

Vision Subcommittee Meeting Reston Master Plan Special Study Committee

Date: September 8, 2010
Time and Place: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
North County Government Center

Participants:

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Item No. 1: Summary of Recent Transit Station Sub-committee Meetings

Representatives from each of the three transit station sub-committees presented the early draft recommendations for the levels of development at each transit station. The Vision Sub-committee will combine the recommendations for the levels of development from each of the transit station areas and present the results at a later meeting.

Item No. 2: Land Use Recommendations

Draft recommendations and a chart that compared the existing development, the amount of development allowed in the existing master plan, and the George Mason University projections were presented. In addition, a paper was prepared with land use data and recommendations. The following recommendations items were included in the presentation:

- Add the 2030 GMU projections in addition to the 2050 projections to the chart of land use comparisons
- Incorporate the land use recommendations from each of the other sub-committees
- Add a fourth column to include an increase of 25 percent in the GMU 2050 projections for information only

Item No. 3: Transportation recommendations

A map that combined the recommendations from each of the transit station sub-committees was presented. The map included recommendations for streets and

pedestrian ways that connect both sides of the Dulles Access Road. Arterials, boulevards, new complete streets, bikeways and trails were included on the map. A draft paper describing in detail the recommendations for consideration by the Vision Sub-committee was also presented. The following items were included in the presentation:

- Identify Sunrise Valley Drive, Sunset Hills Drive and Reston parkway as major green boulevards
- Identify portions of New Dominion Drive and portions of Sunset Hills Drive within the Town Center for a reduction in paving and traffic calming techniques (road diet) to improve pedestrian crossing areas
- Improve the indication for the proposed crossing of the Dulles Access Road
- Add a map of the transitways and bus network
- Consider separating the map of streets and highways from the map of trails and bikeways

Item No. 3: presentation to the Full Task Force

The Vision Sub-committee supported the idea to present the sub-committee recommendations to date to the full Task Force on September 14, 2010. The presentation should include the sub-committee recommendations for the planning principles, environment, transportation urban design, and land use.

Item No. 4: Implementation

The sub-committee will focus on completing the draft recommendations for the above items in the near term and then return to the important implementation issues.

Item No. 4 Next Steps

The meeting on Wednesday, September 15, 2010, has been cancelled (see the web site for the future time and location for the next meeting).