Charrette Week
Visioning Exercises
January 28th 2019

**Mentimeter** (15 mins)
Realtime voting within the Visioning presentation. There will be a series of icebreaker questions. Please make sure those at your table are able to log on to menti.com, enter the code for the presentation and then vote.

**Exercise 1 – Maintain/Change** (15 mins)
Identify areas on the map that should be maintained and those that should change. The results of this exercise tell us what the community values the most along this stretch of Dickerson Pike and what they’d like to see improved in terms of both function and aesthetics.

**Instructions:**
Briefly identify the boundaries of the corridor and some key landmarks to get people oriented. Put an X at three intersections – Cleveland Street, Douglas Avenue, and Trinity Lane. Indicate that these intersections are likely significant transit stops with any future transit improvements based upon the adopted nMotion Transit Plan. Point out that Trinity Lane is anticipated to have crosstown bus service connecting riders from Gallatin Road to Clarksville Pike. Encourage them to think how development might need to be different around these areas to serve transit that is more frequent.

Ask them to identify areas to maintain the existing character and areas to direct change. Illustrate through a bubble diagram using blue markers for maintain and red markers for change.

“**Maintain**” means to keep the current development pattern and land use of Dickerson Pike or to continue that pattern and form on vacant land.

“**Change**” means to encourage something new beyond what currently exists today.

Use post-it notes for elaboration regarding what should be maintained or changed e.g. type of use, building form, height, community resource etc.

**Materials:**
- Base map
- Blue markers
- Red markers
- Post-it notes

**Exercise 2 – Future Form and Character** (20 mins)
Within the “**Change**” areas only, identify the appropriate land use and building height for each area. The results of this exercise provide more detail on the future form and character desired for each “**Change**” area.

**Instructions:**
Using the marked up map from Exercise 1, take each change area in turn and place building type stickers on the map to indicate the building types and height that are appropriate within each identified “**Change**” area.

Use post-it notes to provide additional detail on, for example, specific height, appropriate setbacks, lot placement and parking location.
Materials:
Base map
Building type stickers
Post-it notes

Exercise 3 – Design Your Corridor (20 mins)
For Dickerson Pike create a visual representation of your ideal street. During this exercise participants will build street sections that show the street they would like Dickerson to be in this area.

- Begin with a cross section holder, add trees or bike paths widen sidewalks or add/take away traffic lanes, and think about how your choices impact your community. This is an exercise in compromise. Completed cross sections will be photographed and put into the street mix online tool.

- **Infrastructure** (sidewalks, streets, transit, stormwater) – participants may want to show wider sidewalks, and on the base map areas for additional cross walks, additional traffic lights, trails, and additional bus stops.

Materials:
Street mix elements – these represent the most common street elements, including travel lanes, bike lanes, sidewalks and planting strips. Each piece is scaled roughly 1 inch = 4 feet.

- **Driving Lanes**: travel lanes. Current street condition is 4 travel lanes with a center turn lane. Participants must use 5 lanes and may wish to keep the center turn lane or use that right of way for a bus lane or bike lanes.

- **Furnishing Zone**: outdoor dining space, sidewalks of various dimensions, planting strip, and street trees in planters. These pieces are adjacent to the paved road.

- **Blank Pieces**: are provided for participants to write in street elements that may be missing.

Cross section holder – scaled to allow a 86’ ROW, participants place the street mix elements in the holder for easy display. 86’ is the width of this stretch of Dickerson Pike called for in the MCSP.

Instructions:
Begin by explaining the constraints of the cross section holder which is limited to the 86’ ROW for all elements, and ﬁve lanes, within which participants may lay out the individual pieces however they wish. Participants should work together. It is ok to be 2’ or so over or under the 86’.

**Step 1** – within the 86’ ROW start in the middle with the travel lanes. The center line is marked.

**Step 2** – within the 86’ ROW work your way out to the edges with the bike lanes and bus lanes.

**Step 3** – within the 86’ ROW determine your planting strip and sidewalks needs.

**Step 4** – the final cross sections will be photographed and put into the Street Mix online tool to be analyzed and presented back to the participants at the Work in Progress presentation.

**Report back** – ensure you have one person who is willing to report back to the room what your table has discussed.
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**Constrained/Updated ROW: 86’**

PLEASE TAKE A PICTURE OF THE CROSS SECTION AND EMAIL TO michael.briggs@nashville.gov
SUBJECT LINE: STREET MIX TABLE #

**Additional Talking Points**

**Transit**
- The **nMotion Transit Plan was adopted** by the MTA Board of Directors in 2016.
- The **Metro Planning Commission incorporated the nMotion Transit Plan** as part of NashvilleNext during the 2017 update.
- **Let’s Move Nashville** Transportation Improvement Program was the public funding mechanism to implement major components of the nMotion Transit Plan. It relied upon several taxes to build out and sustain a comprehensive citywide transit system based upon the nMotion Transit Plan. Although voters decided to not fund the Lets Move Nashville Program in May 2018, the nMotion Transit Plan is still the adopted transit plan for the city, and one mobility component in how decisions are made to guide growth and development. We still foresee a need to improve transit service along the city’s major pikes.
- There are **three significant intersections along Dickerson Road for transit service** based upon the nMotion Transit Plan: Cleveland Street, Douglas Avenue, and Trinity Lane. **Future crosstown service is identified along Trinity Lane.** Crosstown bus service will connect riders from Gallatin Road to Clarksville Pike.
- **MTA is the same agency as WeGo Public Transit.** WeGo is the public-facing brand of the city’s transit service, so riders can easily identify service within the public transit system. WeGo is phasing out the old
MTA logo with new buses, signs, and shelters that incorporate the WeGo brand and purple color scheme.

- Need additional help on transit? Ask Elwyn Gonzalez, Miranda Clements, or Michael Briggs.

Highland Heights Study
- The Highland Heights Study involved a series of meetings in 2018. It was adopted by the Metro Planning Commission in June 2018.
- The area is shown on the base map to ensure that we reflect the adopted study. Encourage participants to focus on the properties that face Dickerson Road and how redevelopment might transition into Highland Heights.
- There will be no changes to the Highland Heights Study. The current Dickerson Corridor Study may add additional policy guidance to properties within a block-area of Dickerson Road.
- Need additional help on the Highland Heights area? Ask Greg Claxton or Lee Jones.

Short-Term Rentals
- Short-term rentals are permitted through the Metro Codes Department.
- Non-owner occupied (or investor owned properties) are only permitted for short term rentals in certain non-residentially zoned areas (for example Residential Multi-Family, Mixed Use, and Commercial districts).
- A developer desires to build retail shops and approximately 30 condos at the corner of Cleveland Street and North 6th Street. This will likely require a mixed-use zoning, which allows for short term rentals. Dara Sanders can answers questions or take concerns about this development.