BEAUREGARD CORRIDOR PLAN COMMUNITY MEETING
COMMUNITY VALUES & VISION SESSION
Thursday, February 25th, 6:30–9:00 PM

PUBLIC INPUT: CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES SESSION

ORIGINAL RECORDINGS OF COMMUNITY COMMENTS & VOTING RESULTS
STRENGTHS

- Affordable for younger families - gives them opp.
- Accessibility - walking, bus, etc.
- Trees
- Dora Kelley Park
- Winkler
- Ability to commute into DC
- Ramsay Rec Center serves comm. + nature center
- 15 minutes from the city: natural at home
- Small community feel - not urban
- People make it, doesn't feel like inside the beltway
- Little turnover in the community - stability
- Wonderful schools
Strengths

- NOVA education: cultural resources
- Greenspace around the Hamlets
- Shops at Mall Center - good scale
- Smaller scale development footprints
- Traffic - outside of rush hour it is manageable - lower density supports
- Diverse economic, racial and social mix
- Tennis courts, dog parks
- Some communities have shuttles/vans
- Millbrook - quality architecture/style
OPPORTUNITIES

- ways to include renters in comm. outreach
- more retail in the area - towards Southern Towers spread it out.
- mixed use - retail below residential
- more restaurants
- opps. for retail services
- rec opportunities - skate rink, etc.
- active: passive recreation
- public transportation - trolley
- integrate bike trails throughout and Uto Dora Kelley, etc. - Winkler
- opportunities for more pedestrian/bike connections - marl center/neighborhood
- bus circulator could link community
- better signage: wayfinding
- restore the waterways
- new seminary road interchange
Opportunities

- Improve streams in tandem with new development
- Erosion and loss of trees - restoration
- Universal Design principles applied to new development
- Duke/Beavregard intersection improvements
- JBG Properties - potential redevelopment could address needs of community
- Child Care
Weaknesses

- Traffic on Beauregard: Seminary will get worse with BRAC coming. (guiding principle #10)
- Rush hour traffic management issues - issues with lights/timing
- Limited options to Beauregard: Seminary
- Some use Sanger, which is also limiting
- Insufficient childcare/daycare
- Safety - children crossing streets, people walking
- Expanding population of families walking sharing homes, apartments, illegal subdivision
- Pedestrian streetscapes are on appealing and "tight" against traffic
- Slow EMS response times - will get worse
- Is it a good thing to get response from other jurisdictions?
WEAKNESSES

- Poor traffic may limit EMS response
- Brac
- Where do people go to run/exercise?
THREATS

- SANGER Ave. Interchange
- Any redevelopment that:
  1) removes residents and adds density
  2) changes use to retail
  3) destroys trees/forest density of vehicles/trips
- keep the character of the neighborhood
- redevelopment of landmark may increase traffic
- current road system cannot handle more
- potential loss of parking
- security concerns with WTS?
- Alexandria rated 127 of 132 jurisdictions
  for environmental/air quality
  health threats — sustainability
- children at risk—health, safety; quality of life
  traffic, air quality, water quality
- More traffic impacts EMS response
- need more reliable transportation if new density comes to area.
-Threats

- The right mode of transit is needed along Beauxregard.
- More intense transit = higher density?
- Railyard could impact neighborhoods
- People still need places to park
- Stay multi-generational
- Would traffic decrease property values?
- R/T facility - where is the response, threat of impacts
- Noise of traffic
- Hot lanes don't benefit Alexandria
- Provided parking at WTS could increase traffic in area
- Teachers can't afford area/how to deal with traffic
- Would go to expand presence here?
- Need a place to park in order to access services and amenities.
IDEA BIN

Milbrook height OK, but density is too high, more green space in similar Dev.

Look @ timing of signals on Beauregard.

Consider childcare for a developer incentive offering.

Fire station on west end of Shirley Highway.

Expand Beauregard - dedicated bus lanes.

Paid parking at WHS?