

Summary of SCC Civic Center Project Scoping Meeting Comments, March 21, 2017

PLEASE NOTE: The purpose of this meeting was to seek out comments, questions, and concerns to be addressed by the Environmental Impact Report. The public will have the opportunity to comment on this report once it is released. Also, this summary does not include comments that were submitted separately either through a comment card or via email to Dave Rader, the County Planner overseeing this environmental review of the Civic Center Master Plan project.

1. COMMENT: Commenter expressed concern about traffic impact on Hyde Park and Vendome neighborhoods. Fourth Street is planned for bike lanes, thereby reducing auto travel lanes. There is already cut-through traffic.
2. COMMENT: The County should set aside funds for traffic calming in the Hyde Park and Vendome neighborhoods.
3. COMMENT: The East Wing is currently used for community events and the PA system can be heard in the neighborhoods. Need to consider the noise impact of use of the proposed public spaces.
4. COMMENT: Younger Avenue is already impacted by traffic due to changes to the roadway network.
5. COMMENT: A lot of money is being spent on the limited use of the County buildings and the public has no voice on the outcome. There is a quality of life issue.
6. COMMENT: The City and County should be working together to address traffic.
7. QUESTION/COMMENT: Who has paid for the work so far on this project? Tax dollars are being used and the public should have more input.
8. COMMENT: A presentation of the project needs to be given to the neighbors. This is already a done deal and we have had no input.
9. QUESTION: How can this project happen until the streets are fixed and the infrastructure is upgraded?
10. COMMENT: The project needs to address the airport.
11. COMMENT: Cars already park in Hyde neighborhood. Bringing more people will exacerbate it. Some streets already have permit parking, but others do not.
12. COMMENT: There should not be a fee for permit parking in the neighborhood.
13. QUESTION: How many more new employees/visitors will result from completion of Phase I and future phases?

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14. QUESTION: How much more water will be used?
15. QUESTION: Will there be a new EIR for future phases?
16. COMMENT: The EIR needs to look at the totality of the development, not just Phase I.
17. COMMENT: Phase I should look at infrastructure and soil.
18. COMMENT: The cost to the taxpayers would be substantial.
19. QUESTION: What are the meetings in May for? To seek approval from the Board of Supervisors to proceed with the next phases of the project, Schematic Design and Design Development.
20. COMMENT: The project description in the NOP seems very preliminary for a project level analysis.
21. COMMENT: It feels like the noticing and project description in the NOP are insufficient. I don't like the level of outreach or transparency. The NOP should be re-noticed.