

Below is a compilation of excerpts from the proposed Comprehensive Plan text for Tysons. These excerpts relate specifically to educational/higher-learning institutions and come from the proposed Comprehensive Plan text that was recommended for approval by the Planning Commission on 05-27-10. This Plan text may be relevant for review by the Wiehle Avenue sub-committee due to the potential vision or focus in the Wiehle Avenue area to include educational uses.

Page 7, Guiding Planning Principles

7. Engage people, communities, institutions, and the private sector with government to include in Tysons the distinctive architecture, civic focal points, cultural and educational institutions, places of worship, medical facilities, entertainment and recreation, libraries, and public safety facilities that mark environmentally sound, safe and inclusive urban communities.

pp. 8-9, Framework to Transform Tysons

4. Developing a vibrant civic infrastructure. The transformed Tysons will include facilities and programs for arts and culture, recreation and education. These will be part of the essential fabric of a livable Tysons, and should be included in the initial planning for new development. Such facilities and programs should:

- Build upon Educational Excellence
- Provide Urban Recreation Facilities within Tysons
- Meet the Community's Needs for Cultural and Arts Facilities
- Provide Public Art for Public Places

p. 13, Tysons East TOD District

Tysons East: Tysons East serves as a signature gateway for those entering the urban center from the east. The defining focus of Tysons East will be Scotts Run, which is envisioned to transform into a great urban park surrounded by mixed-use development, including office, residential, hotel, support retail and service uses. In addition, the area could include institutional and public uses, such as educational and recreational facilities.

p. 17, Civic Infrastructure

Civic Infrastructure

An urban, livable Tysons should offer opportunities to participate in the arts, culture, recreation, and the exchange of ideas. Essential civic infrastructure may include arts centers, conference or convention centers, libraries, schools, and public art. A centrally located civic center is envisioned at Tysons. This site may include a central library, possibly co-located with an arts center. There may be a need for at least two new school sites at Tysons. There is also potential for a local university to establish a presence at Tysons which may provide continuing education opportunities for residents, workers and seniors.

pp. 24-25, Land Use Categories

Office: These areas are planned almost exclusively for office uses. Supporting retail and service uses, such as hotels and restaurants, are also encouraged in these areas. Educational and institutional uses are encouraged, as well.

p. 176, Tysons East District

Tysons East serves as a signature gateway for those coming to Tysons from the east. The defining focus of Tysons East will be Scotts Run Stream Valley Park, which is envisioned to be a great urban park and natural resource amenity surrounded by a mix of uses including office, residential, hotel, support retail and services. In addition, the area is a good location for institutional and public uses, such as educational and recreational facilities.

Scotts Run Stream Valley Park will be expanded through the stream valley and in adjacent areas to provide better access and connectivity throughout the Tysons East District. The park will become a major linear urban park and trail system with a variety of landscapes including wooded hills, meadows and ponds. It will provide a range of experiences, such as enjoying the outdoors and scenery, arts, performances and programs or participating in recreation. Intimate gardens with shady places of retreat could provide relief and gathering places for families, visitors and workers in Tysons.

Public and institutional facilities such as professional education, recreational, health and sports amenities should be located in this district. These amenities will be essential for attracting “creative class” households whose jobs could be located in Tysons.