

RE 310 – Principles of Real Estate

How Do Urban Areas Develop?

Practice Homework Problems – Solutions

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- 1) Explain how “willingness to pay” by different types of users can help determine land use patterns. (Hint: Look at your notes on Price-Distance Relationships.)
- 2) Briefly describe (two sentences each) the key ideas behind each of the four theories of urban development we discussed in class.
- 3) Explain briefly (one paragraph) the difference between the axial theory and the concentric circle theory of urban development. Which more accurately reflects the way typical cities grow?
- 4) Use the basic theories of urban development to explain how Wichita or some other city with which you are familiar has developed. Which of the theories are most evident in the development of that city?
- 5) Name five key factors that affect whether and how a region develops.