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- Midtown Raleigh Alliance
- First Citizens Bank
AGENDA

8:00 – 9:00am  Coffee and Refreshments
9:00 – 9:15am  Welcome and Introduction
9:15 – 10:00am  Group Presentation and Questions
10:00 – 10:15am  Break; Form Breakout Groups
10:15 – 11:45am  Breakout Group Discussion: Vision Statement Issues Opportunities
11:45 – 12:15pm  Small Groups Report Back
12:15 – 12:30pm  Wrap Up and Next Steps
WHY ARE WE HERE?

**Objective:**
The overall objective of the Six Forks Road Kick-off Workshop is to develop a clear vision for the character of the roadway and adjacent land uses into the future. The information gathered in preparation for and during the workshop will provide a framework of data, observations and community input that will be used to generate momentum toward a fully funded corridor study to occur in 2013.

**Outcome:**
The outcome of the workshop is intended to provide a clearly documented vision for the corridor and summary report that will be used to generate donations and potential grants to fund a more detailed study.
SCOPE

1. BASELINE DATA REPORT (BREIFING BOOK)
2. VISIONING WORKSHOP
3. VISION DOCUMENT
4. NEXT STEPS: FUNDRAISING
EXPERIENCES

• The road needs to improve its functionality for all modes of travel
• We can’t design private property, we can only “suggest” alternatives outside code requirements
• Funding for large scale improvements is not immediately available
• Funding for smaller “quick fixes” might be available in existing operating budgets
Six Forks Road is the Main Street of Midtown Raleigh – an urban destination where smart city living meets traditional community with its walkable 24/7 center at North Hills and the surrounding area of long established neighborhoods, thriving businesses, schools, churches, parks and gathering places.

Our vision is to create a corridor that defines a sense of place unique to Midtown with enhanced fluidity of movement for residents, workers, and visitors among transportation modes of all types, including cars, bikes, pedestrians, and future transit options. Safety and accessibility are paramount in designing a distinctive streetscape with unifying features and green space that make it both an attractive urban thoroughfare and an irresistible gathering place.
A walk through the briefing book
EXISTING CONDITIONS
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Bridge

85' Street Profile

6' Travel Lane
12' Travel Lane
11' Travel Lane
11' Travel Lane
12' Travel Lane
4' Travel Lane
12' Travel Lane
11' Travel Lane
12' Travel Lane
6' Travel Lane

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6 Forks Road Planmatic

A B C D E F H I J K L M N O P
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93’ Street Profile

Hills/440 Ramps
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ANALOGS

South Boulevard, Charlotte, NC
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Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD
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Park Avenue, NYC
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EMERGING THEMES

• Neighborhood Character
• Public Realm / Streetscape
• Building Form and Height
• Multimodal Transit Infrastructure
• Roadway Capacity and Sections
• Land Use/Future Land Use and Zoning
EMERGING ISSUES

- Vegetation (lack of street trees in some locations and overgrown vegetation that inhibits movement and sightlines)
- Road sections (variation in existing street section exacerbates vehicular movement)
- Sidewalks and multiuse paths (Existing sidewalks are too narrow and close to the road, is there a potential for multi-use paths?)
- Lighting (vehicular and pedestrian is inconsistent along the corridor)
- Additional modes of transit (potential for demo project)
- Traffic lights and timing
- Crosswalk locations and timing (timing of existing crosswalks is not sufficient for pedestrians)
- Wayfinding for vehicular travelers (need for vehicular wayfinding to help congestions and indecision)
- Lack of sidewalk connectivity from adjacent neighborhoods
- Lack of pedestrian and bike facilities on I-440 Bridge and through interchange
BREAKOUT GROUPS

1. **Vision Statement** - (10 mins)
   
   Provide feedback on the draft statement, revise as necessary

2. **Identify Issues** - (40 mins)
   
   What are the issues along Six Forks Corridor and within the Study Area? Use the dots to identify issues on the map.

3. **Identify Opportunities** - (40 mins)
   
   What are the opportunities along the Corridor? Use the dots to identify opportunities on the map.

   - **Land Use/Zoning** - What are appropriate land uses along the corridor?
   - **Height** - How tall should buildings be along the corridor (number of stories)?
   - **Frontage Type** - Should buildings be set up to the street, set back behind parking lots? A mixture? What types of frontages should be used where?

4. **Quick Fixes** - (10 mins)
   
   What are some of the opportunities that are quick fixes, or things that could be done in the short-term to address issues?
KEY QUESTIONS

• Does the vision statement accurately describe the future for the Corridor?
• What should future development look like along the corridor? (Height, setbacks, uses)
• What are the current issues with the corridor and where are they located?
• What future opportunities exist?
• Can you identify and locate any “quick fixes”?
NEXT STEPS

• Summarize Workshop results
• Create an illustrative report to document the process
• Identify funding sources for detailed study
• Continue to gather input via Civic Ideas web page.