
PROJECT NUMBER: # 18-114PLN **ISSUE DATE:** April 15, 2019
PROJECT NAME: Heritage Farm Master Plan Update

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PRESENT: Members of the public
Members of the Farm Advisory Team
County Staff
Project team members from Conservation Technix

SUBJECT: Heritage Farm Master Plan Update: Open House #2 Meeting Notes (April 10th)

Community members were invited to the second open house for the Heritage Farm Master Plan Update on Wednesday, April 10th at the Public Service Center at 1300 Franklin St. in Vancouver. The project team prepared informational displays covering the proposed changes for the master site development with highlights on major themes for farm uses and operations. These displays included Project Overview, Guiding Principles, Current Site Uses, Proposed Master Plan Update, and Master Plan Update Highlights to cover major site uses. County and project team staff presented the draft updates to the Farm's existing master plan with background and summaries of progress since the adopted 2010 master plan.

Attendees were encouraged to talk to project team members, record their comments and complete a written comment card. County staff and project team staff engaged with participants to identify any issues yet to be addressed or endorsements of the proposed master plan changes. Approximately 26 people attended the meeting to review materials, listen to presentation and provide questions and comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following represents a summary of the comments (grouped by subject matter) written on display boards and comment sheets during the evening meeting.

PROPOSED MASTER PLAN UPDATE

- Approved
- Big improvement over previous plan
- Best plan ever

WATER QUALITY – WETLAND RESTORATION

- Protect from hail, frost, drought, insect predation
- Restore the Wetlands with native plants.

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HISTORIC / CONNECTIONS

- Concerned about farm produce safety if have open interpretive trail
- Concerned about open access at 68th St to Heritage Farm. HF locked up - do need open access on another end.
- Any focus on growing culturally historically relevant crops?

AGRICULTURAL/FARM USES

- Make sure to preserve farm land (and enough land) for food bank and community
- Maintain the “farming “for produce for the CCFB. FISH other distribution center
- I think it (financial self-sufficiency) is important of course. Wonder if the idea of a foundation is still on the table.
- Maintain functional ag item - #1 priority
- Greenhouse item - Very important as climate uncertainty (pressure) increases.

INDIVIDUAL COMMENTS (collected from flip chart pad)

- Give coded access gate off 68th St.
- Do Master Plan update for Hazel Dell Park
- Do research on how to adapt plants on changing environment (climate)
- Plan for more unpredictable and severe: rain, heat, cold, increase in pests, variety of pests

Every effort has been made to accurately record this meeting. If any errors or omissions are noted, please provide written response within five days of receipt.

-- End of Notes --

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