



VAN DORN VISION - GOALS FOR SUCCESS

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City of Alexandria Strategic Plan Principles



Transit & Transportation

GOALS

Provide convenient access to a multimodal transportation system with choices for access to local activities and to activities throughout the region.

Enhance walking access to local facilities and services and to transportation choices from each neighborhood.

Promote a mix and intensity of uses in corridors and centers that can provide and sustain a high level of public transportation service.



Housing, Development & Neighborhood Enhancement

GOALS

Plan for places with distinct “neighborhood character” that provide a wide range of goods and services, housing types, jobs, and opportunities for cultural enrichment for the diverse population it serves.

Provide walkable neighborhoods with convenient access to open space, community facilities, and local shopping and services.

Require mixed-use developments (residential, office, retail) on all larger parcels to minimize the need for auto trips.

Construct buildings, public facilities and infrastructure that are built to last, but are flexible in response to changes and can be readily maintained and enhanced as conditions, needs and desires change.



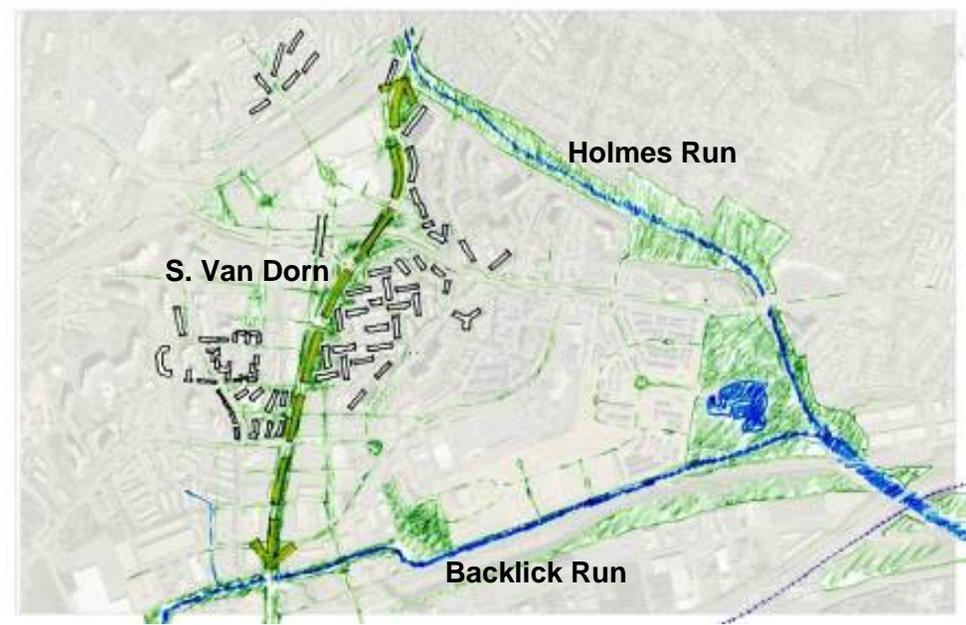
Open Space & Civic Amenities

GOALS

Provide an interconnected open space system with a variety of scales and types of open spaces (parks, town squares, and diverse street types) spaced widely throughout the community, including tree-lined walking streets and safe play areas for young children where families can gather.

Minimize surface parking, except where used along streets to create a protected pedestrian environment and successful retail streets.

Plan for both quiet places and active, vibrant, busy places.



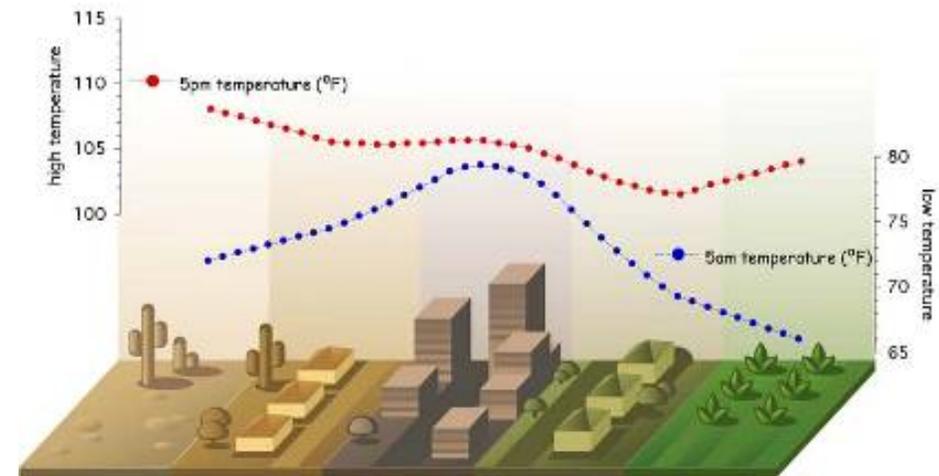
Re-establishing Backlick Run as a natural environment with S. Van Dorn as a green boulevard.



GOALS

Develop and enhance natural corridors and water to sustain plant communities and wildlife and bring nature into the community.

Conserve land, energy and natural resources by having resource-conserving site and building design and support systems, and by supporting effective alternatives to the single-occupant motor vehicle.



GOALS

Create a vibrant community that can sustain itself over time via a healthy level of economic activity, providing continuing value to support public facilities and services through local revenues.

Provide a diversity of functions including shopping, jobs and a variety of living environments that make the area less susceptible to cycles of change than single-purpose areas that appeal to only one social or economic group.

