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Burlington Planning Commission Long Range Planning Committee Meeting Notes

**Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 5:30pm
Public Works Meeting Room, 645 Pine Street**

1. Announcements

Charles Norris-Brown read a prepared statement to the Committee regarding a proposal to hold a community forum on the creative economy, as well as a future opportunity to create an arts council to oversee BCA and better integrate artists into the planning and decisions around the arts community in Burlington. C. Norris-Brown also discussed artists' dissatisfaction with their role in planBTV South End process.

2. Draft Plan Public Input Strategy

Committee agrees with moving forward to complete the review of the current draft plan by the end of May. Will also set up an additional LRPC meeting for the purpose of inviting any final public comments on the current draft, so that they can be incorporated into the edits made by Goody Clancy. Look for a date at the end of May.

The Committee agreed to meet on May 2, May 11, May 17 and one other date to complete its discussion of the draft plan.

3. planBTV: South End Plan

Staff completed a presentation from the March 23 meeting regarding the revised plan's framework. This included a discussion of the experiences of the South End as a mixed use neighborhood, and as an industrial area. Committee comments included:

- Should go farther than "encouraging" best management practices to protect Englesby Brook; should require cutting-edge solutions. Next big issue will be application of salt and guidelines for management of impacts on water sources. This will be addressed in more detail in the Stormwater element and should include the same aspirations for stormwater as previously discussed about energy and sustainability.
- South Cove neighborhood and other residential communities around Industrial Parkway need better connections to Red Rocks Park and other multimodal infrastructure. Need

to make distinction that there aren't necessarily a lot of destinations within the industrial area, but a place people walk through and around to get to other destinations, so it needs to be walkable. This infrastructure may not look like formal bike lanes on streets, but maybe more like off-road paths and trails. Do need a sidewalk at least on Industrial Avenue.

- What is future use of tank farm site? Do agree that it should be industrial/maker uses, maybe not residential as it is currently zoned. Leave draft plan note as is and discuss at next meeting if there are additional thoughts on this.

Staff also briefly revisited the Arts and Affordability and Economic Development sections of the plan to review how these had been updated. It was noted that the rewritten sections would be sent on to Goody Clancy to incorporate into revised draft.