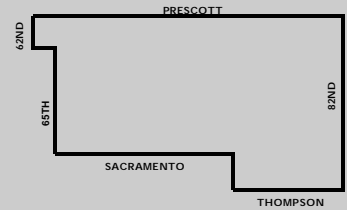




ROSEWAY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION



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APRIL, 2003

Membership in Roseway Neighborhood Association is open to all residents, property owners, government agencies, business licensees and nonprofit organizations located within its boundaries. The Roseway Neighborhood Association welcomes all new residents and businesses to the neighborhood.

INFILL HOUSING ISSUES IN ROSEWAY

BY CHRIS CARUSO, LAND CHAIR

Many of you may have already noticed a pattern of housing development in Roseway. It takes the form of two or more 25 foot wide virtually identical housing units on what you thought was a 5,000 sq. ft. single family lot. This development is called lot segregation and has been promoted by the Bureau of Planning as a way to allow infill on small vacant lots throughout the city. Instead of slowing down as vacant property is developed, the

pace of construction has actually increased in the past two years. It has shifted from building on empty lots to the wholesale destruction of large, viable homes with no review by your neighborhood association, no notification to nearby residents, and no apparent increase in city services. Examples can be found on NE 69th near Prescott, NE 76th near Failing, NE 80th and Siskiyou, and most recently NE 76th near Klickitat. Roseway's lots were originally surveyed around 1905 as 2,500 square foot parcels. For whatever reason, Roseway was developed with one house on two or more parcels, giving us an average lot size of 5,000 sq. ft. Despite this historic development and the current R5 zoning designation for much of Roseway,

the original lots can be segregated because they were platted well before the July 26, 1979 City-imposed cut-off date for minimum lot sizes. Combine this historic platting with our small homes, and it becomes very profitable for developers to purchase an older home, tear it down, split the lots and quickly build multiple, cheap, poorly designed homes in its place. The developer, who is systematically destroying the historic fabric of the neighborhood,

makes 2-3 times his investment and moves on, while we have to live with the results. Only existing R5 zones are subject to this kind of development. All other zones are protected through design review or minimum lot sizes. While the majority of residents have spoken out against lot segregation altogether, it is important to remember that infill will happen for Portland to fulfill its regional obligations. However, we do not believe that historic land maps should be the basis for modern city planning. What we are asking is that these regional efforts be carried through to the neighborhood level and that infill be equally distributed to all zones.

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Neighborhood Association General Meeting April 8

The spring 2003 General Meeting will be held Tuesday April 8, at 7pm at the Grace Lutheran Church, 7610 NE Fremont. All are welcome. This meeting will feature speakers with topics of regional importance. Metro Councilor Rex Burkholder will speak about the roles and responsibilities of our regional government, Metro. The Port of Portland will be providing a speaker who will describe the expansion plans for Portland International Airport. Hope to see you there!



NE 69th Ave—Before



NE 69th Ave—During Demolition



Example of Infill Housing

ROSEWAY DESIGN COMMITTEE

THE RDC although still involved and concerned with the current developments in the neighborhood (see article on page 1) has started a new and exciting focus. We are proud to announce a new grant and volunteer effort to help local business owners draw the needed attention to their storefronts through our **Storefront Improvement Grant**. The idea behind the grant is to bring together the Roseway residential community and the businesses to make a stronger more pedestrian friendly business area. Roseway will donate volunteers and some funds to give business owners incentive to rejuvenate their storefronts. Together we can make a difference in Roseway. Stay tuned for more information on the Storefront Improvement Grant and how to become involved in making Roseway all we know it can be.



Friends of Trees Planting day is Saturday April 5th call Jean Blatner 503-282-2903 for information or to volunteer next year!

SAFETY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AFTER THE BUDGET CUTS

As the city's budget cuts start to hit home, it has become clear that our own safety and monitoring of undesirables in our neighborhood will fall upon the neighborhoods. The police department and correctional institutions will be doing their best to keep up on crime with their limited resources. Police will be responding to calls as before but unfortunately small-time offenders will no longer be processed and held as they used to be. What this means is that we need to form bonds to help each other keep an eye out and become concerned with what is going on within our neighborhood. One of the easier ways to do this and a great way to get to know those people living around you is through creating a block watch program on your block. With a little leg work and a little time you and your neighbors can feel secure knowing that others are keeping an eye out even when you are not around. If you are interested in starting a block watch program please contact Elizabeth Skorohodov at elizabeths@dowa.com or attend the neighborhood association meeting on April 8 to get more information.

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP SCHEDULED FOR MAY 17

Just as you can count on the coming of spring every year, you can count on the Roseway Neighborhood Association annual Spring Clean-Up. Last year's Clean-Up, our sixth in a row, raised over \$1,200.00 for the Roseway Neighborhood Association and removed thousands of pounds of waste material from the neighborhood. With your help, we hope to duplicate last year's success. This year, the Clean-Up will be held on **Saturday, May 17, 2003 in the parking lot of the Gregory Heights Middle School at 7334 NE Siskiyou beginning at 8:30 a.m. and running until 1:30 p.m.** We will have barricades and volunteers to direct traffic and help unload vehicles. The prices are \$5.00 per car, \$15 per truck or trailer, and \$25.00 per car or truck with a trailer. General garbage (as you would put at the end of your driveway), yard debris, wood products, metal products, glass, newspaper, cardboard, and tires will be accepted. Please bring your waste to the site in bags or containers for easy loading and unloading as **loose yard debris or garbage may not be accepted**. Everything except general garbage will be recycled, so we appreciate your help in keeping your waste materials separated for easy removal and disposal. Unfortunately, **hazardous materials, roofing, large appliances, and rocks will NOT be accepted. Additionally, any materials that are too heavy or dangerous for safe unloading may NOT be accepted.** Finally, please remember that the Clean-Up is for neighborhood families. Commercial haulers, dumpers, or contractors will not be allowed to dump. Volunteers are needed for the day of the event! Volunteers will receive free food and beverages and will be allowed to dump their waste for free either before or after their shift. If you would like to volunteer, or if you have any questions about the Clean-Up, please call Jason Posner at 503-460-2815. We hope to see you there!



ROSEWAY NEIGHBORHOOD SPRING CLEANUP VOUCHER SATURDAY, MAY 17 9AM-3PM

GREGORY HEIGHTS MIDDLE SCHOOL
(corner of Siskiyou and 72nd)

**\$5 PER CAR \$15 PER TRUCK
\$25 PER TRUCK or CAR WITH TRAILER**

Items NOT Accepted:
Hazardous materials, Large Appliances, Rocks, Concrete, Roofing, Large amounts of Dirt.
Also, we are not accepting waste from contractors or commercial dumpers

Acceptable items: Wood, Scrap Metal, Tires, Glass Bottles, Newspapers, Cardboard, Yard Debris and Bulky Waste/Trash



REBUILDING TOGETHER PORTLAND IS COMING TO ROSEWAY

by Catherine Wilson

Rebuilding Together Portland is a non-profit organization dedicated to repairing the homes of those who, for various reasons, cannot do the work themselves. It is supported entirely by contributions of time, labor, materials and dollar and there is no cost to the homeowner. In the coming months, a team of volunteers will be working on a house on NE 67th. To be eligible for this program (and applications are accepted year round), the property/inhabitants must be

- 1) owner occupied
- 2) low income; elderly and/or disabled; families with children
- 3) unable both financially and physically to effect repairs themselves
- 4) in the identified target areas

For more information about the program and application process, contact Rebuilding Together Portland at 503-943-7515.



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