

Burton Station SGA Plan Revision – Public Meeting #2 on 3/26/18
Attendee Questions and Staff Responses

1. How will the Burton Station development as shown in the new master plan affect public sewer service and the drainage system in L & J Gardens/Diamond Lake Estates?

Public Utilities indicated that the pump station in Burton Station will not serve the L and J Gardens or Diamond Lake Estates neighborhoods. The Burton Station pump station is going to have sufficient capacity to serve all envisioned uses within the Burton Station SGA. Staff from the Stormwater Division of Public Works indicated that development activity within Burton Station, as a result of this plan, will not have an impact on drainage within the neighborhoods on the opposite side of Northampton Blvd.

2. What efforts are being made to ensure construction contractors and designers (architects) doing the work to implement the Burton Station SGA Plan are African-American to reflect the African American heritage of the Burton Station area.

Currently, when projects are solicited for construction the bid documents will include a SWaM certification (Small, Women owned, and Minority-owned Business Certified Sub-Contracting Participation Plan). This document is completed and submitted as part of the bid documents and requires the prime contractor to utilize SWaM-certified businesses for at least 50% of the subcontracted work. All three sub-contractors with the Burton Station Road Phase I project are SWaM certified. The City has contracted Denver-based BBC Research & Consulting, a firm specializing in conducting disparity studies that assess how minority-, women- and veteran-owned businesses are faring in the local marketplace, to analyze the City's contracting and procurement.

3. How can residents be involved in the planning of the African-American heritage park?

A steering committee has been established to guide the Plan update process. We would like to expand this committee for the purpose of planning for a memorial related to the history of Burton Station. The Department of Parks and Recreation has indicated that they have a staff intern who has expressed an interest in helping to organize the effort.

4. Were the Burton Station residents contacted directly about this public meeting?

Yes, property owners in Burton Station Village were contacted via letter and other individuals from the first meeting that provided email information were also sent the meeting notice. In addition, a press release, 2 newspaper ads and a special webpage referenced in all communication materials has been established to provide information.

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5. Where are the meeting minutes that document decisions being made for creating the Burton Station Plan?

Public Meeting summaries are posted on the web page at www.vbgov.com//burtonstation . Planning Director Barry Frankenfield addressed the question and asked “how would residents like to be involved?” It was initially suggested that the steering committee be created to oversee the implementation of the Burton Station Memorial after the plan update was adopted by City Council. After some discussion, Mr. Frankenfield recommended that the planning process be extended and involve a steering committee in the drafting of the plan. He then asked for interested persons to contact city staff. Since the meeting, a committee has been established with four of the five members accepted appointment.

6. What about the white dashed line on the south side of Northampton Blvd.? What does it mean?

The white line indicates the plan area boundary.

7. Please coordinate a meeting with Diamond Lake Estates and L & J Gardens civic leagues about the plan.

Both civic leagues have been contacted to have a participant on the steering committee. A meeting was held in February with L and J Gardens and staff has expressed a willingness to meet with Diamond Lake Estates.

8. What about traffic? How is traffic, which is already bad, going to be affected by the development shown in the plan?

VDOT requires a traffic review for Comprehensive Plan updates to determine traffic impacts; and the SGA Office will also contract a general traffic study.

9. Is Burton Station going to be an Opportunity Zone?

Burton Station is #2 on the Cities list of zones submitted to the Governor’s office.

Individual comments after the group presentation:

1. Several attendees stressed the need for more citizen involvement and suggestions for steering committee members.
2. What is the process for rezoning property on Burton Station Road? **Process information was provided by staff along with contact information.**

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Written Comments:

- Would like to be involved in the planning.
- Sidewalks needed ASAP, can't walk from Tranquility at the Lakes to Outlet Mall.
- Open space recommendations for handicap accessible picnic tables/shaded areas, outdoor concerts, would like to safely ride scooter to outlet mall, more restaurants and a movie theatre.
- Need to get input from Diamond Lake Estates
- Single Family homes for Burton Station Village (2 separate responses)
- Traffic was bad 20 years ago and getting worse.
- Raised bed community gardening
- Pedestrian bridge with elevator across Northampton
- Need to consult with home owners before approving plans
- Do not block off Burton Station Road to Miller Store
- Get rid of Econo Lodge due to crime, drugs, prostitution