

10 forms turned in at the meeting, another sent by e mail from Derrick

Compilation as of 7/28/2015, 9:30 am

Overall themes of comments:

Support for work in Agate Beach

Need for affordable, workforce housing

Strong feelings about couplet concept both for and against

General support for infrastructure improvements

General support for economic improvements

Need for parking in commercial core areas

What components of the draft urban renewal plans do you like?

reserving judgment

we need it all

facelift for Newport, improved economics, utility undergrounding

utility undergrounding, Agate Beach Neighborhood Plan

storefront upgrades and use of all of the empty lots

intersection alignment: US 101 and 6th, commercial core areas highway/street upgrades (e.g.couplet, widening etc)

create economic opportunity, neighborhood planning

investing in the community, citizen input

support for economic opportunity, removal of urban blight, paved streets in Agate Beach

What 3 projects do you feel are most important?

Agate Beach: Infrastructure repair/replace (existing) first. Sidewalks, storm sewer, paving.
Infrastructure new/needed second, transportation to/from north to city center

pedestrian and bicycle improvements

signage and streetscape improvements

utilities - and infrastructure and undergrounding

parking improvements

storm drainage

intersection realignment

local street right away improvements

couplet/highway upgrades

storm drainage improvements

intersection realignment(e.g. US 101 and 6th Street

commercial core area highway/street upgrades

parking improvements

planning efforts to determine infrastructure upgrades

housing, identify all city properties that could be used

remove parking on 101 downtown

police station on 101 downtown

buy and create more downtown parking on ninth and behind Pier 101

Agate Beach neighborhood storm sewers and street repair before all of the spending on public art, benches, storefront facades, etc.

Are there other projects that should be considered?

revitalize the movie theater

pedestrian and bicycle improvements

Ernest Bloch Heritage Center

parks and beach improvement

continued improvement in crosswalks

add sidewalk and lighting improvements on 101 between Best Western in Agate Beach

landscape mitigation in west Agate Beach

invest in the human capital as much as the economic

without adequate workforce housing economic responses will be difficult will need more than infrastructure funded

move National Guard Armory off 101 to airport- a dead inactive use

more housing

replace National Guard property with a farmers market multipurpose building or aquatic center

work with hospital district

police station on 101 downtown

clean up the Deco district, make it one way with plantings, storefront requirements of owners, etc.

Is there any other element of the plans on which you would like to provide input?

no more cute signs or ugly concrete arches less paving, more trees

the couplet is an exceedingly terrible idea and is not needed traffic on 101 will be improved by removing parking on 101 downtown spend the money on more parking off 101 and removing dreadful housing that should be condemned turn that into parking.

South Beach urban renewal comments, contact person who submitted questionnaire

what couplet could be a model for Newport? Put those on the website

not all economic development is sustainable or beneficial what kind of economic development are you seeking? Clean community oriented locally owned

no couplet of 101

Agate Beach neighborhood plan

using 7th or 9th Street as couplet for 101 is a bad idea. Dangerous to run a highway through a hospital campus, terrible for church on ninth Street, terrible for shuttling people through the business District - missing one half businesses on Newport by giving up north south traffic

why waste one half million dollars on removing billboards

keep the public better informed

plan for affordable housing, don't push housing costs up

how much is being spent on consulting, management, administration etc. these costs are not included

the three lots at the city is giving to Habitat should be used for the pool or parking or perhaps to move the senior center but not given to Habitat. Other properties away from downtown would serve them better.

The movie theater is the only real Deco building in the Deco district. (revitalize it)