

Dulles Suburban Center Community Meeting – March 29, 2016

Small Group Exercise Results

At the March 29, 2016 community meeting, approximately 30 attendees spent 20 minutes in small groups to determine what they considered their top 3 “Dislikes or Challenges” and “Likes / Opportunities” for the Dulles Suburban Center Area. The responses each group shared are listed below. Generally the dislikes and challenges that were repeated most concerned traffic and the need to develop a multi-modal transportation network. The likes and opportunities repeated most described the areas schools, parks and recreation areas.

Dislikes/ Challenges for the Area

- Transportation planning isn't working
- Poor peak-hour traffic
- Poor traffic circulation, lack of connectivity
- I-66 / Rt. 28 interchange is an obstacle for future growth.
- No north-south alternatives to Rt. 28
- Need a car
- No more roundabouts
- Limited transit options
- Pedestrian connectivity needs improvement
- Need 28 Corridor Rail
- High office vacancy
- Need more commercial, less industrial, to a supportable level
- Small businesses need more support
- Tax district difficult to swallow
- Reliance on federal government for jobs/economy
- Airport impediment to connectivity
- Need to protect residential from airport noise
- Airport noise needs to be considered more
- Lack a sense of place

Likes / Opportunities for the Area

- Schools
- Parks in the area
- Stream Valley Trails
- Green Space
- Resources – museums and such
- Airport
- Major employment center- many opportunities
- Potential to broaden tax base
- Commercial amenities
- EDA involvement would be beneficial
- Route 28 corridor and the tax district have had many transportation improvements.
- Road infrastructure