Reading the Draft Visioning Implementation Report

This report addresses many different aspects of visioning. Each section has an introduction explaining its purpose and organization. Here are some suggestions for reading the report:

- ♦ Start by reading the Overview and Vision Statements. After reading the overview, you might read the introductions for each section. Every introduction outlines how a given section is organized and explains why it has been organized in that way.
- ♦ Review the grouping of goals and strategies from the 2007 Vision Report. The 2007 Vision Report emphasized the efficient use of city resources in implementing the vision and recommended that the Draft Implementation Report propose a grouping of goals and strategies. For this reason the report groups the visioning goals into 7 categories which are set forth in Section 2, the "Recommended Grouping of Goals and Strategies". If you want to know more about how the goal groups were formed, read the "Technical Documents on Goal Groupings and Strategies" in Appendix E.
- ♦ Look at the recommendations for actions to be taken during fiscal years 2010 and 2011. Section 3 sets forth recommended steps that could be completed by City government over the next two years. These are arranged according to the same goal groups used in Section 2. You can print out a "miniplan" for each goal grouping by printing out and combining the relevant portions from both Sections 2 and 3.
- ♦ If you would like to learn more about how boards and commissions can integrate citizen dialogue into their decision making process, read Section 4, the "Guidelines for Convening and Collaboration". If you would like to see what organizations have been suggested for roles in implementing a given strategy or how the strategies fit within the 7 goal groups, start with Appendix C, the "Organizations for Collaboration and Coordination".
- ♦ If you would like to learn more about the efforts over the last year of local government entities, citizen groups, non-profits, and private organizations related to implementing the vision, start with Appendix A, the "Inventory of Existing Efforts".
- ♦ If you would like to see a list of outreach efforts and comments received during the development of this Draft Visioning Implementation Report, see Appendix D.

What's Next?

The City Council will review the recommendations in the report during the budgeting process. The newly appointed Columbia Visioning Commission (CVC) is also developing ways to measure the progress made toward realizing the vision and ways to promote ongoing public involvement in the work of implementation. The CVC will issue its first progress report at the end of 2009.