

Reston Master Plan Special Study Task Force
Wiehle Avenue Sub-Committee
Meeting Summary for July 21, 2010

The meeting opened handouts of two Wiehle area areal maps one showing existing parks and recreation facilities and one showing Wiehle area developers' concept plans. In addition, a set of diagrams illustrating the impacts of FARs on building mass and height (prepared by Consulting Engineers and JBG)

Presentation by Dr. Robert Templin, President of the Northern Virginia Community College. Dr. Templin described NOVA's important role educating recent high school graduates, nursing and emergency response professionals and others, including its important role as a feeder to 4 year universities in Virginia. He indicated that NOVA is looking to establish an urban campus near a metro station. It is looking for 125,000 SF. It currently has a 25,000 SF space near Wiehle and Sunset Hills.

Presentation by Walsh and Doug Carter regarding a development concept for the Fannie Mae property. Fannie Mae currently has one office building with a .65 FAR. It is thinking of building three residential and two new office buildings on its property with a FAR of 1.5 and the tallest building being approximately 190 feet. Even with the development, it would have 16 acres (roughly half of its 30 acres) as publicly accessible open space, including the ponds that are currently there. Taller buildings would be away from the adjacent residential neighborhoods, shorter building on North and East.

Discussion was had of possible park locations. The Staff asked committee members to come to the next meeting with a mark-up of possible park locations to a map that currently shows existing parkland in the area. There was also discussion of how to encourage land owners to participate in joint development or to join in early development of infrastructure (*e.g.*, grids of streets) even before implementing their own plans for new buildings.

Members Attending:

Andy VanHorn co-chair
Bill Penniman co-chair
David Gill
Richard Kennedy
Anne Strange
Mark Looney
Arthur Murphy
Judith Pew
Paul Thomas