

## URBAN COMMITTEE GOALS & OBJECTIVES

**Goal:** To revitalize central city neighborhoods by preserving and enhancing their unique character through citizen-directed decision-making processes.

### **Objectives**

- 1) Finalize a list of Urban Redevelopment Principles.
  - a) do visualization exercise *[March 2006]*
  - b) form sub-committee to blend draft principles with visualization exercise results *[March-April 2006]*
  - c) approve principles *[May 2006]*
  - d) submit to United Growth Coalition for adoption *[June 2006]*
  
- 2) Actively encourage the City to develop and pass a new Zoning Code by December 31, 2006.
  - a) update ourselves on current zoning code activities and neighborhoods' situation without a Code *[April-May 2006]*
  - b) meet with City Commissioners to explain need for Dec. 31 deadline *[June 2006]*
  - c) monitor progress *[July-December 2006]*
  - d) organize support (identify interested individuals and groups)
  
- 3) Develop tools that will maintain affordable housing in gentrifying neighborhoods *[2007]*
  
- 4) Develop a vehicle that will assist small, local business owners from being displaced from central city neighborhoods. *[2007]*
  
- 5) *[2008]*

Carol's community impact goal: To revitalize central city neighborhoods by developing land use (area-specific) plans that will become amendments to Grand Rapids' Master Plan through partnership with 20% of central city neighborhoods.