

### Downtown Strategy



#### **Communication Tools**

We will use a variety of methods to inform and engage the public in the development of the Downtown Strategy.

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## Inform

- Website
- Info Sheets and maps
- Flyers, posters and displays
- Utility bill insert
- City E-Newsletter
- Social media –
  Facebook & Twitter
- TCTV announcements
- Street banner
- News Releases
- Media articles (hopefully)
- Email notices

## Consult

- April Open House
- Public comments
- Staff presentations for community groups
- Possible Survey (maybe Olyspeaks)

## Involve

- Public Workshops
- Advisory Boards
- Possible online discussion group on Olyspeaks

## Collaborate

- Planning Commission
- 'Stakeholders'

# IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation



Increasing Level of Public Impact

#### **Public** participation goal

To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.

Inform

#### Consult

To obtain public feedback on analysis, alternatives and/or decisions.

#### Involve

To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.

#### Collaborate

To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.

#### **Empower**

To place final decision-making in the hands of the public.

#### **Promise** to the public

We will keep you informed. We will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.

We will work with you to ensure that your concerns and aspirations are directly reflected in the alternatives developed and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.

We will look to you for advice and innovation in formulating solutions and incorporate your advice and recommendations into the decisions to the maximum extent possible.

We will implement what you décide.

#### Example techniques

- Fact sheets
- Web sites
- Open houses
- Public comment
- Focus groups
- Surveys
- Public meetings
- Workshops
- Deliberative polling
- Citizen advisory committees
- Consensusbuilding
- Participatory decisionmaking
- Citizen juries
- Ballots
- Delegated decision