

NASHVILLE CIVIC DESIGN CENTER

Notes compiled from the Music City Center Community Meeting 30 September 2008

Combined Results

Table results are combined when relevant, and grouped according to categories outlined in the design team's presentation. Additional notes or clarifications are noted in brackets [].

What three elements or ideas are most compelling/best and definitely need to be a part of the vision plan? (Number of Repeated Comments)

Organization/Orientation/Design (54)

- Mix of uses (retail, commercial, restaurants), retail that attracts walkable neighborhoods (14)
- Location and orientation of the Convention Center building (visual to city, concourse placement, 5 side emphasis, openness) (13)
- 100% corner (4 sides- entrances on all sides possible, all 4 sides accessible, no backside to Music City Center) (13)
- Façade (glass and columns on the outside, style of entrances) and roof design (green roof, aesthetics of roof to embrace city) (7)
- Elevation of Exhibition Hall (5)
- Natural lightning (2)

Transportation (26)

- Roundabout (24)
- Streets and traffic (extension of Franklin Street, connection Gulch to MCC, Demonbreun, loading and gateways for trucks) (16)
- Opening of 6th Avenue and closing of 7th Avenue (6)
- Larger sidewalks (4)

Neighborhood and District- proximity (10)

- parks and greenways with potential parking underneath, green roof, breakup along Demonbreun with park (10)

What three elements or ideas are not as convincing, need more study, or should not be included in the vision plan?

Access and Connectivity (32)

- Connectivity (numbers and widths of the street lanes, connection to other hotels, Molloy → Thermal site, 7th as southern entrance, type of access from Koreans

- Veteran Boulevard to Convention Center, concerns about sending any semis out to I-65, street closures) (12)
- Potential expansions (Convention Center, hotels, street lanes, greenways) (7)
- Roundabout (larger size, design, semis at roundabout) (7)
- Elevation of 5th Avenue (5)
- 6th Avenue feeling character – should not feel like under a building (1)

Organization/Orientation/Design (30)

- Usability of space and streets (potential locations, ability of buildings and streets) (12)
- Substation safety and location (6)
- Green spaces (lack of parks and trees in center and on Korean Veteran Boulevard, limited trees that are there should not be deleted) (5)
- Design/operation/study of project (simulations of potential development, roof -scape definitions) (4)
- Window in Exhibition Hall to the West (1)
- 100% corner (1)
- Trend going down gateway – mixed-use lining (1)

Transportation (19)

- Loading dock issue (truck circulation, impact on hotel south of gateway, truck entries, floor surface efficiency, roundabout) (11)
- Parking issues (parking space for Sommet Center, downtown and truck limits under exhibition Hall, consequences of parking on KVB) (7)
- Redeveloped property dedicate sidewalks (1)

Neighborhood and Districts – proximity (9)

- Impacts on other hotels, churches Sommet Center underground excess, traffic flow in SoBro and Gulch areas and I-65, homeless shelter (9)

List one question, if any, that the group at your table would like to ask the design team or MDHA about the information presented tonight!

Organization/Orientation/Design (23)

- Expansion (land availability)? (10)
- Impact of substation on Convention Center (wireless access, safety / health issues) (2)
- Road under process, compromise Exhibition Hall floor, load capacities prohibiting “heavy shows” (1)
- Tourism development (1)
- Marshalling/staging motor coaches for Music City Center and CMHF (1)
- Public arts in design process (1)
- Character of 6th Avenue?(2)
- Relocation of properties and businesses, timetable costs? (1)
- What quarter in 2009 will MDHA seek council approval? (1)
- LEED goal? (1)

Access and Connectivity (16)

- Connectivity (Sommet Center to Convention Center, new hotels, and route to 6th Avenue)? (9)
- Roundabout? (5)
- Traffic flow and loading docks for trucks? (2)

Neighborhood and District – proximity (4)

- Homeless shelter? (4)