APPENDIX 1 THE SEYMOUR LOCAL PLAN INPUT PROCESS

Council approved in October 1997

In October 1997, District Council unanimously endorsed the community based planning process devised by Seymour community association representatives, specifically for the Seymour area. The defining feature of the process was that it be resident managed, thus charging the community not only with generating ideas; but also with reconciling overlapping visions and choosing priorities for inclusion in the Seymour Local Plan.

The three main organizational elements for the process were:

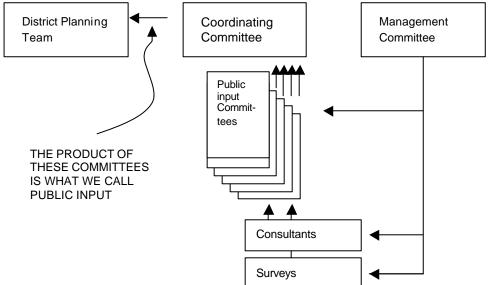
- 1. The Plan Management Committee (PMC): responsible for the overall administration of the process.
- 2. The Public Input Committees (PIC): composed of interested residents and responsible for brainstorming ideas, soliciting public input and compiling this input in seven topic –based areas:
 - Managed Growth & Development
 - Housing and Schools
 - Transportation & Traffic
 - Parks, Environment and Wilderness
 - Community Services
 - Economic Development
 - Arts, Culture and Heritage¹
- 3. The Co-ordinating Committee: made up of one member (or alternate) from each Public Input Committee and responsible for the co-ordination of the work of the PICs into a comprehensive "Community Vision Statement."

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¹ From September 1998 until June 2000, when a separate planning process was approved by Council, Maplewood also formed a separate Public Input Committee. A separate survey process for Youth and a distinct consultation process with Seymour Seniors completed the PIC process.

Diagram illustrating key roles

This process diagram illustrates the Seymour planning process organized and managed by residents of Seymour



Volunteer Plan Management Committee The Plan Management Committee (PMC) worked from the inception of the planning process to guide and facilitate public input and the work of the PICs. They

- Provided committees with materials and tools
- Liased with District staff
- Managed budget, purchasing and other arrangements
- Arranged production and distribution of documents
- Planned and co-ordinated meetings, open houses and other events
- Mediated differences among committees
- Provided liaison between committees.

The volunteer members of the Plan Management Committee were:

Jim Cuthbert (co-chair)
Chris Kwan (co-chair)
Steve Healey
Thom Kline
Tom Young
Angela Trudeau (past member)

Dozens involved through public input committees

From February through September 1998, community volunteers met in Public Input Committees to generate ideas, incorporate public input and apply additional research to their topic areas. In 2001, many of these original members undertook an intensive review of a preliminary draft plan. Members of the Public Input Committees are listed below.

Managed Growth & Development

Eric Andersen (Chair)
Patricia Brantingham
Don Bryant
Alf Cockle
Jim Cuthbert
David Fletcher
Peter Harmer
Patrick Murray
Dietmer Ostrowski
Dave Sadler
Steven Turner

Housing & Schools

Kathy Turner (Chair) Kathy Bryant Dianne Silverwood Jim Porter Helena Galas

Transportation & Traffic

Tom Kralik (Chair) Allan Orr Elizabeth Russell Keith Henderson Steve Healey Parks, Wilderness & Environment

Cas Bohlken (Chair)
Kathy Bryant
Alf Cockle
Myra Falk
Pat Fletcher
Lindsay Gowler
Gill Homan
Barb Murray
Michael Shulte
Catherine Sherlock

Community Services

Jim Cuthbert (Chair) Ken Touzeau David Trudeau Economic Development Glen Kerr (Chair)
Don Bryant
Linda Castagna
Cas Bohlken
Dave Sadler
Bill Jenkins
John Walkley

Arts, Culture & Heritage

Don S. Williams (Chair)
Aryana Pascuzzi
Brian Ellis
Angela Trudeau
Nicola Duffus
Una Fester
Carmen Jones

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Dedicated volunteers

In all, over one hundred residents participated in Seymour Local Plan meetings, volunteering their time, energy and ideas to produce the Community Vision Statement. Many of these residents renewed their efforts in later stages to ensure the final draft reflected community goals.