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Comprehensive Plan Update – Community Involvement Committee (CIC)

Paula Amato

Paula is a Faculty Physician/Educator at OHSU, City Club member, Volunteer Physician at Outside In, and on the Board of the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association. She is relatively new to Portland, having worked internationally and lived in various other large cities. She has a long-standing interest in public health and is a strong believer in mixed use/diverse neighborhoods, public transportation, universally accessible public spaces, context-appropriate architecture and sustainability. She has leadership/advocacy experience, public sector work experience and has worked as a community volunteer.

Jason Barnstead-Long

Jason is a community planning and involvement specialist, with continued participation in a number of geographical and non-geographical community groups and coalitions. He has had internships with the Office of Neighborhood Involvement and the Clackamas Community Land Trust, and was an employee at a Portland area non-profit minority community organization for over three years. He is skilled in community involvement and relationship building, problem solving, facilitation, and research and development. “As an active member of the Portland community, I want to further participate and contribute my skills in the fulfillment of a project which will have long-lasting effects on the growth and development of our community. Being part of a growing minority of disabled citizens, frequently challenged and hindered by ways in which our city planning processes are organized, I feel I can offer first-hand insight into ways to make public involvement more accessible for everyone.”

Judy BlueHorse Skelton

Judy serves on the Native American Advisory Committee to Portland Parks and Recreation and as a Board Member of the Urban Greenspaces Institute, The Intertwine Alliance and the Portland Parks Board. Judy first worked with visionPDX and was the Portland representative to the Oregon Indian Education Association. As faculty at Portland State University, Judy teaches Environmental Education through Native American Lenses, Intro to Leadership for Sustainability, and Learning Gardens and Civic Affairs. “I love this place; I am passionate about and committed to the integration of indigenous knowledge and relationships into the larger fabric/conversations happening in Portland and the region and hope to strengthen the bridges between diverse communities, local governments, businesses, natural spaces/places and the intrinsic wisdom that the land has always held. Recognizing the immense diversity within all communities can offer creative solutions and possibilities.”



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Lois Cohen

Lois has over twenty years experience in strategic communications. Her background working at every level of government, from the State of Oregon and the Federal Department of Transportation to the City of New York, gives her an uncommon ability to assess political landscapes - building innovative partnerships for the agencies and communities they serve. Since June 2008, Ms. Cohen has been the President of Lois D. Cohen Associates, a Portland-based communications firm specializing in community relations, outreach strategy consulting and delivery of communications workshops on Mentoring and on Addressing Generational Differences in the Workplace for public and private organizations. Ms. Cohen developed the School-based Outreach Program, widely used by public agencies on key public projects. Before founding Lois D Cohen Associates, Ms. Cohen served for seven years as Director of Community Partnerships for Portland State University's Graduate School of Education; and served in a number of government positions such as Intergovernmental Projects Manager for Oregon's Department of General Services. She is an effective public speaker who gave the luncheon address to those attending the 2009 Governor's Market Place.

Anyeley Hallova

Anyeley is a partner with Project^ecological development, doing real estate development planning, project management, due diligence and marketing. She has also been a development manager for Gerding Edlen Development and an urban design associate with EDAW Inc. Currently, she is a volunteer with the Imago Dei Community Church, Portland, and is serving on the Adjustment Committee with the City of Portland. Her skills include group facilitation, public speaking, city planning, promoting sustainable development and public participation. "I believe that government should be inclusive of all the people it represents. This ensures that community initiatives, including planning policies and programs, reflect the needs and desires of its residents. Public participation and inclusion is essential to the success of any city planning effort."

Linda Nettekoven

Linda's ongoing volunteer efforts reflect her long-term commitment to helping groups and individuals find their "voice," whether in the workplace or the public policy arena. During her 10+ years in Portland Linda has channeled much of her volunteer energy into the City's neighborhood system. A long-time board member and officer of her neighborhood association and her neighborhood coalition, she currently serves as vice chair of the Hosford-Abernethy Neighborhood Development Association (HAND). With a background in health, community and organizational psychology, she helped to develop the City's Five Year Plan to Increase Community Involvement, serves on the City's Public Involvement Advisory Committee and has represented citizen concerns on several bureau/budget advisory committees. She is also a founding member of the Division Vision Coalition, a collaborative effort to revitalize SE Division Street. "The quality of the Portland Plan will be determined by the quality of the community engagement that informs it. I look forward to collaborating with others to help create an innovative, effective and welcoming process that will make Portlanders proud."





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Stanley Penkin

A native New Yorker who has been in the construction and building business for many years, Stan is currently “retired” but actively engaged in the development of green and sustainable infill projects in Portland. His educational background includes a BS in Civil Engineering and an MS in Urban Planning. During his nine years in Portland, he has been actively involved in the community, including chairmanship of his HOA Board, board member of Portland Center Stage, co-founder of the Oregon Arts and Culture PAC (ArtPAC) and an avid supporter of the arts. While New York still remains in his heart, Portland is in his soul. “Portland had the foresight to make vital and visionary decisions in the 1970s that propelled the city forward. We are now at another critical crossroad that will determine how we continue to move forward. I believe in an open, transparent and inclusionary process and am honored to be on this committee and to help in any way I can.”

Howard Shapiro

Howard moved to Portland in 1973 after a 25-year career in marketing and broadcasting in Seattle. He is a member of the Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission, serves as vice chair of Albina Community Bank, is a member of the Board of Directors of The National Magazine, is on the Board of EBS – a national media and educational organization and is a Board Member of Caldera. Mr. Shapiro was formerly a board member of Rejuvenation, Portland Center Stage, and Oregon Public Broadcasting. “As Portland looks ahead, planning the next 20 years, and all that promises, the citizens, the roots of our community, need to help shape that restructure. Important voices can be overlooked or worse, ignored. The Community Involvement Committee, the antenna of public opinion and awareness of the Portland Plan, is a wonderful opportunity for me, as a Planning Commissioner, to listen and learn and contribute. I have had the unique advantage of a personal conversation with all the committee members and it is an honor to do this work with such a fine group of people.”

Peter Stark

Peter is an architect and native of Portland. Having worked for large firms in New York and Los Angeles, Mr. Stark moved back to Portland in 1995 and for the past fifteen years has been very active in local development, architecture and planning. A member of Venture Portland and Portland Business Alliance, he is the past president and currently serves on the Board for the Central Eastside Industrial Council and is vice-chair of the CE-Urban Renewal Advisory Committee. In 2008, he was responsible for directing the Central Eastside’s Strategic Plan. In addition to inner Southeast involvement Mr. Stark also has participated on regional committees including those for transportation, urbanization and growth. He serves on the board for Portland Streetcar Inc. and represents the CIC on the Network Policy Expert Group for the Comprehensive Plan Update. He is on the board for the Hillside Neighborhood Association and chairs Neighbors West-Northwest Coalition representing twelve northwest neighborhoods. In addition he chairs the Cornell Road Sustainability Coalition, representing four neighborhoods, the Portland Bicycle Transportation Alliance, the Forest Park Conservancy and the Portland Audubon Society.



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Alison Stoll

A NE Portland neighbor for 27 years, Alison is the executive director of Central Northeast Neighbors, a nonprofit coalition of 8 neighborhood and 5 business associations in NE Portland. Her work with CNN has spanned 20 years, first hired as a crime prevention Coordinator. Alison serves on the Boards of RideConnection, a nonprofit providing rides for seniors and differently-abled people in the Portland Metro area, Parkrose Business Association, the Alliance of Portland Neighborhood Business Associations (APNBA) and Grant Park Church. Alison is a 2007 Spirit of Portland Award Winner for Community Partnerships, holds a Chief's Forum Problem-Solving Award from Mayor Tom Potter and was presented with the American Mothers Leah Sauer Award for her work in the Community. "I believe that everyone should have a voice and be involved in their community."



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