## Prosperity Hucks Area Plan: Small Group Meeting Notes

# Mix of Use

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This is a record of comments and questions from the small group meetings held at the Mallard Creek Recreation Center on Wednesday, June 12, 2014. Comments are grouped into several categories: Mix of Use, Character, Open Space, and Transportation; also grouped by whether they were expressions of aspiration or questions. The highlighted words are an attempt to give a sense of the key points, tone, range of issues, and diversity of thoughts expressed. The last two pages show the same comments as expressed in the individual groups.

# **Character**

- No more than 3 to 4 stories; Like the new apartments.
- Need a way to control the **look**; not allow a hodgepodge.
- Highland Creek is high amenity location; like to see that level of
- quality in the Village.
- Want to stay in

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- neighborhood and
- downsize, but have amenities: want a flat with
- ÷ σ elevator access similar to
- Metropolitan or Ratcliffe.
- -City can **control height** Q limits; can control character in S some wavs.
  - Some recent townhouses are stripped down from details on earlier townhouses.
  - Rents have to be high; can't control rents or prices, but can control character.

- As example of **good village** design, look at Afton Village at Exit
- 54 • Not connected; their green space feels like the **apartments'**
- private **backyard**. • Plan has been presented as **Cute**
- village, but what is happening is not what was shown in 1999; apartments instead of cute coffee shops.
- Challenge now is to figure out how the village development gets
- done with lots of **separate OWNERS**; Birkdale had one owner/ developer.
- Want to see hanging baskets, brick, windows along the street.
- Music in park/school music programs Not allow big parking lots
- to dominate the center of the village.

developers to provide

- 201 Central center is covered with cars; not walkable or attractive.
- Don't want to have to **hold** kids' hands for safety.
- Development with structured parking rather than strip center with parking out front.
- Design policies are very loose and vague.
- Want to see high end development
- Want to be able to **ride bike** into town.
- Have to watch City Council and zoning matters and monitor
- proposals. • Show the area where a Birkdale type village is to be.
- Pedestrian Access: Want to be able to walk or bike to it.
- Want the place to **feel like** a community.

- Don't like **Concord Mills** and its wide roads and **Strip**
- development; don't want
- If we have to have townhouses. want higher value, for professionals working Uptown
- Area has other challenges: Wallace Farm and its continuing smells; a golf course near to

that here.

- bankruptcy. · Did not ever understand that the Village would be **what is**
- being proposed now.
- Control **price point** of the townhouses to support luxury type retail.
- Liked the original village concept; it is now turning into **a hodge**podge of strip centers and apartments.

neighborhood: Professionals live here; after hours want use for them; Blakeney got it right; here

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- getting remnants and how much can squeeze in.
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- demographics as **Ballantyne** and South Park; want the same level of **quality**; they do
- not have **multi-family** there.
- Ten years ago, envisioned growth similar to South Side.
- Our community is "active adults," but there are no **good** eateries.

- Lots of **rumors** going around about multi-family, and how they will make area a slum;
- think not.
- Want place to walk around and enjoy; places where people will **spend money**; not just
- more places to live. Existing retail offerings are poor; no place to go with family for
- lunch, walk, small
- **shops**, etc.; hoping that this
- plan can get that for area. The challenge is that everyone wants the village, but the stuff
- coming in is **not like the**

### village vision.

- We are driving toward a thriving community. • Can only have one plan: at some point have to bite bullet and
- some may not like it.

- The vision in plan is for **mixed**
- use; will we champion that
- 2 or allow for
- fragmented development?
- •---Where and how are we getting the ÷ Birkdale type elements?
  - Control **height** of buildings: two-story limit?
- Question about present rezoning proposal: How is it like a Village? Why not draw something that

Can we **require** 

amenities?

- shows requirements. other than land use plots.
- At interchange location • Will this become just a can expect to see **push for** typical 1-485 fast food and gas
- stations; can we ask for design
- restrictions, signage limits, etc.? • Who controls/decides what is developed?
- interchange instead of
- something special? • How are we going to walk to
- these places?
- At interchange we are trying to create a pedestrian area: is that possible?
- freeway, not to the south. How

villages?

- Most of village is to north of
- about two smaller

• Charlotte is growing; sometimes

## dense is good; type and

### design matters.

- Who will come here and invest
- if we are still fighting over the area plan?
- Preponderance of strip stores: Have too many; our small shops
- are not that nice.
- Don't even notice the
- multi-family at Birkdale; just enjoy the shops.
- Want walking areas/more

### cohesive.

 Regional distinctions: Concord Mills is #1 tourist attraction; Highland Creek is largest unique residential area; add to that a

### unique interchange.

- Miss trees and don't care for stores up to street edge; prefer suburban setbacks.
- It is **Okay** for this to be different: a residential exit on the freeway.
- Knew I-485 was coming when moved here.
- Get village feel as best we can; but not multi-family.
- Bought into the Village idea with coffee shops, and will support that, but apartments only add

### non-property owners.

- Reston Town Center in Virginia does have multi-family; Don't see retail, but see the nice trees. Need
- a **good balance** to make it work. Walk/bike anywhere.

# **Open Space**

- No place to gather once all available land is developed.
- Need more gathering places: open, grassy, sizeable tract
- of land • Now drive to **Davidson** for
- quiet and open space.
- Can we show a public **ODEN SDACE** element and commit to it?
- Matthews has open space for Matthews Alive.

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- Need some space to leave as oper space/park/place to go.
- A Village should mean **places** ÷
  - to sit. do things. Get some through development process
  - from developer.
- Q Need bigger, central space;
- identify need; **funding** 4 issue.
  - Highland Creek is de-facto park provider
  - Want soccer fields in center; none close by.
  - Not space for big fields in village, but need space for **festivals**, spray parks, basketball.
  - Where is the green space?
  - Can City purchase property for recreation purposes?
  - Can we **require** developers to build open space?
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- Need more green space and more walkability.
- Need for green space.
- Need green space within the center.
- Could use **library** and green spaces
- Not see park space designated; place to act as a community focus.
- Once you lose green
- Space, you never get it back. Other than Clarks Creek
- Nature Preserve, have no green space; Do not consider recreation fields and greenway as green space
- Reedy Creek is only state-certified nature preserve in the area. • Need pockets of green space;
- provide relief to Highland

**Creek** from being the private provider of open space for whole area.

- Want bike paths and sidewalks: have in Highland Creek but not extending outward
- or into village. Centralize a park space.
- Can we leave some land undeveloped, with trees and open space?
- Will new multi-family and townhouse developments **have**
- their own recreational amenities and open space?
- Is Clarks Creek greenway designated. funded?

- Back up in traffic through Absence of Ridge Road Village area. extension to Eastfield Road
- Recent **increase** in traffic on Highland Creek Road.
- Timing of Benfield construction: northern section delayed by mobile home park.
- Bus route: how to accommodate without stopping traffic
- Traffic problems; **horrible** now.
- Concerned with gas fumes at roundabouts.
- Multi-family **developers build** curb, gutters, sidewalks and the City is **off the hook**
- for those things. Four-lane Prosperity Church comes down to two
- lanes in village.

**Transportation** 

- puts pressure on Prosperity Church Road. • Need to plan and think as though Eastfield is not going to be
- widened.... Coping. • We are driving these roads
- every day trying to envision.
- Eastfield is a main feeder road to I-485. It is a **bottleneck** and always will be.
- Pretty Village will be
- overrun by traffic. Alternative to the three roads would have been for the typical single freeway
- crossing with one four-lane road leading to ONE
- interchange with long left turn waits

- Freeway will **not take traffic** Street network looks a lot **like** from I-85, I-77; will still come Dilworth with grid of lots through Prosperity Church Road of streets
- Plan does not take Eastfield congestion into consideration; takes ½ hour to get
- through Eastfield. • Much of traffic **coming** though now will get onto I-485 • When I-485 opens, much
- and bypass the neighborhood, freeing
- things up. • I believe and **trust** that the professionals have the **road** design worked out.
- Some Eastfield traffic will **USE** I-485 instead.
- Congestion; likely to **continue**
- Pattern will change dramatically when I-485 opens; hard to predict.

- Eastfield Road: What is timing of improvements?
- Roundabouts: dangerous?
- Does data show that options will allow some to not be on Eastfield. but diverted to I-485?
- Any **examples** of round-about interchanges like this?
- Will traffic **back up on** ramps?
- why new medians (installed today) on Prosperity Church at Fastfield?
- Plans to widen Eastfield
- Road: Who would do it? When?
- Why entertain adding say 3,000 more cars to the area?

- Where is the **data**?
- Will we require the
- **builder** to construct the southeast arc (**Prosperity**
- (ves)
- roadways? Varies; some city; some state; some private developer or homeowner
- Oehler) is zoned for small lot

## single family

detached; could it be changed to multi-family? (only if rezoned, with City Council public comment).

- Are sidewalks required for new development (yes) • Appreciate **connectivity**, but
- how do you know it will work without specifying/**knowing**
- the **USES** to be there? When will the northeast arc
- (Prosperity Ridge above Ridge) be done? (December 2014 at same time as I-485.) No **right turn**

## onto Prosperity

- Church from Eastfield. (planned/required as part of the recent rezoning at that corner) Who can we work on to get that earlier?

- Ridge below Johnston-Oehler)?
- Who maintains the
- association. • Property at southeast arc (Prosperity Ridge below Johnston-

- Freeway will be below
- grade; won't see it as we look across from one side to the other. Mallard Creek Church Road has nice bike lane now.
- pressure will be off
- Eastfield Road.
- Lots of major projects and
- changes are already **in the**
- works.
- Another interchange at Mallard Creek Road
- also will relieve pressure on Prosperity Church.
- **On-street parking** is good; still need other parking; but shove it to the back.

• Eastfield is 2-lane State

route. not scheduled for widening in foreseeable future.

- Recent Browne Road improvements did not improve conditions.
- When network is done, can take Prosperity Church and **other**

roads to get to new access ramps

 Hucks Road extension (Prosperity Hucks to Browne): Can't build 4-lane road section there; would like it to become a

greenway connection instead.

- Traffic is at gridlock.
- Study putting in bike paths and sidewalks.

• Some road elements now not to

- be done for **18 months**: is there way to make sure
- development does not outrun those roads?
- Any plans to work on Eastfield Road?
- **Dearmon** at Prosperity
- Church **backs up** so bad, can't get in or out of BiLo (as network is built. will alleviate that?) Where are actual entrances/exits onto I-485?
- Are the entrance/exit
- roads adequate for now, and for 20 years from now?

- Are there other places with street network like this somewhere?
- New concrete median at Prosperity Church near Eastfield: What is it? Why?
- Does City coordinate with Cabarrus and
- Huntersville? How many streets in the Village will have sidewalks and

bikeways? All major thoroughfares will have both

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  - Has current rezoning developer changed their plan? Community plans to be there. Can they/will they defer until plan is finalized?
  - Don't want more multi-family in there.
  - No continuity to create that village: Birkdale created from an empty slate.
  - Separate property ownership has no incentive for owners to build in connections and continuity.
- ers and retailers away; This is harder than Birkdale to do: Working on how to deal with getting continuity from site to site.
  - Hard to see the flow; rather have single family detached.
  - Listen to the people who live here: want retail, not more residential.
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- Reston Town Center in Virginia does have multifamily; Don't see retail, but see the nice trees. Need a good balance to make it work. Walk/bike anywhere.
- Most of village is to north of freeway, not to the south. How about two smaller villages?

<ul> <li>Can City purchase property for recreation purposes?</li> <li>No place to gather once all available land is developed.</li> <li>Need more gathering places: open, grassy, sizeable tract of land.</li> <li>Can we require developers to build open space?</li> <li>Now drive to Davidson for quiet</li> </ul>	Group 2 Wednesday 5:30 pm Matthews has open space for Matthews Alive. Need some space to leave as open space/park/place to go. A Village should mean places to sit, do things. Get some through development process from developer. Need bigger, central space; identify need; funding issue. Highland Creek is de-facto park provider. Want soccer fields in center; none close by. Not space for big fields in village, but need space for festivals, spray parks, basketball.	Group 3 Wednesday 7 pm • Can we leave some land undeveloped, with trees and open space? • Will new multi-family and townhouse developments have their own recreational amenities and open space? • Is Clarks Creek greenway designated, funded?	Group 4 Thursday 2:30 pm • Need more green space and more walkability. • Need for green space. • Need green space within the center. • Could use library and green spaces.	Group 5 Thursday 4 pm • Not see park space designated; place to act as a community focus. • Once you lose green space, you never get it back. • Other than Clarks Creek Nature Preserve, have no green space; Do not consider recreation fields and greenway as green space. • Reedy Creek is only state-certified nature preserve in the area.
improvements? • Back up in traffic through Village	two lanes in village.	<ul> <li>Any examples of round-about interchanges like this?</li> <li>Will traffic back up on ramps?</li> <li>Absence of Ridge Road extension to Eastfield Road puts pressure on Prosperity Church Road.</li> <li>Why new medians (installed today) on Prosperity Church at Eastfield?</li> <li>Plans to widen Eastfield Road: Who would do it? When?</li> <li>Need to plan and think as though Eastfield is not going to be widened Coping.</li> <li>We are driving these roads every day trying to envision.</li> <li>Why entertain adding say 3,000 more cars to the area?</li> <li>Where is the data?</li> <li>Eastfield is a main feeder road to I-485. It is a bottleneck and always will be.</li> <li>Pretty Village will be overrun by traffic.</li> <li>Alternative to the three roads would have been for the typical single freeway crossing with one four-lane road leading to one interchange with long left turn waits.</li> <li>Will we require the builder to construct the southeast arc (Prosperity Ridge below Johnston-Oehler)? (yes)</li> <li>Who maintains the roadways? Varies; some city; some state; some private developer or homeowner association.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Property at southeast arc (Prosperity Ridge below Johnston-Oehler) is zoned for small lot single family detached; could it be changed to multi-family? (only if rezoned, with City Council public comment).</li> <li>Are sidewalks required for new development (yes)</li> <li>Appreciate connectivity, but how do you know it will work without specifying/knowing the uses to be there?</li> <li>Freeway will not take traffic from I-85, I-77; will still come through Prosperity Church Road.</li> <li>Plan does not take Eastfield congestion into consideration; takes ½ hour to get through Eastfield.</li> <li>Much of traffic coming though now will get onto I-485 and bypass the neighborhood, freeing things up.</li> <li>When will the northeast arc (Prosperity Ridge above Ridge) be done? (December 2014 at same time as I-485).</li> <li>No right turn onto Prosperity Church from Eastfield. (planned/required as part of the recent rezoning at that corner) Who can we work on to get that earlier?</li> <li>Some Eastfield traffic will use I-485 instead.</li> <li>I believe and trust that the professionals have the road design worked out.</li> <li>Congestion; likely to continue.</li> <li>Some road elements now not to be done for 18 months; is there way to make sure development does not outrun those roads?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Any plans to work on Eastfield Road?</li> <li>Pattern will change dramatically when I-485 opens; hard to predict.</li> <li>Street network looks a lot like Dilworth with grid of lots of streets.</li> <li>Freeway will be below grade; won't see it as we look across from one side to the other.</li> <li>How many streets in the Village will have sidewalks and bikeways? All major thoroughfares will have both.</li> <li>Mallard Creek Church Road has nice bike lane now.</li> <li>When I-485 opens, much pressure will be off Eastfield Road.</li> <li>Lots of major projects and changes are already in the works.</li> <li>Another interchange at Mallard Creek Road also will relieve pressure on Prosperity Church.</li> <li>On-street parking is good; still need other parking; but shove it to the back.</li> </ul>

### Group 6 Thursday 7 pm

- get it back.
- Need pockets of green space; provide relief to Highland Creek from being the private provider of open space for whole area.
- Want bike paths and sidewalks: have in Highland Creek but not extending outward or into village.
- Centralize a park space.

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- h with grid of lots of streets. Where are actual entrances/exits onto I-485?
- ee it as we look across from Are the entrance/exit roads adequate for now, and for 20 years from now?
  - Eastfield is 2-lane State route, not scheduled for widening in foreseeable future.
  - Recent Browne Road improvements did not improve conditions.
  - When network is done, can take Prosperity Church and other roads to get to new access ramps.
  - Are there other places with street network like this somewhere?
  - Hucks Road extension (Prosperity Hucks to Browne): Can't build 4-lane road section there; would like it to become a greenway connection instead.
  - New concrete median at Prosperity Church near Eastfield: What is it? Why?
  - Does City coordinate with Cabarrus and Huntersville?
  - Traffic is at gridlock.
  - Study putting in bike paths and sidewalks.