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Introduction

The purpose of a neighborhood action plan is to identify issues that are of concern to the residents of the neighborhood, and to devise strategies for addressing these concerns. In conjunction with broader policies and implementation measures contained within the City's comprehensive plan, the neighborhood action planning process is intended to protect and enhance the livability within specific neighborhoods, as well as to help fulfill the overall community vision and to create a more livable city. More specifically, neighborhood action plans are intended to:

- •Educate both city government and neighborhood residents about each other's concerns and visions for the future.
- Promote collaboration between the city and the neighborhood in order to achieve mutual goals and a shared sense of responsibility.
- •Create a "sense of place" within the community by identifying and developing the assets within each neighborhood.
- Initiate change, rather than simply react to it, by addressing specific issues and opportunities.
- Achieve sensible and coordinated project and program planning within each neighborhood and between all the city's neighborhoods.
- ■Strengthen neighborhoods.

Relationship to the Comprehensive Plan

In general, a comprehensive plan is intended to provide broad policy direction, which is implemented through more specific development regulations and capital expenditure programs. Comprehensive plans do not, however, typically address the more immediate needs and concerns of individual neighborhoods. This is the purpose of a sub-area or neighborhood plan.

The City's Comprehensive Plan, entitled *Vancouver: Comprehensive Plan 2003-2023*, was adopted on May 3, 2004. Vancouver is a city of neighborhoods. The City of Vancouver formally recognizes 60 neighborhood associations that include almost 90 percent of the City's population. Since 1994, most neighborhoods have developed Neighborhood Action Plans, which contain recommendations for issues of local concern such as public safety, traffic, housing, and land use. These plans are not formally adopted as part of the comprehensive plan, but they are consistent with the plan's direction, and are submitted for review and acceptance by the Vancouver City Council.

The purpose of the Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association Action Plan is to integrate neighborhood needs into the City's budget process, Six-Year Street Improvement Program, Neighborhood Traffic Control Program, Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan, and other planning and funding programs. The general policy statements included in the Action Plan may also be used by the City Council to guide future decisions involving development proposals and plan amendments affecting the neighborhood.

The Neighborhood Action Planning Process

The Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association, with assistance from the City of Vancouver Office of Neighborhoods, has developed this plan. The actual preparation of this plan is being coordinated by the Neighborhood Action Planning Committee, whose members were appointed by the Neighborhood Association to represent the interests of the neighborhood as a whole.

A survey was taken and a draft version of this Action Plan has been made available for review and comment by all residents of the neighborhood via delivery of the FCNA community newsletter. After considering and reconciling comments from the residents, the Neighborhood Association according to their specific by-laws has endorsed the plan. After neighborhood approval, the Plan will be forwarded to City Council for consideration and acceptance by resolution.

It is intended that city agencies will utilize the action plan as input in developing more specific work programs and helping to establish citywide funding priorities. It is recognized that many of the recommendations contained in the action plans are conceptual only and may need to be analyzed in greater detail, both individually and in relationship to other recommendations. It should also be emphasized that financial resources may not exist for implementing all of the recommendations identified in the plan.

Overview of the Plan

This Plan contains four components. The NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE contains a general description of the current conditions within the neighborhood. The VISION STATEMENT describes the neighborhood's sense of identity and vision for its future. The NEIGHBORHOOD OBJECTIVES identifies issues that are of concern to the residents of the neighborhood. The NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION STEPS includes specific potential strategies for accomplishing the identified objectives. Each Action Step is prioritized and identifies the responsible parties for implementing those strategies.

Funding and Financial Resources

Having the Neighborhood Action Plan does not guarantee funding to carry out the Action Steps. The Vancouver City Council does appropriate grant money each year via Neighborhood Action Planning and matching grant programs to help implement Action Steps. In addition, neighborhoods may be eligible for many private, federal, and state funding programs.

Neighborhood Profile

The Fisher's Creek neighborhood is located approximately 10 miles east of the Vancouver city center. The neighborhood, which occupies approximately 100 square blocks with over 700 homes, is bounded on the south by the Fisher Quarry, Smith Quarry and highway 14, on the west by SE 172nd Ave., on the north by 34th Street, and on the east by 192nd Ave. Southeast 172nd St., Hiddenbrook Drive and SE 192nd Avenue are the main arterials within the neighborhood boundaries.

Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association (FCNA) was recognized as the City of Vancouver's 60th neighborhood association in 2002.

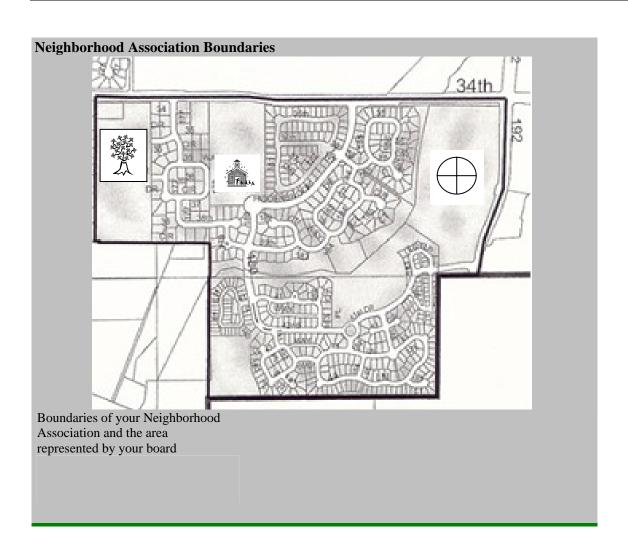
The Fisher's Creek neighborhood is situated around Fisher's Creek. The soil is composed of sand and gravel-sized deposits, along with larger rocks left from glacial outbursts from the ancient Lake Missoula which swirled around Camas' Prune Hill, 10,000 years ago.

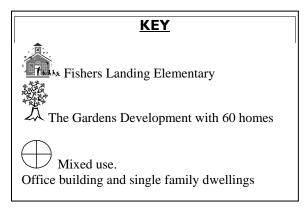
The neighborhood, although predominantly single family dwellings, provides a mix of residential lots of varying sizes and includes an elementary school and future office building. The westernmost section of the neighborhood was developed first, beginning in the mid 1990s. From there various developers completed a number of subdivisions. These developments now comprise the Fisher's Creek neighborhood. The variety of builders and timing in development, lends to a mix of architectural style. These differences in style combined with maturing trees providing timberline views; give our neighborhood a traditional Northwest look and feel. Cul-de-sacs, circles and loops off of the main arterials enhance the privacy of much of the neighborhood. A number of the homes located primarily near the southern border, are used as rentals. A few of the streets within the neighborhood do not have sidewalks. Even though this lends a comfortable rural feel, it also creates a safety issue with the increased neighborhood and cut-through traffic. The 1.9-acre Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Park, completed in August 2004, provides a playground for children and gathering spot for neighbors.

Fisher's Creek neighborhood children attend the Fisher's Landing Elementary School, Shahala Middle School, and Mountain View High School.

Residents of the Fisher's Creek neighborhood have exceptional access to local shops and services, some located within walking distance.

Neighborhood Map





Vision Statement

We envision ourselves as a family-oriented community that strives to preserve, protect and enhance the quality of life in our neighborhood. As residents, we're committed to maintaining the safety of the streets and sidewalks, as well as preserving existing trees and open spaces. Attention to these issues will increase the quality of life for all who live here, especially our children.

Through our efforts, Fishers Creek Neighborhood Association aims to increase community awareness, and be proactive on those issues that affect residential property values.

Our community intends to be an active partner with neighboring communities and the City of Vancouver. Our participation in planning for traffic control, construction of and maintenance of a park, and growth management will improve livability for not only our current residents, but for future neighbors and the city as a whole.

Objectives and Action Steps

The following recommended action items identified as having a "high" priority are considered by the Neighborhood Association to be most important. "Medium" priority action steps are somewhat less important. "Low" priority action steps are considered least important.

The Neighborhood Association for each action step has assigned priority without regard for the time frame within which the recommendation can realistically be accomplished (short-range, long-range) and without concern for whether funding sources can be practically identified. Accordingly, it is possible that a "High" priority item may not be realized for many years. In contrast, some "Low" priority items could be potentially accomplished in a relatively short amount of time without significant capital expense.

Listed below are abbreviations for the various responsible parties used throughout the document:

ABBREVIATIONS:

B/D Builders & Developers

BNSF Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad

CCAC Clark County Animal Control
CCE Clark County Code Enforcement
CITY All Responsible City Departments

CPU Clark Public Utilities

C-TRAN C-TRAN

DRS Development Review Services
ESD Evergreen School District

FCNA Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association

FOT Friends of Trees
FG Federal Government
GRN "Green" Organizations

HP Hewlett Packard

HTHAC Hiddenbrook Terrace Home Owners Association

LRPS Long Range Planning Services

NTSC Neighborhood Traffic Safety Committee

OON Office of Neighborhoods
OPS Operations Department

OWN Neighborhood Property Owners

QFC QFC

RM Rinker Materials

SW Solid Waste Department SOW State of Washington

Tri-Met Tri-Met

VCE Vancouver Code Enforcement

V-CPRD Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Department V-CPRF Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Foundation

VFD Vancouver Fire Department
VPD Vancouver Police Department
VTS Vancouver Transportation Services

VUF Vancouver Urban Forestry

WSDOT Washington State Department of Transportation

I. COMMUNITY APPEARANCE

Objective #1

To encourage neighbors to maintain the visual appearance of their home and property, which helps preserve and enhance the overall neighborhood livability.

Fisher's Creek Neighborhood residents realize that their well-maintained homes, property and streets contribute to the overall character and quality of life in the area. Through active neighborhood association participation, personal responsibility, code enforcement, and stronger city ordinances, we wish to promote regular maintenance and upkeep of properties in our neighborhood, fostering a sense of pride throughout.

Action Steps	Priority	Responsible Parties
■Continue annual clean-up day and chipper day.	Medium	FCNA, OON, SW
Enhance our dedicated park (Fisher's Creek Park)	Medium	FCNA, V-CPRD
 In cases where homeowners associations do not exist, encourage residents to alert appropriate parties of any violations concerning: I.Abandoned cars, 2.Compliance with junk keeping ordinances, 3.Unkempt homes/properties (rentals, bank foreclosures, etc.) 	High	FCNA, VCE
Executive Board of FCNA shall support stronger ordinances to foster neighborhood appearance.	Medium	FCNA
Develop a plan to replace street trees that are dying or have died.	Medium	FCNA
Encourage residents to recognize the benefits of trees and protect them from unnecessary removals.	High	FCNA, FOT, VUF

To save our mature trees and open spaces, and preserve the overall appearance of Fisher's Creek.

Fisher's Creek residents want to address the issue of street trees within the community that are diseased or have died. Additionally, the residents hope to preserve the 'wooded' nature of Fisher's Creek Park. Our "woods" are part of who we are.

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Action Steps:	<u>Priority</u>	Responsible Parties	
Identify and plant new trees on streets without them.	Medium	FCNA, VUF, VTS, OON, CITY, FOT	
Coordinate neighborhood tree planting for street trees maximizing canopy cover for environmental benefits such as storm water abatement and air quality.	Medium	FCNA, VUF, VTS, OON, City, FOT	
•Maintain and/or preserve our older, mature trees.	Medium	FCNA, OON, CITY, VUF	
•We recognize the benefits that trees have on property values and encourage neighbors to incorporate native conifer trees in the landscapes to rebuild and reestablish the timberlines and ridges that reflect the native regional landscape of Vancouver.	Medium	FOT, VUF	

II. COMMUNITY BUILDING

Objective #1

To encourage neighbors to maintain our strong sense of community, continue to foster neighborly relationships, and continue to be an active partner with our neighboring communities and the City of Vancouver.

All residents feel more relaxed, safe, and secure when they know their neighbors and look out for each other. The Fisher's Creek Neighborhood values the many community resources (such as schools, local businesses, shopping, etc.) that exist nearby and appreciates the opportunities they provide.

Action Steps:	<u>Priority</u>	Responsible Parties
Encourage neighbors to start Neighborhood Watch program.	High	FCNA, VPD
Continue with annual events such as picnic/potluck, garage sale, etc.	Medium	FCNA
Develop more activities, events, and fundraisers sponsored by Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association.	Medium	FCNA
Strengthen relationship with the owners of the Grotto, the businesses within the Riverstone shopping center and other non-residential neighbors.	Medium	FCNA, OWN
Grow relationships and build a sense of community by coordinating a neighborhood tree planting and participate in the "Neighbor Woods Program" to promote environmental stewardship.	Medium	FOT, VUF

III. LAND USE / OPEN SPACE

Objective #1

To ensure that the Single Family Dwelling character of the neighborhood is continued.

The residences of Fisher's Creek Neighborhood are all single-family dwellings with one area of common wall homes. There are no rental apartments. The zoning for the neighborhood is R-9 - Single Family Residential. The homes in our neighborhood are affordable, with a mix of price ranges from moderate to high end. It is in our best interest to ensure that the single family dwelling character of the neighborhood is maintained.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
 Work with the various city departments to ensure only Single Family Dwellings are built within our boundaries. 	Medium	FCNA, CITY, DRS, LRPS
 Work with Planning and Developers to determine proper "infill" for our neighborhood. 	Medium	FCNA, DRS, LRPS, B/D

Objective #2

Preserve and protect the current natural undeveloped open spaces within our neighborhood boundaries and work towards official recognition of designated open spaces.

We believe our trees are an important part of the city's tree canopy for a number of reasons: absorbing carbon dioxide, releasing oxygen and improving air quality, reducing water runoff into the public drainage system, and facilitating the replacement of groundwater. We also believe that Fisher's Creek is an important part of the neighborhood's open spaces and is vital to preserving and maintaining the area's natural habitat. We are willing to work with the Urban Forestry Commission to apply governmental regulations to preserve Fisher's Creek and the current canopies that exist in our neighborhood.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
Take the necessary steps to get official open space designation.	Low	FCNA, V-CPRD, VUF, SOW, GRN
Actively work with all non-residential neighbors for preservation of Fisher's Creek, trees and open spaces.	Low	FCNA, CITY, B/D, ONA, FOT
Apply for grants to fund the maintenance of the open spaces, Fisher's Creek and trees.	Low	FCNA, OON, V-CPRD, VUF, SOW & Oregon, GRN, FG, FOT
Strive to increase our tree canopy to reach the City's average.	Low	FOT, VUF

Attain full development and utilization of the existing neighborhood park (Fisher's Creek).

The area encompassed by Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association has several natural undeveloped areas and one neighborhood park, Fisher's Creek. Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association and its residents wish to have Fisher's Creek Park completed to Level III in the near future. The Firstenberg Center, Haagen Community Park and Pacific Community Park are proposed Community Parks/Center. The land has been purchased and funding to bring the parks to Level II completion is secure, but future REET funding has been committed to debt service for the Firstenburg Center and Marshall Center improvement. Community Parks are typically larger areas (20-100 acres) and have enough room for several team sports to run concurrently (baseball, football, soccer) on defined fields. Since Fisher Basin is currently the only Community Park on the eastern portion of Vancouver, these Community parks would greatly add to the quality of life in the Fisher's Creek Neighborhood.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
•Work with the Vancouver Parks and Recreation Department in developing Fisher's Creek Park to Level III.	High	FCNA, V-CPRD
Apply for grants to further enhance Fisher's Creek Park development.	High	FCNA, V-CPRD, SOW & Oregon, FG, GRN
Executive Board of Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association will take an active roll in supporting and promoting community parks and their development east of Interstate 205.	High	FCNA, V-CPRD, other organizations willing to support and promote community parks.

Maintain the "Woods" in the Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association boundaries by working with the city to plant, maintain, and replace trees in our neighborhood.

There are numerous single standing trees, many newly planted, throughout the neighborhood. Some areas, specifically along the creek and near the park, have trees over 40' tall and several decades old, other have newer trees planted by the developer. There are also trees in the right of way planted by a governmental agency (either city or county). The developed and undeveloped areas of our neighborhood should have more trees. More trees would enhance the environment by reducing noise, cleaning the air, reducing energy costs, providing wildlife habitat and giving a more pleasant atmosphere to our neighborhood.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
•Work with the city to ensure that proper maintenance is done on all trees that it is responsible for.	Medium	FCNA, OPS
Support legislation for the city to maintain street trees (trees between the sidewalk and the street).	Medium	FCNA, City, FOT, OON
 Have an annual neighborhood-wide Chipper Day to encourage proper tree trimming. 	Low	fcna, oon, sw
Encourage neighbors to participate in the city's NeighborWoods Program for Tree Stewardship.	Medium	FCNA, VUF
Encourage and help neighbors to strategically plant native yard trees to maximize benefits such as to reduce heating and cooling costs.	Medium	FCNA, OWN, OON, FOT
Encourage and help neighbors to plant trees in their yards and in undeveloped open spaces.	Medium	FCNA, VUF, OWN, OON, FOT
Apply for grants for tree purchasing/planting, and for tree maintenance.	Medium	FCNA, CITY, OON, VUF, FOT

IV. NOISE & NUISANCE

Objective #1

To maintain the quality of life within our neighborhood by reducing unwanted noise and nuisances.

Our neighborhood is mainly a residential one, with many homes that are in close proximity to major streets (34th and 192nd), which produce unwanted noise. To ensure peaceful coexistence among all residents, we shall work together to discourage common nuisances.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
•Neighbors should demonstrate respect and consideration in controlling pet noise, roaming of pets, and to ensure proper clean up after pets at all times.	Medium	FCNA, CCAC, VPD
 We encourage common courtesy in the use of stereo and other electronic devices in compliance with city regulations. 	Medium	FCNA, VPD
•Encourage safe fireworks celebrations by having parental supervision of children at all times, obeying city ordinances regarding lawful times and dates of usage, and thorough cleanup afterwards.	High	FCNA, VFD, VPD
 Pursue methods to reduce traffic noise in the neighborhood near major streets. 	Medium	FCNA, VTS
 Develop awareness and relationship with Rinker Materials' neighboring quarries on noise-specific issues (i.e. 10pm-7am noise enforcement) (See also under Part V) 	High	FCNA, HTHAC
 Educate parents as to the noise problems mini- bikes and motorized scooters create when ridden on neighborhood streets 	Medium	FCNA, VTS, VPD
•Work with property owners and utility companies to maintain dense and healthy landscaping along arterials.	High	fcna, ops, wsdot, cpu
•Work with transportation departments and local firms to reduce the use of 'jake brakes' through driver education, signage, and code enforcement.	Medium	fcna, vts, wsdot, vpd
•We recognize the benefits that trees have on noise pollution and encourage neighbors to incorporate native conifer trees in landscaping. Plant appropriate street trees to reduce noise levels.	Medium	FOT, VUF

V. SENSITIVE LAND / ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Objective #I

Maintain an open dialogue with Rinker Materials, owners and operators of the Fisher Quarry, in order to maintain awareness of any adverse impact to our neighborhood land use or environment. Foster a sense of mutual sensitivity and positive coexistence between residents and the business.

Impact on environment is high and is expected to increase as mining moves West along perimeter of the Neighborhood boundary. Potential impact on homeowner values is high and FCNA wishes to minimize negative impact.

The Smith Quarry and Pacific Quarry, gravel operations within the Fisher's Creek Neighborhood Association boundaries, have been in operation since the 1890s. They are privately owned and under long-term contract by Rinker Materials for mining, expected to last another 10-15 years. There are residences directly adjacent to the quarry. The two primary issues are the impact of blasting on the homes/structures and industrial noise during early morning hours and late evenings during the summer months. The quarry operators have voiced a desire to be a good neighbor and to maintain positive dialog free of legal intercession.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
Continue to cultivate a dialogue with the owners of the quarries and with the local operations managers. Propose ground rules for minimum requirements.	High	FCNA, HTHAC, RM, CCE
 Determine status of the quarries and future plans of the owners. 	High	FCNA, HTHAC, RM.
Survey community to understand level of impact and concern on these issues	Medium	HTHAC
Continue to work with government agencies, including city and county, to maintain visibility of this issue and find ways to strengthen the position of the neighborhood	Medium	FCNA, HTHAC, RM, CCE

Continue to watch and react to the advances of "The East County Reclamation Center" project through attending meetings, supporting gatherings and letter writing campaigns. Contribute a negative opinion about the project, as it will have severe consequences that will negatively impact the safety of our children, the property values of our homes, the cleanliness of our neighborhoods and would increase truck traffic in our area.

A proposal exists regarding a possible opening of another landfill in Vancouver. The proposed landfill may be more cost effective, with less community impact. Fisher's Creek Neighborhood supports this proposal.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
 Support activities targeted at rejecting the opening of the facility 	Medium	FCNA
 Monitor and support the proposal for an alternate location for a landfill 	Medium	FCNA

VI. TRAFFIC & PUBLIC SAFETY

Objective #I

Increase pedestrian and bicycle access and safety throughout the neighborhood.

Walking and cycling are important sources of recreation and are prevalent within all age ranges within our neighborhood. Many children walk and bike to the Fisher's Landing Elementary School and the neighborhood is popular for walkers.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
 Identify the need for painted crosswalks and encourage installation at all 4-way stop intersections anywhere warranted. 	High	FCNA
 Install painted stop lines at existing unsigned 2- way stop and T intersections anywhere warranted. 	High	NTSC, VTS
 ■Develop bike lanes where they do not exist, as needed or identified through City plans (TSP, SE, NTMP, 'Safe Routes to Schools', etc.) so that they connect to existing or planned regional and neighborhood bikeways. ■34th Street ■Hiddenbrook ■180th Ave./42nd St./41st Dr. 	Medium	FCNA, NTSC, VTS
 Develop stenciled bike routes or 'shared streets' that lead to the regional bikeway network in areas where bike lanes would be inappropriate or impossible to construct. Such routes may provide the intra-neighborhood network for future "Bike to School Routes". 176th Ave./177th Ave./SE Fisher/178th Ave./34th St./ 38th St./179th Ave. 	Medium	FCNA, NTSC, VTS
 Apply for all available grants to achieve traffic and safety objectives. 	Medium	FCNA, CITY, NTSC, OON
•Establish vehicle pick-up/ drop off zones away from school entrances (Fisher's Landing Elementary School) and delayed pick-up/ drop off times for children driven to school by parents, so that children walking and bicycling to school have improved access and safety to schools.	Medium	FCNA, ESD, VTS
•Work with parents and school district to establish "Walking School Bus" programs for parents who desire that their children walk (or bike) to school but are not able to chaperone them every day. This will prepare for the time when school-busing services may be cut.	Medium	FCNA, ESD, VTS

•Install 'Florescent Yellow/Green School Crosswalks' at all pedestrian crossings on identified 'Safe Routes to School'.	Medium	FCNA, ESD, VTS
•Update the existing Fisher's Landing Elementary 'Safe Routes to School' network to include the new neighborhoods internal streets and path connections new and existing.	Medium	FCNA, ESD, VTS
 Establish internal pedestrian connections between new residential and new commercial developments, so that convenient and safe pedestrian routes may exist for shopping and work trips. 	Medium	fcna, drs, vts
•Work with the City on signing walking and bike routes through the area.	Medium	FCNA, VTS
■Determine the appropriate authority on the proposed 192 nd bike path and park and work with them to ensure there is appropriate and safe access from our neighborhood.	Medium	FCNA, VTS
 Coordinate neighborhood tree planting to use street trees as traffic calming and increase traffic safety through separation from traffic. 	Medium	VTS, VUF, FOT

Institute an active crime watch program in all parts of the neighborhood.

An active neighborhood crime watch program can be an effective deterrent to crime and would promote a greater sense of security for residents. It can also be a way for neighbors to meet one another and can become a starting point for working together to achieve other goals.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
 Maintain a liaison with the Vancouver Police Department East Precinct. 	High	FCNA, VPD
 Create a program to keep team captains active and informed, including encouraging team meetings. 	High	FCNA, VPD
•Maintain current phone trees and create new ones.	Medium	FCNA
■Put up Crime Watch signage	Medium	FCNA, VPD
■Hold a team captain meeting at least annually.	High	FCNA
■Hold a practice drill annually.	High	FCNA
•Educate residents about crime prevention measures such as dead bolt locks, motion detectors, and personal safety awareness.	Medium	FCNA, VPD

Encourage safe driving habits in the neighborhood.

Vehicular speed is a serious and common problem for most neighborhoods. Just the increase in vehicular speed from 20 mph to 30 mph increases the probability of pedestrian death due to collisions from 5% to 45% - almost a 1 in 2 chance of mortality. It is viewed primarily as a public safety issue, however higher speeds also increase noise levels and create an added threat to pets and native animals. We recognize that problems stem from both cut-through traffic and neighborhood residents and visitors.

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Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
Identify strategic location and pursue installation of traffic calming devices such as speed bumps, trees and traffic circles.	Medium	FCNA, NTSC, VTS, VUF, FOT
 Lobby for appropriate speed and stop sign enforcement by Vancouver Police Department. 	High	VTS, FCNA, VPD
Identify locations for additional posted speed limit signs and pursue installation.	Medium	fcna, vts, ntsc
■Pursue the use of "radar reader boards" to accurately measure and report speeds.	Low	VTS, FCNA, VPD
•Work with neighborhood volunteers to record vehicle speeds displayed by "radar reader board/ speed watch trailer".	Low	FCNA
 Apply for all available grants to achieve traffic and safety objectives. 	High	VTS, NTSC, FCNA, VPD, OON
 Coordinate neighborhood tree planting to use street trees as traffic calming and increase traffic safety through separation from traffic. 	Medium	FOT, VUF
•We recognize the benefits trees have on noise pollution and encourage neighbors to incorporate native conifer trees in the landscapes to reduce noise levels.	Medium	FOT, VUF
 Work to implement neighborhood Traffic Safety projects identified in the recent SE Neighborhood Traffic Safety Plan Project I5: SE 34th St. Intersection Improvements (\$1.4 M est.) 	High	FCNA, VTS, NTSC, C-TRAN
■Support the establishment of a future 'southern route' out of the neighborhood to connect with Brady Road/ 192 nd Ave. This street would minimize cut-through traffic now using the northern street network and help provide for enhanced pedestrian and emergency responder access into the southern section of FCNA.	High	FCNA, VTS, NTSC, VFD

Promoting a safe environment for all residents.

The overall safety of all residents of Fisher's Creek is one of our highest priorities. As our neighborhood is highly residential, we have an ideal environment for residents of all ages to enjoy the outdoors. With this, however, come additional responsibilities necessary to maintain the safety and well being of all residents.

Action Steps:	Priority	Responsible Parties
Encourage neighbors to follow principles of responsible pet ownership, focusing on scoop laws and leash usage.	High	FCNA, CCAC
Encourage adult neighbors to maintain responsibility for their children who may be playing outside of their home.	Medium	FCNA. OWN
Ensure that lighting outages are reported and responded to in a timely manner. Follow-up on prolonged repair time.	High	FCNA, OPS
Promote a neighborhood watch program	Medium	FCNA, VPD

VII. REGIONAL MOBILITY

Objective #I

To maintain and enhance the movement of people not vehicles.

Our neighborhood is mainly a residential one, with many homes that are in close proximity to major regional highways and arterials (SR-14, 34th, and 192nd) and regional shopping and job centers, which produce unwanted traffic noise, air and water pollution, and degraded traffic safety during peak traffic periods.

Action Steps:	<u>Priority</u>	Responsible Parties
 Work with surrounding employers (ETC coordinators) and transit providers to improve transit service headways and minimize single occupant vehicle commutes Shuttle to HP from Fisher's Landing Transit Center C-TRAN Connector Service to Camas Support future regional transit service enhancements or opportunities (commuter rail to Camas/Washougal, 205 MAX to Van Mall, bus rapid transit, etc.) 	Medium	FCNA, VTS, DRS, HP, QFC, C-TRAN, Tri-Met, BNSF
•Work with HP and surrounding neighborhood associations to minimize negative effect of HP's parking lot expansion project(s) through design mitigations and commute trip reduction activities.	Medium	FCNA, City, HP
 Work to implement regional Neighborhood Traffic Safety projects identified in the recent SE Neighborhood Traffic Safety Plan. Project I5: SE 34th St. Intersection Improvements (\$1.4 M est.) 	Medium	fcna, vts, vfd
 Work with City and other neighborhood associations to complete regional pedestrian and bikeway networks. I. Village at Fisher's Landing NA 2. Fisher's Landing East NA 	Medium	FCNA, VFD, City, VTS