

Land Use Planning

Thursday, July 27, 2006, 7:30 am

Attendees: Emily Bratcher, Bernardo Hernandez, Deb Horner, Jeanne Olson, Torie Foote, Jim Dodson and Paul Metz.

The following Key Issues for Land Use Planning were discussed:

- Northern Design (long term)
- Land Use Planning **and** Transportation (short term and long term)
- GU1 Zoning (short term)
- Community Economic Vision (short term)
- Inventory of Land Resources
- Energy Sustainability
- Education
- Incentives
- Group Connectivity (Partnerships)

The following list of Deliverables was created:

- Develop a “sounding” board
- Assess what is in planning now
- Create a viable vision
- Reuse plans
- Public image education campaign (slogan)
- Build public, private & government partnerships

The following Assets were defined:

- Community input – passion
- University of Alaska Fairbanks
- Rivers
- High mineral potential
- Natural environment
- Diverse population
- Strategic location
- Open space
- Unique

The following Liabilities were defined:

- Lowered amount of buildable land
- Transient/unengaged population
- Communication network
- Unplanned public space
- “Bureaucracy”
- Lack of “quality” standards, e.g. box stores
- “Frontier” mindset (make quick bucks any old way).

The next meeting for Land Use Planning was set for Tuesday, August 8, 2006, at 11:30 am. The meeting will take place at the FEDC office.