking about land use changes and transportation investments?
- Have there been development or transportation projects that have improved your daily life or brought value to your community?
- What does an equitable and sustainable neighborhood or district look like to you?



District looking east toward the Willamette River



District looking west toward Forest Park





What are your concerns? What opportunities excite you?

- What are your greatest concerns in the study areas?
 - Rising housing costs?
 - Loss/change of job opportunity?
 - Loss/change of neighborhood businesses?
 - Change in neighborhood character?
 - Other?

- What kind of investments & development would you like to see in the future?
 - Affordable housing?
 - Affordable commercial space?
 - Opportunity for jobs?
 - Financial tools for development?
 - Transportation alternatives?
 - Safe transportation infrastructure
 - Other?



What's Next?

