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## Downtown Citizen Topic Group

### Draft Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2007 at 6 PM  
West Junior High School

Co-Facilitators: Lynda Baumgartner  
Support Staff: Scott Hanson

*Present:* [List of attendees]  
*Absent:* [List of absent group members]  
*Next meeting:* 5/16/07, 6pm, Lange Middle School

#### **I. Approval of Minutes March Meeting (approval postponed until the May meeting)**

#### **II. Key Meeting Discussion Topics**

- 1.) Do we need to define our goal parameters in the document?
- 2.) Housing – Consideration should be made to look at the “whole picture” regarding downtown residential dwellings.
- 3.) “What do we want downtown to look like?”

#### **III. Motions and Votes**

None

#### **IV. Actions to be Taken**

Sub-group discussions regarding clarification of Goal Statements.

Mobility – Group as a whole recommended that this subgroup clarify the intent of what they mean in regards to a “downtown parking inventory”. It was also suggested that this sub-group clarify what is meant by studying other similar sized cities in regards to how they approach parking downtown.

It was determined that “baseline” downtown parking inventory meant the current inventory of parking spaces and structures, not future projected parking needs.

It was determined that similar sized cities may include “college town” cities such as Ames, Iowa and Lawrence, KS. If Downtown Visioning group doesn't like how a city approaches “downtown parking,” group is free to not consider that city's approach to this issue.

Investments - Minor word changes were made to Goal Statements 1 and 3.  
(Subgroup later considered these changes following Mr. Teddy's presentation).

Housing – Review of Housing Statements was ended so that Richard Stone could make a presentation to the Mobility subgroup.

Mr. Richard Stone, City Traffic Engineer, made comments to the mobility group and other interested members.

Mr. Tim Teddy followed with a presentation on the Downtown/University opportunity study (aka Sasaki Plan).

No formal actions were agreed to or taken by the Downtown group as a whole during this meeting. However, it was noted that staff will arrange to have Mr. Ken Koopmans, Transportation Manager with the City's Public Works Department, be available to discuss downtown parking issues.