

MEETING NOTES - Study Group - Zoning 101

Project	Burlington Corridor Study	BNIM Architects	
Meeting Location	Community Center	Meeting Date	23 October 2008

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The discussions from October, 23rd will be used to move the Study forward and to define the true vision for the Burlington Corridor. The purpose of this Study Group meeting was to educate the group about how Plans and Studies like the Burlington Corridor Study translate into zoning regulations. The planning team presented a short history of zoning and illustrated what the current zoning on Burlington does and does not regulate. The presentation also included a brief summary of some alternatives to current zoning techniques. In addition to the zoning 101 discussion, the planning team wanted to get some specific feedback about the type of development (residential, commercial and industrial) the group desires on Burlington and they used individual voting key pads to ask some key survey questions of the group.

Discussion/Survey topics that need additional discussion: During the survey and discussion portion of the evening it became evident that a few key topics will require more conversation and understanding as the project team moves forward.

- The types of Residential Uses that are appropriate on the Corridor and where they are most appropriate.
- The amount of industrial use permitted on the corridor, the type of industrial use, and where it should be located.
- Parking: What types of parking are appropriate on the Corridor and where.
- Clarify what types of commercial uses are appropriate on the Corridor.

There were a total of 40 attendees at the October 23rd meeting:

55% of the attendees were stakeholder representatives which included Business owners, developers and press representatives.

13% were Planning commission

16% were City Council

16% were City Staff

Participants were asked to answer a series of survey questions and the following results were tabulated:

77% felt it was important or somewhat important to create a **pedestrian friendly Burlington Corridor**

72% felt it was important or somewhat important to **slow traffic on Burlington.**

69% felt it was important or somewhat important to **maintain current traffic count** on Burlington

25% felt it was not important

89% felt it was important or very important to **create a gateway at the intersection of Armour and Burlington**

41% felt it was important or somewhat important to maintain the industrial character of the corridor

46% felt it was not important

94% felt it was important or somewhat important to **create building guidelines for new development** on the corridor.

79% felt it was important or somewhat important to **create building guidelines for energy efficiency and environmental performance for new and existing development** on the corridor.

89.2% felt it was **desirable to increase the height** of buildings on the corridor.

49% desired **less industrial uses** than is currently on the Corridor

32% desired **no change in the amount of industrial** use on the Corridor

97.4% believe it is appropriate to use **existing industrial buildings for adaptive reuse**

100% believe **Commercial** use is appropriate on Burlington (*need to clarify exact types of commercial*)

89% believe that **more commercial** use would be appropriate on the corridor

72% believe that creating a **consistent street frontage** on the corridor is either important or very important

72% believe **residential is appropriate** on Burlington

62% believe **residential is NOT appropriate on the ground floor** on Burlington