

Neighborhood Dialogue
Summary

Theme	Alternative Names	Priority	Honorable Mention	Total	Suggested Indicators	Conversation	Local Govt-Good	Local Govt-Bad
Local Business District	Strong local economy; Healthy Businesses; Vibrant and Accessible Business Environment; Diverse Mix of Businesses; Community Base Businesses	7	1	8	Shop local stats, # employees, sales volume, # of businesses, types of businesses, business enter/exit data, vacant store fronts, streetscape factors, abandoned buildings, community gathering spaces, property ownership, neighborhood event affect on economy, # small businesses, sales tax revenue, pedestrian activity, shopping activities, building/sidewalk maintenance, new businesses, business recognition in media, locally owned businesses, local patrons, business turnover, business licenses, chamber of commerce, small business loans, economic diversity index	aesthetically pleasing: creates community identity; vibrant local businesses; support local businesses; healthy business; local businesses; regarding city responsiveness at dinner: businesses will not invest until public safety improves (Broadway)- but at same time, safety is a result of low unemployment and can not improve until investment is made		zoning and development support; design guidelines (most neighborhoods); design guidelines not implement
Safety	Public Safety	6	3	9	street lights, sex offender locations, auto theft/vandalism, sidewalk conditions, street furniture, crosswalks, drug activity, active police presence, bus stop conditions, police per capita, crime, block watch groups, outside activities of neighborhood residents, blindspots, public inebriation, transient population, police response time, proactive police work, public health reports, police assignments, safety alerts	safe community; public safety- #1 concern (Capitol Hill, E. Ballard, and Uptown representatives)- mentioned public inebriation- "no one addressing community concerns at the city"; safety is important- viability questioned: <i>see above for comments on Broadway and business investment related to public safety</i> ; need to get people to come together and talk about public safety; group discussed what problems they faced in the community (safety concerns) and why they had these problems	Seattle Night Out-block parties supported by Police Dept.; Police responsiveness in NBH and Uptown; community Police Team (NBH)	drugs and crime (CH); loss of beat cops (LC); Loss of community police teams (LC); traffic safety; (see in transportation)
Transportation	Affordable and Convenient Transportation Options	6	1	7	bus stop conditions/connections (intervals), # linear feet of new sidewalks, sidewalk repair stats, # people who walk to work, frequency of buses, # of bus shelters, traffic counts, traffic signal timing, 911 accident reports, pedestrian counts, mode split, # bike lanes, sidewalk conditions, roadway conditions, signage, streetlights	alternative modes of transportation and mix use neighborhoods depend on one another. Light rail, no parking; diverse and affordable transportation (shouldn't have to own a car); parking	Water Taxi Shuttle Service	parking; working with SDOT on parking and traffic and pedestrian safety;
Neighborhood Activism	Strong Community Identity; Diverse and Inclusive; Strong Neighborhood Activism; Connected Community; Empowered Neighborhoods; Empowered Community	6		6	foreign born, ability to speak English, affordable housing, small business vitality, local talent/skills, mix of business, alternative lifestyles, mixed housing, cultural variation, volunteering, historic structures, city funding for community groups, active community members, neighborhoods with adopted design guidelines, community media, number of organizations, community gathering places, NMF applicaitons, neighborhors known, voter participation, polling/story telling	more community interaction- empowering neighborhoods/transportation; Aesthetically pleasing- creates community identity, walkability; local community identification; sharing local knowledge through local media; local involvement: local activism, local organizations; people becoming marginalized; levels of vitality; City Council does not have investment in neighborhood- no district representation; community organizations and councils need to step up. Lack of involvement; people with resources don't know people who need them; need to know who to go to but there are splintered groups		
Responsive City Government		5	3	8	(better) representation at city/council levels, reponse to citizen calls/letters, public/private parterships that address neighborhood improvements, communication from city hall, better strategizing with neighborhoods in general, ability to track work orders completed, follow-up, evidence of interdepartmental communication, city represenation in community/personal attention, grant dollars, complaints, methods City uses to reach out	city building regulations that change neighborhood bldg. codes/land use changes (includes parking and parking changes); SDOT not responsive enough: starting a project and not hearing peoples concerns, not present for duration to ensure quality project (ie. Greenwood sidewalk replacement project; E.Ballard- how to get projects started? John Gessner of Uptown- claimed that bicycle cops have made a difference at the street level, but it took the residents years to get this; city is not planning for future problems: shortsighted and unresponsive city planning; theory about city funds: "Rabbit Garden" the city puts out little pots of money so the neighborhoods don't try to get at the real funds available; in discussion of public safety- brought up that for problems to get resolved, residents need to know who to contact in the city- squeaky wheel problem; city government is overworked; process is too long; politics; need to do studies on return of investment; official connectors in city; city needs to reach out better; government makes decisions for people; budgets don't reflect accurately of projects	libraries	lack of responsiveness to neighborhoods (traffic signals etc.); addressing abandoned buildings; no support in Wallingford; zoning and development support; design guidelines (most neighborhoods); design guidelines not implemented after a year in city council (LC); coordinating projects

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Affordable Housing	Housing Options; Lifetime Housing; Diverse Housing	4	5	9		affordability- mixed use, density, diversity; more opportunities for housing		
Environment	Green Infrastructure; Natural Habitat	4	3	7		green infrastructure- green/natural habitat, open/friendly space; environmental-natural habitat, open spaces, parks; environment/open space: community space; invasive species		
Education		4	2	6		good schools lined to thriving neighborhood and good business district		
Youth Opportunities	Youth Agenda	2	2	4		community and city need to step out of the box in regards to youth problems		
Built Environment		2	1	3		much of the conversation revolved around built environment and aesthetics creating community identity; many of the suggestions leaned toward strong aesthetics drawing people into the community and increasing their involvement in order to maintain aesthetic quality		
Diverse & Inclusive		1	1	2		diverse neighborhood; Street youth, ethnic groups, alternative lifestyle groups- this diversity creates some misunderstanding (on Broadway- Capitol Hill)		
Place & Way to Connect		1		1		sense of community; place to gather and the skills to connect; Observation (Lisa): older group and participants cited public safety and lifespan housing options (more than other groups)		
Localized Media		1		1		it creates a local exchange of ideas; never considered important		
Social & Cultural		1		1		social service centers- need to support them; cultural resources; social services		
Jobs/Housing Balance			2	2		work opportunities in neighborhoods		
Clean			2	2		clean neighborhoods; no graffiti; clean streets; vandalism of public spaces at night		
Green Space			1	1		parks- concerns with homelessness in parks; Discovery Park not cared for	parks	
Community Organization			1	1			DON and community organizing	