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City Council of Alexandria, Virginia
Public Hearing Meeting
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Agenda for the City Council and Planning Commission Joint Work Session
on the Beauregard Corridor Small Area Plan—Sept 19, 2011

Comments of Nancy Jennings

My name is Nancy Jennings and I live at 2115 Marlboro Drive. I have reluctantly participated in the process to develop the Beauregard Corridor Small Area Plan since 2009 and was surprised to see on your agenda for the Joint Work Session with the Planning Commission this Monday night—Item IV—an “Overview of Beauregard Corridor Stakeholder Group Process/Recommendations.” While the group is in a process, to say it has recommendations is premature.

- Many are opposed to some of the “recommended language” in the 13-page Sept. 1 DRAFT called “Recommendations for Beauregard Corridor Small Area Plan (SAP).”
- I have yet to review the Working Draft of “Appendix 1: Existing Conditions in the Corridor” that staff sent to us a week ago. It’s 43 pages and incomplete. The transportation section is yet to arrive.

The Stakeholders Group has no recommendations.

- Stakeholders have yet to decide if there should be a bucket list of amenities that the developers should proffer, much less what should be on that list or how to rank the items.
- The only consensus I recall is that there should be a fire house on Beauregard where the Fire Marshal wants it. Some Stakeholders have said that the City should provide this service in conjunction with the Army.
- Rich Baier’s meeting with homeowners on Seminary Road west of Beauregard Street has brought more citizens to the Stakeholders group and, at the meeting last Monday; they wanted to discuss additional issues.

So, come Monday night when you get an update on activities related to the Beauregard Corridor Small Area Plan, bear in mind that the Stakeholders have yet to agree on recommendations.

Thank you.