



COMMENT CARDS FROM FEB 6 OPEN HOUSE

Comment: Downtown Strategy too broad, big, unaffordable, etc. Fails to consider unintended costs, limited revenues, declines state support because of K-1 funding requirements. Need for appropriate public/private partnerships. Need to focus on Capitol Way/Union Street development.

Comment: I was very surprised not to see Columbia identified as a potential corridor – its hill is gentler than 4th Ave, it's a quieter street and one that runs all the way from the State Capitol to Farmers Market. Would tie in well with access to Capitol Lake. The other north-south streets would involve taking parking away through the retail core we are trying to encourage, also conflicts with heavy bus traffic around the transit center!

Comment: I want to see/use bathrooms that are accessible 24 hours. I want to have a community garden to work in at the Artesian well so I can have a place to grow my own flowers/food because living downtown I don't have that space. I want lots of affordable housing – rent that is affordable according to the jobs/incomes most people I know ranges \$550-800. Any higher is oppressive. I want an actual grocery store that can compete with Thriftway as they are so damn expensive!