Summary of Public Comments on
Introduction and Vision Chapters of
Draft Plan Text, 3-17-09

Section/ Page No.	Summary of Comment	Source
Intro., Page 4	In last paragraph of discussion of Planning History, mention that 20 or 21 Tysons APR nominations were subsumed by the Tysons Land Use Task Force (TLUTF) effort.	Mark Zetts
Intro., pp. 4-5	Emphasis should be placed on planning for parks and recreation, consistent with item #6 of the Task Force (TF) mission: "Provide for amenities and aesthetics in Tysons, such as public spaces, public art, parks, etc."	GTCC
Intro., pp. 4-5	Emphasis should be placed on the goal of protecting and preserving neighborhoods adjacent to and in the vicinity of Tysons.	GTCC
Intro., pp. 4-5	Work of Task Force should be summarized in one paragraph as in 1994 Plan. TLUTF's should be acknowledged, not heralded.	Mark Zetts
Intro., p. 5	"By pushing the envelope to 220 million square feet and the time frame to 2050, the TF went beyond anything presented to the public, and in fact beyond the charge given by the Board of Supervisors."	Amy Tozzi
Vision, pp. 6-10	Would prefer sections of current Comprehensive Plan, such as "Planning Issues: Opportunities & Constraints" and "Concept for Future Development: Vision for the Urban Center." Would maintain some continuity between 1994 Plan and this one. "The first five pages of this section read like a dreamy sales brochure.,,"	Mark Zetts
Vision, p. 7	Agree with Staff Comment on Planning Horizon, especially the sentence, "Upon adoption of this Plan, the County can expect many property owners to seek development approvals based on the 2050 vision."	Amy Tozzi
Vision, p. 7, Item 3	Tysons will not be 24/7 with Metro only running 18 hours a day. (*Staff note: This is one of the TF's Guiding Planning Principles."*	Mark Zetts
Vision, p. 7, Item 4	This Principle mentions transit connections but not circulators.	GTCC
Vision, p. 9, Item 3	May be more appropriate to refer to "stream *remediation"* than to "stream restoration."	Mark Zetts

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Vision, p. 9, Item 3	Need a map showing the proposed green network, including pedestrian connections outside of Tysons. Would like the Plan to state, "Tysons should be connected by uninterrupted trail to the Potomac River and to points west via the W&OD Trail."	Mark Zetts
Vision, p. 10	Under "Achieving the Vision," the second paragraph says, "People will be able to walk or bike safely along Route 7 and 123 …" However, no bike lanes are shown in the cross-sections for these streets.	GTCC
Vision, p. 10	Think the term "auto-oriented streets" is slyly derogatory and should not be used in the Plan.	Mark Zetts
Vision, p. 11	Delete the first paragraph on page 11. Comparing the districts at Tysons to different rooms of a house is condescending and unsuitable for the Plan.	Mark Zetts
Vision, p. 11, Continued	The substantial breadth, station/rail mass and vehicle traffic on Routes 7 and 123 will make them de facto district boundaries. I continually hear staff, the PC committee and the public refer to Tysons Central 7 as two separate entities, north and south, with the implication that each needs to be planned differently. The same is true of Tysons West. The separateness of these split halves will be exacerbated when the pedestrian bridges are closed off at the end of operating hours. In addition, the conceptual circulator routes show only one crossing of Route 7 between Route 123 and the Dulles Toll Road. Will local bus routes provide the needed connections between these intense subdistricts?	Mark Zetts
Vision, p. 13	The south subdistrict of Tysons Central 7 is "envisioned as a Civic Center." Should include recreation center. White Flint has the Aquatic Center in its urban downtown. Tysons should have an indoor pool, preferably two separate ones, one for children and one for lap swimming.	GTCC
Vision, pp. 13-14	Pimmit Hills is mentioned, but Vienna and McLean are only referred to as "neighboring communities." Should use the names Vienna and McLean.	GTCC

Sources & Dates Received (through March 19, 2009):

Greater Tysons Citizens Coalition (GTCC), 9 sets of comments, March 2, 2009

Mark Tipton, Trails & Sidewalks Committee, Fairfax Co. Federation of Citizens Associations, Feb. 23, 2009

Amy Tozzi, Member of the Tysons Land Use Task Force & the Board of Directors of The Regency at McLean, Feb. 28, 2009

Mark Zetts, March 2, 2009