

Written Comments from the Atlas Waterfront COR (Community Organization Representatives) Vision Group Meeting

“Other” Answer Responses for Polling Activity at the February 7, 2018 Event

Question 5: *Which of the following public facilities does the community need most?*

- General Event Center, similar to IE-INB in Spokane
- Non-Motorized Boat Launch
- Community Event/Engagement Center
- Medical Clinics

Question 6: *What are your preferences for the commercial uses of the project?*

- Entertainment Venues
- Medical Offices
- Recreational Rental Kiosk

Question 10: *Given the proximity to the Spokane River, what environmental components should be incorporated?*

- Water Quality
- Reduction of water usage
- Parking

Additional Written Feedback Received at the February 7, 2018 Event

- Due to boat wake and just boat traffic will not allow SAFE swimming or water use. This real value is use of the land side near the shore of the river. The valuable waterfront area should be heavy commercial like food and beverage vendors, walking, and casual rest areas. Play areas should not be on the expensive waterfront area. Boats on docks are an invite to noise and problems.
- Shoreline Bike Path
- Our concerns are generally related to water safety and use and what the activities bring to the area by way of tourism. This is because the jail population increases with the amount of tourists during different times of the year

Written Feedback received via email after the Event

- The waterfront site is not suitable for medical use. The medium density housing selected by the group at Wednesday's meeting is the best possible outcome for the site.
- The City should own - in perpetuity - the entire shoreline, from the waterfront to a distance of 150 feet inland, even if City ownership delays funding.
- Ensure that any development along the shoreline does not remove any riparian buffer. Riparian buffers reduce the amount of sediment that can reach our watershed during a rain event which can also increase the amount of phosphorus in our lake and river. Phosphorus is a concern for the long term health of our lake and watershed. We request that you do not allow any variances that could lead to the removal of shoreline vegetation.
- A fiscally conservative approach to public expenditures should be followed with decisions balanced against other city needs & focused on the best returns on investment.
- A combo event/entertainment/convention/sports facility should be looked at heavily. This type of facility has been talked about for years here but there is obviously not enough perceived profit for the private sector to assume the risk. There may, however, be a small enough profit or a "break even" option that could make this feasible for the city. A bond or levy may be required...
- "Lot sales" from the remainder parcels needs to be due to "remainder" parcels from public facilities creation and NOT a primary function of this project. We are concerned about platting a full development and then competing with the private market. Possibly selling "lot groupings" to smaller developers will be an option as opposed to selling fully developed lots.