

## MEETING MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Adam Chamy

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PROJECT:	Fairfax Kamp Washington	DATE:	November 18, 2021
PROJ. NO:	22108	TIME:	7:00 – 9:00 PM
SUBJECT:	Table Comments	LOCATION:	Katherine Johnson MS

### 1. Table 1

- Consider a car free lifestyle – a safe connectivity from Westmore, Fairchester, etc. to school and other parts of city. Pedestrian safety key along with bike
- Path behind buildings on Fairfax Boulevard
  - Current stormwater concerns, people hanging out there, trash
- Better spaces for car dealerships- they look ugly. Maybe ways to integrate them into the community. A car show?
- Make crossings safer. Greenways are a great idea
- Festivals and arts as an anchor
  - New arts center to define the area (fine arts, theater?)
- Finding places to have parking but also walk. Fairfax Corner works for this as an example.
- Places for teens to hang.
- Bring the city to this side of town
- Expand the greenspace of the cemetery. It's a unique place that defines this part of the city.
- Better parking access
- Keep and maintain retail

### 2. Table 2

- Fern Street and Fairfax Boulevard crossing is great
  - Want it vehicular but with lots of use for pedestrians and cyclists
  - Lots of trees
- Kutner Park
  - We like the idea of an active connections in and around the park
- Mobility Hub
  - Not enough to have strong feelings one way or other
- Fairfax Boulevard Frontage Road
  - Like path idea
- Connectivity
  - Keep through traffic if side neighborhoods.
  - Like connecting and opening up Kutner Park
  - There are lights and stops too close to 50/29
- Thumbs up for green space in triangle lot and a multi-level design that uses topography.

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### DISCUSSION:

- Eliminate lights at CVS and 29
- We like the greenway and the frontage road
- See map for more green areas
- Cemetery needs parking, fencing, use for a cut through and walking path currently
- Like the tier effect on parking and rooftop at Kamp Washington
- Bike connect to new route 66 bike path

### **Table 3**

- Like Westmore.
- Make residential streets more walkable – no sidewalks
- Like Fern Street Connection and better cross walks in general
- Triangle community center. Want an anchor restaurant at Kamp Washington on the corner
- Preserve and protect cemetery
- Gov't Center Pkwy Connection is good
- Walking paths only for Kutner Park
- Fairchester needs sidewalks to connect to Kamp Washington
- Moxley will need to be able to walk throughout

### **Table 4**

- No write ups- wrote directly on map.

### **Table 5**

- Left turn from Chestnut to Fairfax boulevard?
- How would access to the shopping center work with the sym works if the light is removed?
- Fern street could be 50% auto but 100% ped/bike. Don't allow west bound traffic to make left
- Kutner park- increase trail network with park, extend green to Boulevard
- Kutner park surrounding buildings could be office space with retail/restaurants on bottom. Maybe renovated to be nicer/ newer buildings
- Lee highway / FFX Blvd yes to increasing pedestrian crosswalks
- Mobility hub sounds like a good idea reduces traffic
- Germantown Circle, Wegmans, Fairfax Corner are places we go on County side because within KW there is subpar retail especially at mall. Would like to see it more appealing.
- Get rid of service road it seems problematic.

### **Table 6**

- Jermantown Cemetery
  - Keep retaining wall next to shopping center and along Fairfax Boulevard. Add a nicer brick stone wall
  - Add wrought iron fence along all back of cemetery, west side. Have gate with arch with name on top of cemetery.
  - Need historic markers
  - Don't allow dogs etc. to use space
- Greenspaces
  - Like the idea by Verizon at current paved area
  - Walkable green roof
  - Like the idea of a robust green space on other side of road so it connects cemetery to Fern Street green space.
  - Like the green walkway to Kutner Park & Lee highway

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- Want to see a greenway from transit hub to the park also
- Shops and restaurants centered around the mobility hub with EV charging, bike racks,
- Want to see a performing arts amphitheater
- Narrow sidewalks are a problem
- Added lights on Fairfax Boulevard may make more congestion not less
- No dog walkers in cemetery
- Some sort of special community event for the neighborhood
- 40' walking path on government extension. Add bike lane
- Add transit hub. We like it.
- More bike racks
- General Concern
  - More stops, lights, more congestion, getting into the cemetery, narrow sidewalks
  - No parking inside cemetery
  - Keep walk on shopping center side, Fairfax Blvd side, add stone wall
  - Interactive kiosk would be great
- Other comments (captured by consultant team):
  - Regency / KW Shopping Center Green Space - Liked the idea of an urban park in the parking lot as well as a proposed green rooftop. Please check out the 30,000-sf green roof of the Watermark Hotel in Tysons (Capital One Building with the Wegman's). Also referenced the public open space at National Harbor.
  - Fern Street – Pedestrian and bicycles only. Think another vehicular signaled intersection will just make traffic back up even more on both Lee Highway and Fairfax Boulevard.
  - Kutner Park – Liked pedestrian access through 50 / 66
  - Jermantown Rd – Think the Government Center Parkway should T-bone / dead end into a Mobility Hub in the Triangle (across Jermantown Rd within the Triangle). From there, liked the UMD public amenity space slide idea with pedestrian and bicycle access from there to other Triangle destinations.
  - Frontage Road – Move to other side of Fairfax Boulevard as green space fronting on the Triangle and improve sidewalk experience (too narrow by cemetery) and other boulevard conditions. Help link open / green space in Triangle to other green spaces (Kutner Park).
  - Cemetery Specifics (any future improvements will depend on ground penetrating radar to determine where people are buried)
    - Want it fenced (tall black wrought iron fencing with curved arch entryway) especially to keep dogs out
    - No parking inside or through paths
    - No murals on the retaining wall but should be more aesthetic (stone or brick façade)
    - Interested in an interactive kiosk, historical markers, etc.
    - No lighting
  - Two general comments:
    - Inquired about timing (5-10 years)
    - Orientation to the base map was confusing at first (what was being represented and how)

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DISCUSSION:

Please accept these memoranda as our understanding of the discussions, agreements, or directives. Please notify Cunningham | Quill Architects in writing as soon as possible of any misunderstandings or discrepancies noted herein.

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