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Citizen participation is a hallmark of Oregon's planning program. Our state requires that citizens must be kept informed. Each city and county has a citizen involvement program which describes the method for public participation in each phase of the planning process. Local governments must periodically evaluate their efforts to involve citizens, and if necessary, update their programs. These requirements are established in Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement. This goal specifically requires three actions.

1. A **Committee for Citizen Involvement (CCI)** be established to monitor citizen involvement,
2. A **Citizen Involvement Program (CIP)** be adopted providing for involvement in all phases of the planning process, and
3. That the CIP be reviewed periodically to assure that opportunities [for citizen involvement] continue to be provided.

Committee for Citizen Involvement (CCI)¹ “A local group appointed by a governing body for these purposes: assisting the governing body with the development of a program that promotes and enhances citizen involvement in land use planning; assisting in the implementation of the citizen involvement program; and evaluating the process being used for citizen involvement. A CCI differs from a citizen advisory committee (CAC) in that the former advises the local government only on matters pertaining to citizen involvement and Goal 1. A CAC, on the other hand, may deal with a broad range of planning and land use issues. Each city or county has only one CCI, whereas there may be several CACs.”

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JO CO CCI Josephine County elected to make its Rural Planning Commission act as its Citizen Involvement Committee¹ (CIC).

City of Grants Pass CCI On an ad hoc basis the City of Grants Pass elected to use its Urban Area Advisory Committee (UAAC) and temporary committees as its CCI.

Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) A group of citizens organized to help develop and maintain a comprehensive plan and its land use regulations. Local governments usually establish one such group for each neighborhood in a city or county.



CACs may also be known as neighborhood planning organizations, area advisory committees, or

other local terms. CACs convey their advice and concerns on planning issues to the planning commission or governing body. CACs also convey information from local officials to neighborhood and district residents.

JO CO CACs Josephine County has an established citizen advisory committee (CAC) program.¹ The function of CACs is to review and provide comments on any land use or land division applications in their areas. In 1978 it had 17 CACs, perhaps 14 active. In 2004, after the 1993 Josephine County Ordinance No. 93-13, it had two “certified” CACs out of a possible 19.

More Information

City of Grants Pass CACs The City of Grants established its initial CIP and CIC² when it started comprehensive planning in 1976. Four CACs were formed, one for each city ward. It revised its CIP³ in 1980 during Phase II of its comprehensive planning process, the urban growth plan. Its CIP was acknowledged by the Oregon Land Conservation & Development Commission in 1983. In 2003 the city did not have a CIC nor any CACs.

Have Josephine County and City of Grants Pass CAC programs been successfully implemented? The *Hugo Neighborhood* believes the county's CIC and CAC programs are failing because of a lack of adequate financial and human resources being allocated to support the programs.

More Information Would you like to learn more about citizen involvement in land use planning? Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood*.



1. CCI definition is from the definitions section of the Oregon Statewide Goals.

² Josephine County Ordinance No. 93-13.

³ Resolution No. 866, Appendix 2-A.

³ Resolution No. 1173, Appendix 2-B.

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Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission

This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (*Hugo Neighborhood*). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decision-making. The *Hugo Neighborhood* is an informal nonprofit charitable and educational organization with a land use and history mission promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

Land Use & History

The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote the social welfare of the citizens of the area by working to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and by preserving, protecting, and enhancing the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, as requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

On January 2003 we began the concept of volunteer membership dues. They are \$10.00 annually and will be used for paper, ink, envelopes, publications and mailings. Make checks to the *Hugo Neighborhood* and send them to a member of the Land Use Committee. Send us your e-mail address if you want to know what we are doing.

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