

Aldawna Morrison (left) works with dancers from the Oregon Ballet Theatre as part of African-American choreographer's Donald Byrd's company in the cutting-edge 20th-century version of Giselle, Life Situations: Daydreams on Giselle. Oregon Ballet Theatre will perform the two distinct versions of Giselle, March 7-10 at Portland Civic Auditorium. See related story, front Metro.



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King Jr. Blvd. Development Opportunity Strategy, Walnut Park Retail Center and Job Net.

Other projects are Targeted Neighborhood Project, Northeast Workforce Center, Business Assistance Funds, Enterprise Zone Loan Program, Store Front Improvement Program, Homeowner Repair Loan programs, Rental Housing Development, Kennedy School remodel, Home Ownership Program and the Mixed-use Project planning.

The agency has also proposed the Small Business Partnership Program.

PDC officials say the reintroduction of a tax increment levy is critical in realizing the vision created by the Albina Community Plan.

The agency is also considering a general fund for investment in the inner northeast target area.

"Growth will happen," the question is whether northeast residents will benefit, quarried Jackson, who is PDC's chief think-tank on professional services."We want to see revitalization benefit all those that live in the neighborhood.'

Jackson believes the key to revitalizing the area lies in raising per capital income for residents.

The agency is asking unemployed in the community to avail themselves to its Job Hotline at 823-3462.

PDC's new chairman Cari Talton. says the plan sets ambitious, but achievable goals.

Local critics say time will tell.

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The victims to date have included three white males, ages 73, 77, and 81 years, and one white female, 74 years of age.

The first two robberies occurred on SW Harrison Street. One on December 19, 1995 at approximately noon, in the 100 block. And the second on January 1, 1996, at approximately 2:30 in the afternoon, in the 200 block.

The third robbery occurred on January 24, 1996, at approximately 2:00 in the afternoon, in the 1000 block of SW Broadway.

The fourth robbery, which involved the female victim, occurred on February 6, 1996, at approximately 3:00 in the afternoon, in the 2200 block of SW Park Place.

In the first robbery, the suspect(s) also stole the rental car the victim was driving. The vehicle, a silver 1995 Mercury, 4-door sedan, was later recovered in the 200 block of NW 2nd Avenue.

In the third robbery, the victim observed a white male, 35-40 years of age, with brown hair and a "rough" beard, in the vicinity just prior to being attacked and robbed. No other suspect description is available.

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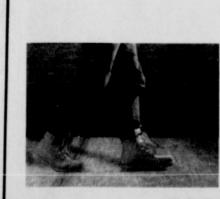
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