

DIX EDGE AREA STUDY

VISIONING WORKSHOPS

MEETING SUMMARY

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VISIONING WORKSHOPS

The Dix Edge Area Study project team conducted four visioning workshops to gather public input on ideas and goals for the community. These workshops gave residents in the area the opportunity to share concerns and visions they have for the future. Project staff met with residents in person and virtually during these one-hour workshops to answer and ask questions about the project and the community.

Overview

In-Person Meeting

The first Visioning Workshop was conducted in person at Eliza Poole Park. Appropriate COVID-19 social distancing and other guidelines were in place to ensure health and safety of both residents and staff. The workshop was conducted in both English and Spanish. Eleven (11) adults and three (3) children attended this session. The workshop began with a presentation by project staff. Attendees then had the opportunity to ask questions about the project.

Following the question-and-answer session, attendees participated in a Card Storming activity using flip charts. This gave participants the opportunity to post questions and comments in response to specific questions. After the activity, project staff reported out findings and gave attendees another opportunity to ask questions. At the end of the workshop, staff shared project team contact information and an online survey link with attendees.

Virtual Meetings

The other three Visioning Workshops were conducted virtually on Zoom. The link to the meeting was shared with residents and they had the option to call in as well. The November 17th

and November 20th sessions were in English; the November 19th session was in Spanish. Twelve (12) people attended the November 17th workshop, one (1) person attended the November 19th workshop, and fourteen (14) people attended the November 20th workshop.

The virtual meetings began with a presentation about the project followed by a brief question-and-answer session. Participants were then divided into small groups to participate in a virtual Card Storming activity on the MURAL platform. This activity gave participants the opportunity to share responses and comments in response to specific questions. After the activity, participants came back together as a large group and staff reported out the responses.

Participants then had the opportunity to ask any further questions or express any additional comments. At the end of the workshops, participants were given staff contact information and information on the online survey and how to subscribe to project updates.

These workshops were supplemented by an online survey on PublicInput.com, which went live on November 13th and will remain open until December 24.

Date	Time	Location	Language
November 14	1:00pm – 2:00pm	Eliza Poole Park	English and Spanish
November 17	6:30pm – 7:30pm	Virtual (Zoom)	English
November 19	6:30pm – 7:30pm	Virtual (Zoom)	Spanish
November 20	12:00pm – 1:00pm	Virtual (Zoom)	English

Meeting Notifications

Residents were notified of the Visioning Workshops and accompanying survey through the following communication methods:

- Flyers distributed to:
 - Washington Elementary School
 - Washington Elementary Boys and Girls Club
 - Community Leader Group Member in Carolina Pines
 - Bright Hope Holy Divine Church of God
 - Partners for Environmental Justice
- Survey flyers distributed to:
 - All 15 Community Leader Group Members
 - Washington Elementary School
 - Carolina Pines Community Center
 - Residents of Gateway Park, Village Green and Walnut Terrace
 - Door to door in Caraleigh from our Neighborhood Ambassador Eduardo Mera
- 10 yard signs put up around the study area
- Bus advertisements on GoRaleigh buses
- Notification sent to Hispanic media outlets in the Raleigh area
- GovDelivery email blasts sent to project subscribers
- Postcards sent to property owners and renters in the area
- Social media posts on the Raleigh Planning Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter as well as to the NextDoor registered neighborhoods
 - The sessions were also advertised using Facebook Live during the sessions. The link to the virtual workshops was shared in the comments on the livestream so viewers could join in the meeting if desired.

SESSION RESULTS

In the Card Storming activity, participants were asked four questions and given the opportunity to share their thoughts and answers to each. Each of these questions fit into one category: WORRY, KEEP, CHANGE, or PLAN. These questions focused on current community concerns and values and what community members want to see in the future. The four questions and their comments are summarized below.

WORRY

→ Gentrification/Displacement

→ Pedestrian/Bicyclist Safety

Participants were worried about...

→ Losing Community Character

→ Environmental Concerns

→ Development, including Downtown South

Do you have any worries or concerns about the future of your community or about the Dix Edge project?

Participants were asked to share any concerns they had about their community's future or the project as a whole.

One of the most common concerns expressed among participants was gentrification/displacement. Participants noted that property taxes are rising due to new developments, which is causing landlords to raise rent prices and pricing renters out of their homes. With the rise of property taxes, there are concerns that residents will get priced out of their homes as well. In line with this, participants noted concerns about affordable housing in the area and expressed the need for more affordable housing with future development. Participants also mentioned a need for various housing types, including small apartment homes.

Many participants were also **concerned about the Downtown South development**, which will incorporate an entertainment district at the intersection of South Saunders Street, South Wilmington Street, and I-40. If the rezoning request is approved by the City Council, this will include a sports stadium and the development of retail, offices, and housing. Many are concerned about potential impacts from this project on the area such as increased property taxes, increased traffic congestion, and density/zoning changes.

Participants also noted **general concerns regarding development and increased density in the area.** One participant said that density can be good, but it should go where development is.

Participants expressed numerous concerns regarding mobility through the area. Walkability is a common concern, as some expressed it is difficult to walk safely and cross the street in certain areas, such as Caraleigh, along Lake Wheeler

Road, by the Farmer's Market, and by Dorothea Dix Park. **Pedestrian and bicyclist safety were noted as concerns**, especially as the area gets busier. Greenway safety was also a noted concern by one participant. **Another concern as the area gets busier is traffic**, as participants noted that some roads have heavy traffic already, including Maywood Avenue, Lake Wheeler Road, and Sierra Drive. One participant noted that parking along the street makes traffic trickier.

Some participants mentioned that they were **concerned about losing the community character through upcoming changes to the area.** One participant mentioned the character of the Caraleigh community specifically, and another noted that this community has historically been forgotten and taken advantage of.

Some participants mentioned **environmental concerns for the area**, such as the loss of trees due to development or the stormwater flooding into Walnut Creek and Rocky Branch Creek. One participant mentioned concerns about light pollution as well.

Multiple participants were **concerned about getting the word out about the study and future changes in the area.** Participants noted a need for awareness and knowledge about upcoming changes and the need for outreach to younger community members, renters, and students. One participant noted that the community needs to know what is up for discussion, as not all changes may be able to be influenced by public input. Participants also mentioned the need for residents to know about opportunities to give input and the timing of the study.

A full list of responses to this question can be found in the Appendix.

KEEP

Participants wanted to keep...

- Historic Charm/Character
- Diversity of People
- Local Businesses
- Single Family Homes
- Walkability and Sidewalk Connections

What aspects of your community do you want to make sure are kept, preserved, or improved upon in the future?

Participants were asked to share specific characteristics or aspects of their community that they thought should either be preserved or improved upon.

When asked what should be kept and preserved in the area, participants discussed historic charm and character, diversity, single-family homes, and walkability and connections.

Other areas to keep and preserve include: area friendliness, trees/wildlife, size of homes, local businesses (particularly those owned by BIPOC [Black, Indigenous, and People of Color] and/or women), parks (including the Eliza Poole Park), greenways, playgrounds, the Farmer's Market, the community garden, and grocery stores. One participant noted that the Kirby Derby event, held at Dorothea Dix park, should be kept as well.

When discussing areas for improvements in the community, **multiple participants mentioned pedestrian safety**, especially around Dorothea Dix Park and Lake Wheeler Road. One participant also noted a need for **greenway safety improvements**.

Participants also mentioned connections and accessibility as another need for improvement. Participants discussed **walkability, accessibility for disabled persons, and road infrastructure** as areas for improvements in the future.

Other areas for improvement include: housing sizes and types and codes for tree types planted and wetland quality. One participant noted a need for the creation of social places in the community. Another participant stated that the City should reinstate CACs in the communities.

A full list of responses to this question can be found in the Appendix.

CHANGE

Participants wanted improvements in...

- Green Infrastructure
- Crime Prevention
- Maywood Ave Improvements
- Grocery Stores, Gathering Places, etc.
- Walkability, Greenway Connections

What aspects would you like to change? What would that change look like?

Participants were asked to share what aspects of their community they would like to change and what that change would look like. Participants at the online sessions were also shown a map of the study area if they wanted to share specific locations or areas where changes could occur.

The most commonly mentioned area for change was accessibility. Participants noted a need for **improved walkability**, including pedestrian safety and sidewalk connections. Participants also mentioned needs for **connections to greenways**, the Farmer's Market, NC State, Dorothea Dix Park, Pullen Park, and more. Multiple participants also noted a need for a **pedestrian bridge or connection around I-40 and 440**. Additionally, participants wanted change with public transportation in the area with **more bus stops and more frequent routes**, and one participant mentioned a desire for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT).

Multiple participants mentioned **Maywood Avenue as a specific area for change**. Participants called for **completed sidewalks** along Maywood, a **four-way stop or traffic light** at the intersection of Maywood Avenue and Lake Wheeler Road, and **repaired railroad tracks** at the Maywood Avenue and Lake Wheeler Road intersection.

Another common idea for change focused on the **amenities in the area**. One participant mentioned a desire for another **grocery store** in the area. Another participant wanted **more social life places and restaurants**.

Multiple participants also mentioned environmental changes. Some called for **green infrastructure** in the area, and one noted that this could help with **crime prevention** as well. Other participants noted a need for **more trees** and regulation on the types of trees planted. **Recycling** was also mentioned as an area for change by one participant.

Other areas for change focused on the look and feel of the community, including visual changes. One participant mentioned that having a **cleaner community** would assist with crime prevention, because places that feel neglected may be unsafe. Participants also mentioned change in **bringing the community together**, and one participant noted that this could be done through initiatives such as a **community garden**.

A couple of respondents focused on change to businesses in the area, calling for **more mid-sized retail or local retail** within the area.

A full list of responses to this question can be found in the Appendix.

PLAN

Participants wanted to plan for the future...

- Affordable Housing
- Sidewalk Connections
- Retail Amenities
- Community or Recreation Center
- Playground/Green Space Improvements

When envisioning the future, what are the new amenities or programs you would like to ensure are included in this plan for your community's future?

Participants were asked to share ideas for the future, including amenities or programs that could be added. This question allowed residents and staff to look ahead at the future of the Dix Edge community.

Many participants wanted the addition of **new facilities and amenities for residents** in the community. Multiple participants said they would like a **community or recreation center with a library**, and others added on to this idea to include other amenities like a **pool or a pickleball court**. One participant expressed a desire for **athletic facilities or a skate park** that could work to make the community more active and engaged in physical activities. Participants also wanted more **neighborhood parks**, including ones with activities to keep the community engaged and connected. Participants also mentioned **playground improvements**, including a comment from a child attending the in-person session that wanted a new slide.

Participants also discussed **retail amenities** they wanted for the area. One participant said that they want a **small village with local shops** as another amenity in the area. Other participants mentioned wanting **mixed-use retail, such as grocery, pharmacy, breweries**. One participant noted a desire for mixed-use with retail, agriculture, and housing.

Other participants mentioned future plans for **affordability**. One participant had the idea of creating paths to staying in the area for existing residents and **educational programs** on those paths. Other future plans for affordability

could include **middle housing or bungalow neighborhoods**, ideas mentioned by another participant.

Participants also noted a need for **improved ways of communicating with the public**. Some ideas mentioned were door-to-door outreach, another method of communication to replace CACs, and community newsletters sent out with water bills. Staff stated in the meeting that newsletters in waterbills was in progress, but later discovered this is not feasible. Newsletters will be distributed using alternative channels such as the Elementary School and Boys and Girls Club. Participants noted the **need to understand how the study is working alongside development and the possible impacts for displacement**.

Participants also discussed plans for **improvements to connections and accessibility in the study area**. Some participants called for **improved sidewalks for safer pedestrian access**, specifically along Maywood Avenue. Participants also noted a need for crosswalks for improving pedestrian safety, specifically along Lake Wheeler Road at Caraleigh and Fuller Heights. One participant also mentioned the need to **fix the train tracks at Maywood Avenue**.

Other ideas for planning in the future mentioned were **trees (especially bigger trees and oak trees) and public art**. One participant noted the need for **reduction of light pollution** in the area, and another noted the need to **protect streams from stormwater runoff**.

A full list of responses to this question can be found in the Appendix.

Conclusion

Thirty-eight (38) people participated in the Visioning Workshops as a part of the Dix Edge Area Study. These workshops provided insight from community members on what they currently like about the area, as well as areas for improvements and what they want to see change in the future. Participants had the opportunity to express visions and concerns about the future of the area and the Dix Edge project in general.

A common discussion point throughout the workshops was accessibility/mobility within the area. Many called for improvements for transit and walkability, as well as improved connections in the

area. Participants mentioned concerns of traffic and safety in the area and called for improvements. In terms of preservation, participants largely wanted to preserve the sense of community and character of the area. They also mentioned wanting to preserve walkability, connections, wildlife, and local businesses within the area.

This feedback will be used to help plan for the future of the community in a way that considers the needs, concerns, and goals for current residents in the Dix Edge community.

APPENDIX

WORRY

Do you have any worries or concerns about the future of your community or about the Dix Edge project?

11/14/2020 Workshop (In-Person Session)

- Greenway safety
- Mitigating Light pollution
- Protecting streams from stormwater runoff
- Find housing for the homeless and the desperately tired
- Speed bumps on Maywood Prospect/ Maywood and Gilbert Street
- Timing of the study
- Outreach to younger community members, renters and students
- Worried property taxes will be too high
- Street sweeping
- Traffic with development

11/17/2020 Workshop

- Concerned about Downtown South project and zoning changes (multiple story buildings in the area). Concerned with transition between
- Over in the Caraleigh area - concerns that there won't be any pedestrian awareness for cars. Need marked crosswalks with signals and signs, so vehicles can keep an eye out.
- Gentrification - An issue across the country and in Dix edge as well. Concerned about that moving forward.
- Walkability - important for the community (not continue separation between community and the Park)
- When Chapel Hill did affordable housing, focused on apartments/rentals. Would like to see houses included.
- Amazing efforts for growing fresh produce - wish for efforts to help neighbors there help continue gardening efforts.
- Getting from Caraleigh across S. Saunders (access to Farmer's Market and Dix Park)
- Concerned about the awareness that the residents have about the pressures, plans, etc.
- Changes along Wheeler Rd between S Saunders - coming from the park side. Biking or walking, it's going to be busier. Concerned about pedestrian friendliness
- Lot of traffic across Maywood and Lake Wheeler
- Concerned about the door-to-door outreach - need this to make sure their aware of opportunities for giving input
- Bike infrastructure - Hillsborough St (missed opportunity) the bikes are along traffic/parking. Ideal to have separate bike lanes from cars/ pedestrians. Specifically along Lake Wheeler.
 - Funding for: pedestrian bridge over S. Saunders
- Connectivity of the sidewalks. (Planning in Carolina Pines to have sidewalks along Carolina Pine Ave. - but need a connection to Lake Wheeler & Farmer's Market)
- Making sure there's funding for these ideas
- Need to know more about Downtown South and know what the changes will cause
- Affordable housing (doesn't just happen - needs taxing or funds available to cause it to come into being)
 - Hoping we could make this a model affordable housing project
- High speed internet connection

11/19/2020 Workshop

- Conneccion con el parque Dix
- Cruzar a Lake Wheeler
- Acceso de Caraleigh y Fuller Heights al Mercado Agricutural
- Nueva densidad de desarrollo
- Que va a pasar con desarrollos nuevos, cual tipo van a ser
- Opciones para viviendas diferentes, departamentos pegguenos son importantes, de seis viviendas mas o menos

11/20/2020 Workshop

- Afraid existing affordable housing will be torn down for more dense affordable housing. Small houses with yards replaced with 28-story affordable housing. Worried about density/scale of housing. Density can be good, but should go where there is more industrial development.
- We're worried about traffic in the area in general, including across the street from Carolina Pine Park on Sierra Drive (turning on from Lake Wheeler Drive)
- Parking on the street can make the traffic more tricky.
- Also worried about the possibility of tears downs and taking away the trees across from Dix Park - especially Fuller Heights neighborhood. The development pressure will be very strong. Hoping project will come up with ways to mitigate that pressure.
- Affordable housing is hard to find and there's less and less of it. Worried about gentrification will make less affordable housing.
- Farmers market - need to keep the wholesalers from rural areas
- How do you maintain the affordability of the existing properties and character around the park
- Fuller Heights - what incentives exist for landlords to maintain properties and keep them affordable?
- Caraleigh - historically has been taken advantage of and forgotten, split in two by S Saunders. Need for missing middle housing. Concerned about existing community being pushed out due to increased property taxes.
- Caraleigh -Community character and history needs to be preserved
- Health of walnut creek and rocky branch creek and increasing stormwater flooding downstream
- Caraleigh - There is a large rental community that needs to be preserved.
- Want information to clarify what land was sold in the past decade and what has already been approved
- Concerned about displacement - homeowners raising rent due to increase in taxes.
- Affordable housing should be available for primarily 50% AMI (not just 80%).
- Need to know what is up for discussion
- Should make a certain amount of apartments affordable

KEEP

What aspects of your community do you want to make sure are kept, preserved, or improved upon in the future?

11/14/2020 Workshop (In-Person Session)

- Trees
- Diversity
- Greenway
- Eliza Poole Park
- Outside meetings in the park
- Farmer's Market
- Diversity; racial, economic, young, old
- Trees
- Playgrounds
- Natural assets
- Diversity
- Affordable Housing

11/17/2020 Workshop

- Grocery store
- The historic charm of the area - whole history of Caraleigh and the Mill
 - Walkability
- Community garden!
- Improve the safety of the greenway

11/19/2020 Workshop

- La proximidad a Downtown es bueno
- chas casa son casi el mismo tamaño
- Viviendas de tamaño que refleja el carácter de ahora
- La carácter del vecino ahora
- No hay muchas lugares sociales para pasar tiempo en el comunidad afuera de su vivienda ("third place")
- Carácter similar entre casas

11/20/2020 Workshop

- Codes may need to be developed by the City similar to Historic Oakwood as to what can be built, the type of trees established new or preserved, the look etc.
- Prompted by facilitator: Access from houses across the street into Dix Park - walkability issue. People need to be able to walk across the street to get into the park. Need additional ways to do that. (Big ditch in the way right now.)
- Walkability in Carolina Pines/Sierra Drive is really good. One spot that doesn't have a sidewalk (about 500ft). The rest of the area has at least one sidewalk on one side of the street.
- Our little neighborhood (Sierra Drive) is very nice. Near Carolina Pine Park. Neighbors help one another.
- Prompted by facilitator: Single-family has been there for a long time; preserving historic charm in the area.
- Keep the single-family housing in the area. Keeping the integrity of the structures in the neighborhoods as they stand now.
- Trees and natural wildlife are important in the area.
- Several areas in Dix Park are wooded. Would like to preserve these wooded areas.
- Preserving the trees in the area.
- Carolina Pines has a pond and there are wetlands near S. Saunders - need to elevate the quality of the wetlands
- Kirby Derby - would like to see this event protected and honored as a part of this community as a community event. Currently held at Dix Park.
- Diversity in Carolina Pines and Fuller Heights (currently ethnically diverse)

11/20/2020 Workshop (cont.)

- I would really like to see any remodeling or new construction to meet Elenor Smith's Visibility standards. Accessible first floor bathroom and no step or ramped entrances so that our disabled, especially Veterans can live there.
- I would like to see Jenny Harper engaged and integrated into the larger masterplan of Dix. Like the warehouse has items for sale etc with historic look and preservation.
- In urban area when height gets above 6 stories, area feels different. Wouldn't have city skyline in Dix Park
- Safety can be improved - not safe to cross Lake Wheeler
- Reinstate CACs and improve upon them
- Sidewalks
- Preserve local businesses before investing in chains, especially local, BIPOC, and women-owned businesses
- Improve on road infrastructure

CHANGE

What aspects would you like to change? What would that change look like?

11/14/2020 Workshop (In-Person Session)

- Mid-sized retail
- Better sidewalks and crosswalks
- Purposeful connection via streetscape
- Greenway south of I-40
- Complete the sidewalks on Maywood
- 4 way stop or lights at Maywood and Lake Wheeler
- Light Mitigation
- Railroad tracks at Maywood and Lake Wheeler
- Improve walkability
- Better public transportation (BRT)
- Local retail
- Multi-modal transportation

11/17/2020 Workshop

- Walkability and bike access
- Improved bus frequency (BRT may or may not come down Saunders) - 21 Caraleigh line and down to 7 Carolina Pines.
- Grocery store & increasing access to Farmer's market (to not have food desert)

11/19/2020 Workshop

- Mejor paradas de autobus
- Mas lugares para la vida social, mas restaurantes
- Mejoramientos a unas casa
- Quisiera la gente pasa tiempo en su venico sin pasando a diferentes partes
- Servicio de autobus al centro mejor
- Nuevas connecciones de las calles (Duffy y Murphy por ejemplo)
- la mezcla de gente es diverso en cultura
- Mas acceso a otras partes del area y mas facil transporte

11/20/2020 Workshop

- Lake Wheeler Rd needs a sidewalk from downtown
- Improve bike access.
- Better connection to the greenway systems. (Biking: getting over 40 - not a bike lane on that side)
- Grocery store - current is fine south of I-40, but don't know the access on the north side of I-40.
- More people out and about. More pedestrian activity.
- I love the land bridges ideas to connect parks-please include Carolina Pines in the list so we can connect across I-40.
- Way to cross I-40 on a path or bridge, that would keep us from walking into traffic, would make a big difference!
- Better connection from Dix Park to the surrounding neighborhoods. Way to make Dix more part of the neighborhood.
- Access to Dix Park from the areas south of I-40.
- Walkability. There's no sidewalks along Lake Wheeler. The ditches there are not easy to walk on.
- Triangle light rail connection long-term .
- Crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED). Use it to also make it more walkable and safe.
- There is an immense disconnect between Caraleigh and Fuller Heights. Need to better integrate the neighborhoods near downtown. Find a way to safely pull residents together. Feel unsafe using this section of the greenway
- Accessibility near 440/40. Needs improved pedestrian accommodations here

11/20/2020 Workshop (cont.)

- Walkability and better bike facilities
- Walkability and connections between greenway, other parks, Farmer's Market, neighborhoods, NC State, etc. Including to Pullen Park.
- Lots of seating outside
- Green infrastructure
- Make low-income housing mixed in with other housing
- More public transportation that comes frequently and connects to other parts of the Triangle
- Also being able to ride bike through Neighborhoods on a land bridge
- Recycling
- Community-based activities (community garden or similar) to bring the community together
- The look of the community - maintenance and taking care of the community. The look is really related to safety - clean and well kept area is more likely to be safe. If someone perceives an area as neglected, they may not respect the safety of the area.
- City treescapes - requirements about care and space allowed for trees
- Ensure trees will be planted for shade and look/feel

PLAN

When envisioning the future, what are the new amenities or programs you would like to ensure are included in this plan for your community's future?

11/14/2020 Workshop (In-Person Session)

- Fix the train tracks on Maywood
- Mitigate light pollution
- Cross walks on Lake Wheeler from Caraleigh and Fuller Heights
- Improve walkability
- Widen streets due to more traffic and bussing
- [Picture of a slide drawn by a kid of an attendee]
- Slide [Kid's comment]
- Maywood Avenue sidewalk and safe pedestrian access
- Mixed income housing
- Better connections
- Mix of uses – grocery and pharmacy
- Protect the stream from stormwater runoff
- Leave room for new businesses like Boulton Bread and Trophy
- Better connections E-W for walk, bike, bus
- Mixed Income housing
- Mixture of uses, grocery, pharmacy, housing, productive light industrial-brewery , agriculture

11/17/2020 Workshop

- Physical/athletic facilities, small skate park - a space for everybody. Draw people of all ages in to engage in physical activities and give people something to do
- Community center with a state-of-the-art library for the community
- How is the Dix Edge study working alongside development
- Given that CACs went away - Given potential for displacement/change - Would like this study to find the best way to communicate with the residents. Other cities get a newsletter included in their water bill.
- New home lots are small - can't plant big trees. Would love to have oak trees and native trees!
- Affordability - paths to stay in the neighborhood
 - Educational programs - paths to home ownership or ways to stay in neighborhood
- Door to door outreach to improve communication and connectedness
- Number of neighborhood parks - some way to better utilize those for community involvement/engagement, concerts, programs - to work to better create a neighborhood rather than a bunch of separate houses
- Middle Housing - Bungalow neighborhood (all the houses face inward on a shared greenspace)
- Community Center and a pickle ball court

11/19/2020 Workshop

- The project team ran out of time to complete the "Plan" question with participants.

11/20/2020 Workshop

- Sidewalks!
- Public Art (there a great wall on S. Saunders)
- Community center with a library
- Land preservation for housing and common space
- Develop ways to protect the surrounding communities with the park design.
- Space (like little village) with small, local shops
- Difficult question without knowing what is already sold to developers. They may put in their own amenities.
- A nice community park
- Community gym / rec center
- A pool
- Something for youth/teens

Additional Comments/Notes

11/14/2020

No additional comments/notes.

11/17/2020 Workshop

Community Member: City of Raleigh Parks Board – how much is the City going to be working with the City's Park's advisory board about Dix park?

Answer: We meet with the Dix Edge Planning team biweekly for updates. We had worked with staff to provide an update to the Parks Board and there was a timing issue. We haven't produced any materials yet, which is when we would typically pass information on. We're currently in the informational gathering stage. I'll get in contact about that.

Community Member: How much of Dix is going to be mixed use and how much of the park are we keeping around? How much business compared to residents compared to park?

Sara: I'm going to ask a clarifying question: are you asking if the park would have those uses or the neighborhoods?

Community Member: Both.

Answer: Dix Park itself has a master plan itself that gives an overview of the park itself. The goal of that is that it's going to be a park. As far as the neighborhood study we're talking about today; we haven't gotten that far yet to determine what will be

11/19/2020 Workshop

No additional comments/notes.

11/20/2020 Workshop

Community Member: Did one neighborhood on your map show a public art project? What is that project?

Answer: Carolina Pine Avenue has an art project happening right now. There is also a streetscape art project. The Office of Public Arts is working with an artist for that area.

Community Member: good... just thinking that Dix could learn from this art.

what. The map is applied to every piece of property in the City. It gives a 20-year vision of what the City sees the land being used for. The study will look at the zoning today and evaluate if the current policies are still appropriate. We're not that far along yet. Today, we're just trying to see what's working and not working right now.

Community Member: How is the Dix Edge study working alongside development?

Answer: We have reached out the developers to highly encourage them to participate in the study.

Community Member: Are you guys working with GoRaleigh on how this will impact their routes as the area develops?

Answer: We are! We have an interdepartmental committee that includes many different departments. That team reviews any substantial materials and provide comment. So they are actively aware and involved in the project. GoRaleigh let us use digital advertisements and post flyers at bus stops, so they're aware of what's been going on in the project so far.

Community Member: I have one idea for you to look into. Something called a land trust – for Fuller Heights. It's a way to preserve affordable housing. Look at the possibilities for that for some of the areas that are threatened.