

SEVEN CORNERS AREA VISIONING WORKSHOP II

Wednesday, July 11, 2012

Willston Multicultural Center – Outreach Meeting

Additional Comments/Concerns

- Pedestrian bridge is not clean; safety concerns; gang signs are showing up (youth primarily) marking territory; maybe Culmore area influence; only one light that works on the bridge, others are out; a lot of trash and issues on stairs
- New, young gangs are tagging in the area; rivals try to tag same areas
- No pedestrian light or crosswalks at some intersections (Willston Dr. @ John Marshall) and (Patrick Henry @ Arlington Boulevard – CVS to Safeway crossing)
- Also need crosswalks at Wilson Boulevard (BJs area)
- Many issues with restaurants along Wilson Dr.; drinking, loitering in the area makes it feel unsafe to walk along street; need more weekday patrols from police to address issue (not just weekend)
- Need to get people to take more pride in community; a lot of people just throw trash down. Maybe need more signs that say no litter and enforce it. Adopt-a-Community or something could also be good to address trash issue.
- In general, need better pedestrian crossings, including markings on both sides of intersection; does not make sense that you have to cross twice just to get signal or crossway (Patrick Henry?)
- Concerned about redevelopment of apartment in Willston; rumor that developer was going to kick everyone out
- Concerned about the future of Willston; want to know that they will be involved or notified; the facility and resources are very important to the community
- Wanted to know about the status of the Human Services Center; when will it move and where to; needed information on bus routes to get to new Annandale building
- Bus and transit to Sleepy Hollow Elementary needs to be improved