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**North Lake Union Planning Process**  
**Community Outreach Plan**

**Goals:**

- To respond to the Metropolitan King County Council's 2004 Budget Proviso regarding existing King County Department of Transportation (KCDOT) properties in the North Lake Union area.
- To convene a stakeholder working group to provide community perspective as the County develops a plan for these properties.
- To recognize and consider previous neighborhood and community planning efforts for this area as part of the County's planning process.
- To maintain an array of options for County's use or development of the properties.

**Action Steps:**

- Determine a scope and focus for a process that will include 3-5 stakeholder meetings through June 30, 2004; the process would result in information that KCDOT would incorporate in developing a plan for the use and development of North Lake Union properties.
- Coordinate this outreach process with the community's conceptual planning process for development and transportation issues along Northlake Way.
- Finalize a list of community stakeholders to be invited to participate in the working group.
- Invite others as observers and resource persons for the stakeholder process, including staff members of elected officials, KCDOT and City of Seattle staff members, and representatives of interested parties.
- Assess any interest the City of Seattle might have in purchasing and developing KCDOT's North Lake Union properties.

- Discuss related street improvements with representatives of parties interested in developing the properties.
- Plan for a future community outreach process to assess transit service needs along Northlake Way and NE 45<sup>th</sup> Street as part of the community's conceptual planning process to improve transportation options linking Ballard and the University District.

**Work Plan for Stakeholder Working Group:**

- Recruit 8-15 area residents, business owners, developers, and other interested parties to provide input and community perspectives as KCDOT develops a master plan in response to the Council proviso.
- Council approval of motion proposing stakeholder group membership
- Hold stakeholder meetings from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and include public comment. Meetings will be held on:
  - Wednesday, May 5
  - Wednesday, May 19
  - Wednesday, June 2
  - Wednesday, June 16 (optional)
  - Wednesday, June 30 (Discussion of KCDOT's summary of the stakeholder process)
- Cover these primary areas during the stakeholder process:
  - Review of neighborhood and community plans:
    - 2002 South Wallingford Amendment to the Wallingford Neighborhood Plan
    - Conceptual plan for development and transportation along Northlake Way
  - Overview of use and status of KCDOT properties on North Lake Union:
    - Metro Tank Farm
    - Shoreline parcel
    - Site clean-up
    - PERT guidelines and County surplus property disposition process
    - Current purchase offer and public real estate requirements
  - A selective review of the King County Comprehensive Plan; specifically, regarding parks and open space, County properties and transportation, linkages, access, alternative forms of transportation and non-motor and water-borne transportation options.
  - Review community perspectives on possible scenarios for possible property use and development:
    - Public
    - Private
    - Non-profit
- Update plan in late-2004 or early-2005.