

Moseley also reiterated the view that the north side of the railroad tracks is not worth preserving in its present condition and is a necessary ingredient to the research park's success.

"While there are some nice things about the north side of the track, there are also some really crummy things," Moseley said.

"This is a former gravel pit operation. It's not like this is some wonderful area," he said.

The area used to be the site of Eugene Sand and Gravel

Company's primary mining and asphalt operation. The University acquired the land through condemnation proceedings in 1968.

Using the area north of the tracks also is necessary because of the research park's professed need of one million square feet of space. The master site plan currently calls for one-third of development north of the tracks and two-thirds south of the tracks.

"If you take the one-third north of the tracks and put south of the tracks then we

would get into a very dense development south of the tracks. And there are some areas south of the tracks we really must protect," Moseley said, citing the Millrace, architecture and allied arts buildings and the Silva orchard as examples.

"If we were to build a million square feet over there we would have to talk about encroaching on those areas," he said.

Stotter admitted the research park would lose square footage if the committees' recommendations were

followed.

"But we see no problem with the scaling down of the project," Stotter said.

According to Stotter, "nothing should be set in stone" if public input truly is important to University administrators.

The public forums and meetings held to air opinions about the research park didn't offer "real opportunity for some views to be heard," he said.

"We have found the forums didn't provide an opportunity for meaningful input," Stotter

said.

"The initiative process is only been undertaken because the traditional process hasn't been working," he added.

The attempt to put initiatives on the ballot also has run into controversy. According to Richard Gold, of Citizens for a Fair Tax Distribution, a city attorney granted a title to the initiative that is "biased." Ballot measures are required to have a title before signatures can be collected.

The initiative would require voter approval before tax increment financing for urban renewal projects could occur. A city attorney titled the initiative "Limiting city authority to develop through urban renewal." A hearing has been set to hear Citizens for a Fair Tax Distribution's complaint.

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