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27 APRIL TOWN CENTER SUB-COM MEETING: ADDENDUM

This supplements Robert Goudie's excellent formal write-up which, with the attachments, provides a good picture of the overall meeting.

INOVA Stawman: Stimulating. Of note was their proposal that the police station be buffered by protecting some of the existing FC open space trees. (Comment: Might not a better location for the paramilitary police station be somewhere outside NTC. The portion of Baron Cameron park at the corner of Wiehle and Baron Cameron comes to mind. That would free up more FC land at NTC for parks, recreation and other civic uses).

INOVA said they envision a 50-50 commercial-residential split (Comment: It was not clear how much of this would be civic and how much retail. Until a clearer picture emerges of the civic uses envisioned (schools, fire department etc) it may be difficult of get the proportions right.)

Fueling station: In addition to the Reston Association lot at the FC parkway, it was suggested that the VDOT lot east of Sunset Hills near Hunter Mill might be suitable. This already has industrial like fueling facilities.

Connectivity to metro: One problem with the INOVA proposal is that it appeared to be made up as if NTC was an independent community. As a result, the tie in to Metro was not clear. There needs to be some clear planning on how people and traffic will move from Metro through the Town center to NTC. (For example the INOVA grid proposal does not carry Explorer Street on North to NTC.)

Discussion centered on whether Library Street should be extended. Mark Looney suggested that Explorer Street might make the best connection. This seems a key issue since NTC is ½ to 1 mile from the station. Some sort of shuttle bus/street car /Trolley link would seem essential.

The New Dominion Parkway barrier/speedway was discussed. One suggestion was traffic circles at key intersections.