Dickerson North Corridor Study



Metro Nashville Planning Department

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Two Phase Planning Effort

- Divided Dickerson Pike into two phases
- Phase One was Dickerson South Corridor Plan
- Spring Street to Pages Branch
- Adopted by the Planning Commission in June 2019

STUDY AREA BOUNDARY







PROJECT TIMELINE



Steering Committee

(neighborhood representatives, businesses, institutions, and property owners)

Kelsey Oesmann Ramona Gholston Seth Crawford George Acklin Brian Vance Jarratt Bell Julie Stadler

Larry Garris Joshua Haston Sheila Dorse Connie Hughes Scott & Jessica Revey Raquel & Moises Rodriguez



Vision Concept Map with Common Themes



JANUARY KICKOFF MEETING



Quality Transit System Affordable Housing Options Small Business Community Higher Density Urban Streets Family-Friendly Destination Park Safer Streets with Sidewalks Community Center Access to Healthy Foods

Access to Healthy Foods Greenways along Creeks More Diverse Retail Options New Mobility Options for Dickerson

BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE SURVEY



272 people took part in the survey



Survey took an average of less than **10** minutes to complete



82% or respondents completed the entire survey



284 unique viewers watched the Kickoff Summary Video



The Dickerson North Study page has received **1,052** views since January 2020

PUBLIC DRAFT REVIEW 8/17-9/7

Virtual:

Short YouTube videos, virtual meetings, virtual open house, brief survey

Hard copy:

Notices, flyers, paper copies of draft available

Planning Commission:

Tentatively 9/24

400+ total participants

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Draft Plan is now available to view, and we want your input!

Metro Planning is hosting several virtual events to answer questions and gather comments on the draft plan. These events include virtual meetings to provide an overview of the plan, a virtual drop-in open house, short videos on specific topics including mobility, land use, and beautification, and an online survey.

The schedule of events is below, and information for accessing the draft documents and virtual meetings is online at http://dickersonnorthstudy.nashville.gov/

Paper copies are available, please contact Anna Grider.

Virtual Public Meetings

Staff will provide an overview of the draft plan. Q&A will be available. Pick one time:

hur	sday	, 8/20
:30	- 7:3	0 pm

Tuesday, 8/25 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Virtual Open House Drop-in to speak with planning staff anytime during the hours listed:

Tuesday, 9/1 10:00 am - 4:00pm

Planning Commission Public hearing for the adoption of the Plan.

Thursday, 9/24 4:00 pm



For more info: visit http://dickersonnorthstudy.nashville.gov/ or contact Anna Grider, 615-862-7199 anna.grider@nashville.gov

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METRO NASHVILLE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

A Small Area Plan Amendment to the East Nashville & Parkwood Union Hill Community Plans of NashvilleNext

MPC Draft September 24, 2020



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- A Community Assessment
- B Community Engagement Reports Kickoff Summary Report Buildings & Infrastructure Survey Draft Plan Review Report Steering Committee Report

What is a Small Area Plan? The Dickerson North Corridor Study is a small area plan produced by the Metropolitan (Metro) Planning Department. Small area plans illustrate the vision for corridors and neighborhoods within Nashville's 14 community planning areas. On a parcel-by-parcel basis, these plans steer the appropriate land use, development character, and design intent guided by goals established by community stakeholders. Like other forms of small area plans, corridor studies are developed through a participatory process that involves Planning Department staff working with stakeholders to establish a clear vision and provide detailed information and solutions to guide the future physical and regulatory characteristics for particular corridors of the city.

Small area plans are commonly used by the community, staff, the Planning Commission, and Metro Council members as a starting point for discussing public and private investment in a designated area, including proposed zone changes, subdivisions, and public infrastructure investments. Once adopted, the small area plan serves as the primary guide for the corridors and neighborhood's future development.

The plan product most important to neighbors and business owners interested in redevelopment is the character area guidance that serves as a supplemental policy within the overall community plan for the area. Tailored to meet the needs of each individual area studied, the character areas provide detailed guidance on the vision for zoning and design.

Design scenarios are included to illustrate how development consistent with the supplemental policy might occur. This helps the surrounding neighborhoods consider how the land uses could be distributed along the corridor and what development could look like.

For the most current information on the Community Character Manual and the Community Plans:

https://www.nashville.gov/Planning-Department/ Long-Range-Planning/Community-Character-Manual.aspx

CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

- Policy framework
- Conceptual street network
- Major transit nodes
- Pages Branch to Ewing Creek Greenway system



4-PART PLAN



Character Areas & Scenarios



Mobility Plan



Housing Affordability



Beautification

CHARACTER AREAS & DESIGN SCENARIOS

Divide 3 mi. corridor into manageable pieces:

Skyline (North) Ewing/Broadmoor (Center) Pages Branch (South)

Describe a vision for future land mix & infrastructure based upon:

Engagement & feedback Iterative, place-based design Phasing & implementation



SKYLINE DESIGN SCENARIO



design through engagement

- Enhance walkability & prioritize human scale \checkmark
- Preserve steep slopes & views \checkmark
- Emphasize green space &/or recreational amenity \checkmark
- Incorporate family-oriented attractions & daily needs such as \checkmark fresh food & pharmacy

concept design for a transit oriented regional center



A more pedestrian friendly scale will encourage active daily use.

A flexible green space Per nMotion, a regional transit center planned near the intersection downtown and provide a of Dickerson and Briley space for family friendly will serve as an integral programming. connection point for commuters.

will offer views of

Mixed-use retail and office space will support the neighborhood and transit hub with daily necessities, such as groceries and pharmacies.

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Design Scenario Example Phasing

Phase 1:0-10 years

Mixed use retail lines the top of the hill in front of existing big box stores, creating a framework for future pedestrian scale development.



Phase 2: 11-20 years

The Regional Transit Center incentivizes multimodal circulation as well as mixed-use retail and office space centered on daily needs and activity.

Phase 3: 20+ years

As regional transit becomes more standard, surface parking is replaced by finer grain suburban form.





Skyline Design Scenario Breakdown

Plan Integration







existing PUD

nMotion: BRT hub

The current PUD for the Skyline site proposes an outdated big-box suburban form that would exacerbate rather than improve issues of scale and circulation. However the approved entitlements could be rearranged spatially on the site to support the intentions of this design t scenario and contribute to an improved t experience.

nMotion projects that as Nashville's population increases and development continues to expand along the Dickerson Corridor a regional BRT hub will be needed near the intersection of Dickerson Pike, Briley Parkway, and I-65 to serve daily commuters and relieve traffic congestion.

As suburban and rural form of Dickerson North transitions to a more dense, urban environment, park land will need to be obtained in order to meet Plan to Play's level of service goals. The Skyline Park site is ideal because of its views and topography that would be prohibitive to development.

Plan to Play: Skyline Park

transit hub precedents



North Nashville Transit Hub

In the spring of 2020, weGo Public Transit applied for a Federal BUILD grant to construct a transit hub for historic North Nashville, near Fisk University and TSU. When completed, this project could serve as a precedent for the regional transit facility envisioned for Skyline in this design

MOBILITY FRAMEWORK

- Multimodal Connections & Enhancements
- Transit Improvements
- Traffic Control & Access Management
- Greenways



REQUEST: ADOPT DICKERSON NORTH CORRIDOR STUDY

Dickerson North is one of Nashville's major pikes with its own unique character shaped by history. The corridor is shared by neighborhoods that are home to a wide diversity of people, incomes, and housing.

The Dickerson North community welcomes growth and development primarily along Dickerson Pike and will strive to keep the diversity and character that knits us together.

Dickerson North and the surrounding neighborhoods will develop in a manner that prioritizes safety along public streets and spaces, is a welcoming place for people using different means of transportation, enhances our regional assets, and establishes thriving neighborhood centers and local services along the corridor, to serve existing and new residents.



REQUEST: AMEND COMMUNITY CHARACTER POLICY





REQUEST: ADOPT SUPPLEMENTAL POLICY



REQUEST: AMEND MAJOR & COLLECTOR STREET PLAN

Pages Branch & Ewing Creek Greenway guidance

Bike connectivity guidance east and west of Dickerson Pike

Include with WalknBike Plan update



IMPLEMENTATION SHORT TERM 0-5 YEARS

- Regular corridor and creek cleanups, and code violation reporting
- Formation of a Business Improvement District (BID)
- Undertake tactical urbanism project(s)
- Strategic Capital Projects
 - Apply for a speed limit reduction to 35mph for Dickerson Pike
 - Carry out a study of pedestrian & beautification improvements at Ewing-Broadmoor for incorporation into the CIB
 - Perform a study of potential sites and funding sources for the transit center at Skyline in coordination with the property owner

IMPLEMENTATION LONG-TERM 5+ YEARS

- Implementation of adopted Overlays Corridor Design Overlay (CDO), Urban Zoning Overlay (UZO), Transit Oriented Redevelopment District (TORD)
- Ensure priority infrastructure needs are in the Capital Improvements Budget
- Strategic Capital Projects:
 - Realignment of intersections
 - Construction of transit center at Skyline
 - Greenway construction
 - Daylighting of Ewing Creek

How small area plans are evolving

- Implementation
- New public engagement strategies
- Phasing of design scenarios
- Policy and affordability