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Exit 13/Golden Triangle Study

<u>General</u>

Very interesting and unique way of gathering information, what is the next step and how will neighbors be informed? – Joan Murrlaugh.

Sidewalks, Bicycles, Accessibility :

• Lots of Ideas. Need to increase walkability to reduce traffic Mall to Mall.

– David Longden.

• Density, density, density and mixed uses to support transit Improvement and balanced w/access to exiting open spaces that are under-utilized. Make the area walkable, and bikeable.

- Anonymous.

- Thank you so much for hosting this event and inviting us!
- Best Amanda Shepard.

Thanks for having this event. Great to give Feedback. AND HAVE A GRIPE SESSION. Things I want:

- Interchange AT 126/30/9. A GATEWAY to the Triangle, Fix the Stairs OR take them out Landscaping Walkable!
- "X" Crosswalks, so Pedestrian Don't have to wait for the Lights twice.
- Separate walk and / OR bike ways with physical barrios from the CARS.
- Snow removal on <u>ALL</u> Sidewalks even RT 9.
- More Trees OR Retail with covered walkways so you can walk Store to Store in the rain.
- Entertainment + Experiences, Shows, bowling, Mini Golf, Dancing, Play Ground + For Kids too.
- AND one more thing! Cutouts/Pull ins for busses Could have put one at the Shelter at Lowes but instead it Holds up traffic.

– Anonymous.

Thanks for this event. I work on Speen Street (and live in Saxonville). When the weather is nice, there are HORDES of office workers out walking at lunchtime – on Newbury, on Leggatt McCall – because the streetscapes are reasonably inviting. Who wants to walk on Speen or Rte 30?



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Imagine if there was an inviting pedestrian Streetscape on Speen Street, and Route 30, and attractive, safe crossings. <u>TONS</u> of people would walk from their offices to retail and restaurants. Imagine a more attractive Rte 30, with outdoor cafes at the sidewalk, and lovely landscaping. Imagine an appealing for – pedestrians – bicycle lists. Flutie Pass to go between Shoppers World and Natick Mall. That's my vision for the Triangle!

- Sharon Machlis Gartenberg, SHERON@DISTRICT2FRAMINGHAM.com.

- More accessibility around, better traffic flow + signage.
- Consideration of abutting neighborhoods impacts of more density to traffic + Framingham Public Safety.
- Shoppers would flow of Pedestrians + Disabled Shoppers & Entertainment center as was planned when rebuilt.
- Limit to Natick further expansion in Mall that creates domino detrimental traffic gridlock.

– Anonymous

Transit/MWRTA Bus Route Improvements (N. Framingham):

• The biggest impact can be made by improving the MWRTA as a short-term goal, but carried over for the long term. The routes on the North side of Framingham are lousy at best. More roads underutilized. Consider a possible route that looks like this:

Up Elm St., left on Potter Rd; right on Water St.; left on Edgell Rd loop back down Edgell Rd.;right on Water St. to Pinefield Plaza / Saxonville; Left on Central St.; Right on Concord St..

- Also a bus route from Central St. that can relay @ Pinefield Plaza / Saxonville and Connect w/the Elm/Water St. line of service.
- Right from Edgell Rd onto Central St. Connect at Pinefield Plaza/Saxonville and loop back to Central St.

- Wayne <u>Cadko0210@yahoo.com</u>

Residential and Transportation:

- Great Opportunity for "Lifestyle Center" type development.
 - Mixed use + residential.
 - Open air retail/restaurant space.
 - Public art/Performance space.
 - Think Mashpee Commons but bigger w/more permanent residents.



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- Generally emphasize experience at the Visitor/resident; do emphasize the brief visit to pick up a few items.
- Transportation thoughts
 - Boulevard style thoroughfare for user.
 - Bypass for other.
 - Loop extension for bike/ped off of CRT; signal for amenities/stops.
 - Centralized parking/garage plus Shuttle Service throughout area.
 - Wetland (natural oasis) area center could be a real asset w/Pedestrian Modules (boardwalks).
 - Access to Lake Cochituate.

– Anonymous.

MASS PIKE Exits + Light Pollution from Exit 13:

- Time of entry onto Pike prior years 7AM to be in by 8 now need be on pike by 6:30 to be in 8 AM.
- Light Pollution curb Lights on or block after 9pm with blinds.

– Anonymous.

Interesting! But... where is the exit data?

- 1. How many vehicles entered and exited Exit 13 (Natick/Fram) in
 - a. 2016 <u>annual 2017</u> year to date.
 - b. 2006 10 years previous.
 - c. Year Pike opened 1957.
 - d. Forecast numbers for 10 years forward.
- 2. What is trend? Can Exit 13 handle volume? Is it even feasible?
- 3. How many vehicles exit Exit 13 and Golden Triangle through residential streets?

– Anonymous.

Open Space/Property Values:

- 1) Please make open space a priority. There is a <u>very</u> little in Golden Triangle so move ASAP.
- 2) There is no topography on Map. [Golden Triangle] lays between/below 2 hills so light pollution <u>already high.</u> Visually do you want R-1 houses looking into apartment windows?
- 3) <u>Must make</u> sure [Golden Triangle] plans <u>do not reduce</u> property values of abutting R-1 homes.
- Anonymous.



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I'm not an abutter, but to I do hope any height rezoning, especially, will take neighboring homeowners' into account. They chose to move into and make their biggest investments in a classic suburban neighborhood. Towering buildings and unceasing traffic would be a betrayal of that compact.

– Anonymous

Comments on this Open House:

- Glad to visit here tonight. Seemed a lot and was impressed by the dedication of the organizers.
- The photos to explain one's wishes of what they would like to have in the Golden Triangle is brilliant.
- Story board + maps were great + putting dots on various idea/wishes were a great way to collect opinions/ideas. Thanks....
- Hopefully you will post the pictures of the boards to a website or send to all town members to see what happened tonight. Majority of people that will be affected did not come here tonight therefore give them something to see and think of what they would like to change.

– Anonymous

Request for more outreach:

- Good Presentation + opportunity for input. Need to do more public outreach online Facebook, framgov, surveys.
- Do actual, on the ground surveys of southside population (including immigrants) to see what they would like to see downtown.
- No more Rt 9/Rt 30 apartments

– Anonymous

Joint Community Open House

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Framingham Neighborhood Level Meeting

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