



Get Centered! Vancouver B.C.
June 7-9, 2007

- What:** Get Centered! 2007 kicks off with a guided tour of Vancouver, BC – a recognized world leader in successful high-density, mixed-use development and planning in urban and suburban areas. Meet with and learn from developers, planners, and government leaders in Vancouver who together have shaped their dynamic metropolitan region through unique public-private partnerships and design standards. The tour will visit key sites to learn how the Vancouver region has managed to accommodate a similar size population in half the land area while gaining worldwide attention for its livable communities. Visit communities that are comparable to Portland metropolitan area regional and town centers in order to apply examples of growth management strategies.
- Cost:** \$200 if registered by April 30; \$250 for late registration May 1-15
Includes transportation to and from Vancouver, BC by motor coach, lunch all three days, breakfast on Saturday and dinner Thursday. Remaining meals and lodging costs are to be paid directly by tour participants.
- Hotel:** Participants are responsible for reserving and paying for lodging at the Hyatt Regency Vancouver hotel downtown. Metro has secured a group rate of \$196 (Canadian) per night single or double occupancy. Please call the hotel directly at (604) 683-1234 to reserve your room and reference “Metro regional government” to get the group rate.
- Registration:** Space is limited so register early at www.metro-region.org/vancouver or call 503-797-1735.
- Itinerary:** More information and a draft itinerary are available on the Metro website at www.metro-region.org/getcentered. The tour will depart from Metro at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 7 and return at around 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 9. Participants will view and learn about centers development in downtown Vancouver and surrounding regional and municipal town centers like Port Moody, Kitsilano and Coquitlam.
- Participants:** Elected officials from the Metro region, developers, realtors, business leaders, housing experts, and other decision-makers from our community who help create and sustain the livability of our region.
- Hosts:** Metro Council President David Bragdon and Metro Councilors Brian Newman, Carl Hosticka and Kathryn Harrington

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