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## **BRIEFING MEMORANDUM**

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To: Planning and Sustainability Commission Members  
From: Debbie Bischoff, Senior Planner, Northeast District Liaison  
Subject: Cully Main Street Project Briefing

### **Background Information**

On January 11, 2011, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) staff will provide you a briefing on the Cully Main Street Project, which is scheduled to begin in March and take one year to 15 months to complete. The project is primarily funded by a State of Oregon Transportation and Growth Management Program grant totaling \$105,000 and the scope of work has been greatly determined through negotiations with the State.

The Cully Main Street Project has two primary technical components:

- 1) Land use recommendations for Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Map changes to implement the regionally-designated Cully Boulevard Main Street area concept, and
- 2) Local street system planning for additional connections, new street design alternatives, community prioritization of local street improvements, and local street funding recommendations

The goals of the project are to set the framework by which Cully residents will have more goods and services in closer proximity and determine recommendations on how to improve the inequitable and incomplete transportation system in Cully.

The transportation components of this project will likely present concepts and recommendations that could be applied elsewhere in Portland. BPS staff will manage this project with assistance from Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) staff. John Gillam and Denver Igarta will be present at the briefing to hear your comments and respond to questions you might have on the project's transportation component.

The Cully Main Street Project implements the Cully-Concordia Community Assessment and Action Plan previously approved by City Council in 2008 and is a high priority to community stakeholders to complete. Attached you will find these documents along with a report highlights summary as background information. The project will implement actions under Goals 2 and 3 of the Community Action Plan. This effort is also an early implementation project for the Portland Plan addressing the strategy themes of equity, economic opportunities, transportation and community health.

### **Action Requested**

No specific action is requested for this briefing. However, BPS and PBOT staff look forward to receiving your comments and suggestions and responding to any questions regarding the Cully Main Street Project.

Attachments