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Public Comments

Landmark Mall Community Meeting

1. Use local contractors to keep money in Alexandria.
2. Open "mall" shopping? Remember the humidity & heat of the local summertime.
3. Make sure the housing is truly affordable!
4. New housing means children. No one has met with the school board.
5. Free Parking?
6. We need a community room.
7. Pedestrian friendly
8. Easier access
9. Make it local – local restaurants – local vendors – room for small business owners – room for farmers market!
10. West End desires more attention from the City – particularly since our condo fees are such a huge offset to public expenses.
11. Handicapped bathrooms at public transit entrance – not one that is so far away that accidents occur before reaching bathroom.
12. Sit down restaurants – ask Ruby Tuesday to come back, or solicit an Applebee's.
13. Movie Theatre
14. Possible continue to expand TC satellite campus, eventually turning the campus into a high school
15. What is the City's role and involvement in the redevelopment?
16. How much public money is being allocated for this redevelopment?
17. Will this project address the affordable housing shortfall Alexandria is currently experiencing?
18. This is great. The City we moved from (Milwaukee) did the same. Five years later it has totally revived that area; concerts in the summer; coffee shops; restaurants and many shops.
19. Please integrate it with the many condos and apartments on Stevenson and Yoakum – pedestrian/bikeways and not the concrete intensive entry on Duke as there is now. Otherwise, very in favor of this idea.
20. Consider urban park setting for parking lot areas between the actual mall footprint and Duke Street. Consider public transit.
21. Pedestrian accessible from surrounding neighborhoods.
22. Sidewalks on Duke Street.
23. Public transit.
24. Include housing and affordable housing.
25. Movie theatres.
26. Do a better job planning the development than you did this meeting.
27. Rent out parking to Mark Center – have shuttle bus to transport workers from the mall to Mark Center and back – give them restaurants and shopping here again.
28. Gear it to adults and families – do not want to create a teen age hangout or place for drug trafficking!

29. Get chairs!
30. Interested in bike/pedestrian design, amenities.
31. Was this room large enough for turn out?
32. Don't make it like every other mall/shopping area. Commit to something different – green - local. Make this a unique destination in the Washington area/