



Eastern Corridor 2009 Jurisdictional Work Land Use Vision Plan /Green Infrastructure Plan Meeting # 1 Summary

September 9, 2009
Fairfax Village Hall 5:30 pm

Jurisdiction: Fairfax

Attendance:

Ted Shannon, Mayor
Jennifer Kaminer, Village Administrator
Tony Haslinger
Dr. Scott Sayre

Carson Shelton
Paul Imhoff
Rick Patterson
Tom Fiorinni

Facilitators:

Gary Meisner, Meisner + Associates / Land Vision
Deborah Osborne, *ENTRAN*
Emalee Ridgway, Meisner + Associates / Land Vision

Meeting Summary

Intent of the Meeting:

To review and update the committee on work completed on the Eastern Corridor Land Use Visioning Plan 2002 and Green Infrastructure Plan 2005. To identify Fairfax action items completed since then, and to update/revise action items for continuing next phases of the project.

Gary Meisner presented a PowerPoint reviewing the Green Infrastructure and Land Use Visioning Plans for the Eastern Corridor Projects. Group discussion reviewed action items, completed tasks, and current issues needing attention in regard to future land use planning and development.

Context Issues / General Comments:

- Need to publicly emphasize that the Eastern Corridor Project is about both land planning and multi modal transportation

Fairfax Village

- Long range planning needs to insure that local streets system complements arterials
- Continue bike plans and bike way improvements
- Need to collaborate with Jim Coppic about bikeway connections to Lunken Airport Play Fields and Ault Park
- Bike paths need to be included in the plan

- Cincinnati Sports Mall installed new bike racks, however most members of the facility drive; some workers walk.
- Fairfax is anticipating many changes within the next few years to the commercial/business district. Future Eastern Corridor plans should be sensitive to these changes and help improve the economic base.
- Options to improve local access need to be explored during this process
- Fire access between Fairfax and Newtown is key. Future plans need to take into account the access relationship in regards to fire safety between Fairfax and Newtown. A by pass roadway makes both communities safer in terms of fire access.
- Expanding greenspace is primarily along Little Duck Creek

Red Bank Corridor

- Improvements and development planning is underway at the former Swallen's site. This new development needs to be taken into account with future accessibility
- One local access need that is related to fire/safety is to provide access between Virginia Ave. and Red Bank road
- New Wal-Mart site is providing opportunities for future bus stop. Discussions with SORTA are underway

Wooster/Old Wooster

- Energize development around the Coal Bank Interchange area and/or old Wooster Road
- Provide a Bus Hub in Fairfax preferably in Wooster Business District
- Proposed junior high school near existing Fairfax school could impact traffic flow on Wooster.
- Wooster Pike Revitalization Plan is planned for 2011 and will include improvements to utilities, sidewalks, and roadway widening
- The intersection of Red Bank Road and Wooster Pike is a potential location for a rail station
- The west end of Wooster pike near Old Wooster are potential locations for future mini bus hubs.
- Sensitivity to the Fairfax business district along Wooster Pike is important
- Configuration and size of lots in the business district are currently not conducive to access and parking along Wooster

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