City Plan Commission Briefing October 16, 2012

Online Survey and Questionnaire
Focus Group Workshop
Individual and Small Group Interviews
Community Workshop

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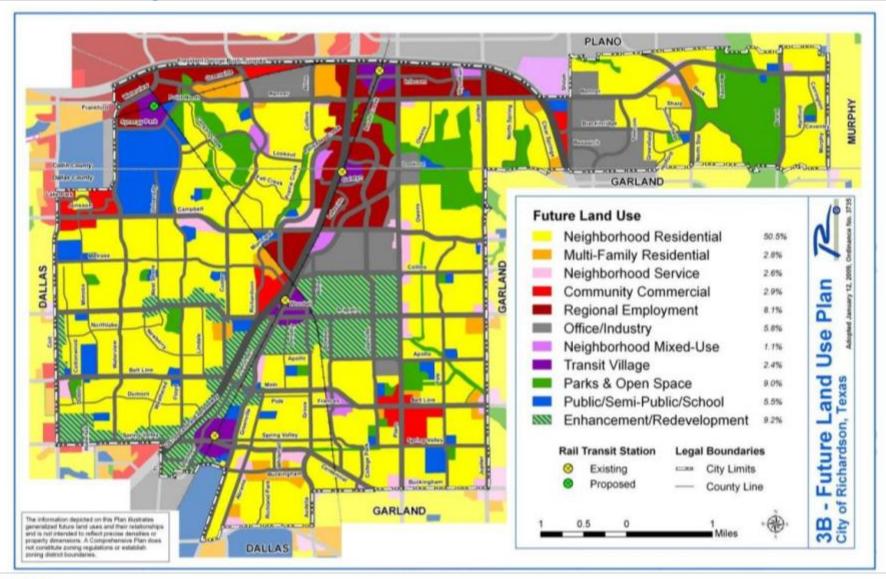


Presentation Outline

- Background Information
- Online Survey and Questionnaire
- Focus Group Workshop
- Individual / Small Group Interviews
- Community Meeting
- Next Steps



2009 Comprehensive Plan



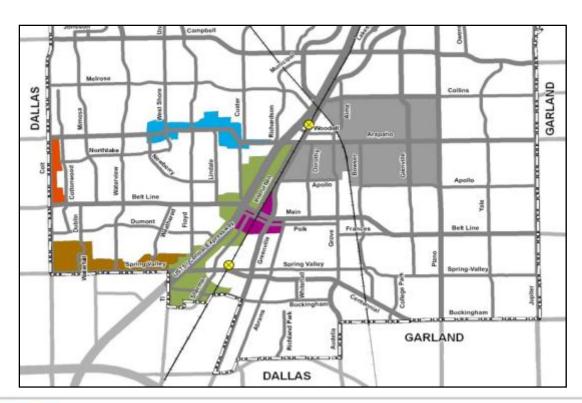


2009 Comprehensive Plan

Six Enhancement / Redevelopment Areas for further study

- West Spring Valley (complete)
- East Arapaho/Collins (underway)
- Old Town/Main Street (underway) West Arapaho
- Central (underway)

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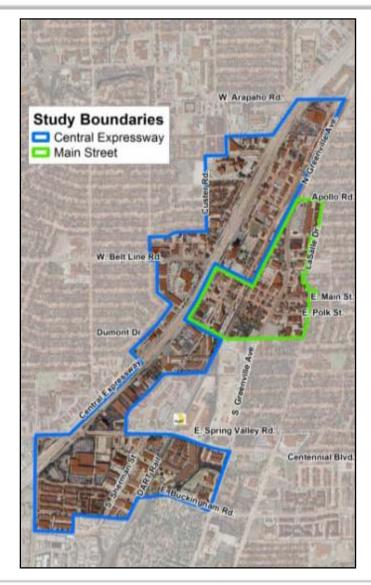
Reflect the challenges of a first-tier suburb aging development and infrastructure; underperforming properties; evolving demographics

Reinvestment,
redevelopment
encouraged after
further, detailed study
to determine
redevelopment potential



Study Area Boundaries

- Main Street and Central Expressway (415 acres) have been combined into a single study
 - Overlapping issues and stakeholders
 - Better efficiencies
- Separate standards can be created for the two distinct sub-areas, if appropriate



Study Approach

- Develop a plan for the future of the Main Street/Central Expressway
 Corridor
 - Determine market viability for redevelopment
 - Engage stakeholders
 - Develop a vision based on community goals and market realities
 - Create an implementation strategy
 - Amend zoning and other standards to support redevelopment, if appropriate, as a later phase
 - Determine if opportunities exist for public/private partnerships
- Plan now—not after property begins to redevelop—for best results

Online Survey and Questionnaire July 23 - August 30, 2012

Online Survey and Questionnaire

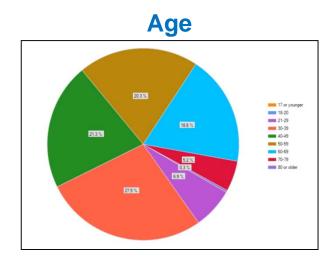
- Survey Mostly multiple choice questions on the degree of importance of specific concepts; a few open-ended questions
 - 312 respondents
- Questionnaire Mostly open-ended questions (except demographics)
 - 98 respondents

Online Survey #1 - Demographics

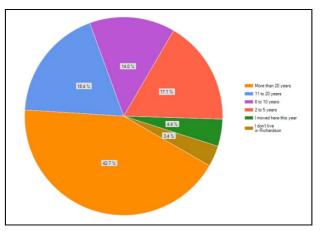
- **61.6% female**, 38.4% male
- Approximately 27.5% in the 30-39 year age category, with about 20% in each of three other age categories (half 49 years of age or younger)
 - **4**0-49

• 60-69

- **50-59**
- 40%+ have lived in Richardson more than 20 years, with +/-15% in each of the 2-5 years, 6-10 years, and 11-20 years categories
- Nearly 70% live in Richardson outside the study area
- 45% were interested in neighborhood quality of life issues and +/-15% in business and the economy or development and construction



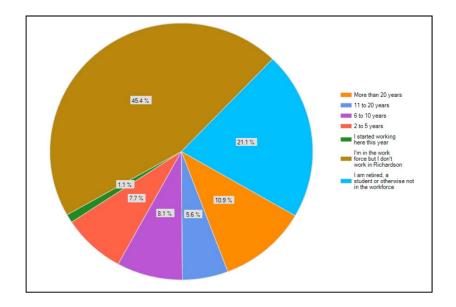
Years Lived in Richardson



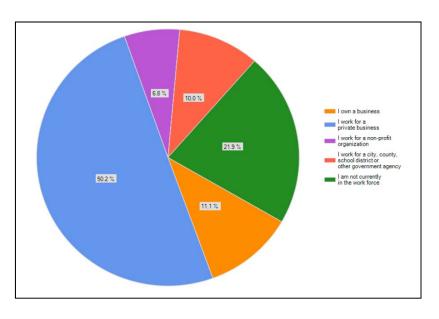
Online Survey #1 - Demographics

- 45% work outside of Richardson while about 20% are retired, students or not in the work force
- 50% work in a private business and 20% are not in the work force

Years Worked in Richardson



Current Work Situation



Online Survey #1

Comments and suggestions for the Corridor

- Attract small/local businesses and restaurants rather than chains/big box retail
- Create an Austin vibe
- Limit/Eliminate hookah bars
- Improve off-street parking
- Better signage
- Better traffic flow
- Mix of uses
- Multicultural is good v. Too multicultural
- Pattern after downtown Plano,
 McKinney v. Don't imitate other suburbs



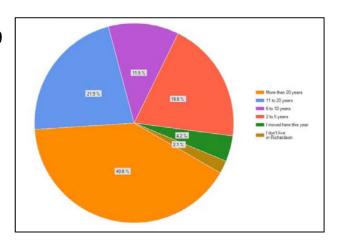


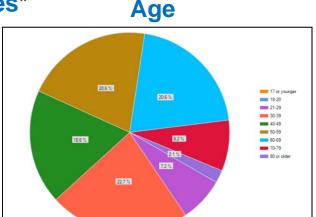
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- Approximately 20% in each of four age categories*
 - 30-49 years
- 50-59 years
- 40-49 years 60-69 years
- 40% had lived in Richardson more than 20 years; 20% each in the 11-20 years and 2-5 years categories
- Nearly 75% own and live in a single-family detached home

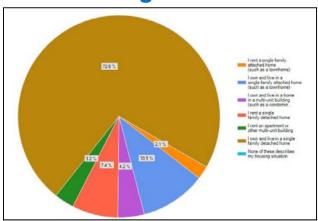
*other categories were Under 17, 18-20, 21-29

> **Years Lived in** Richardson





Housing Situation



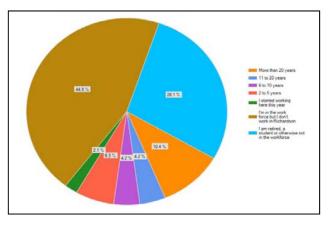


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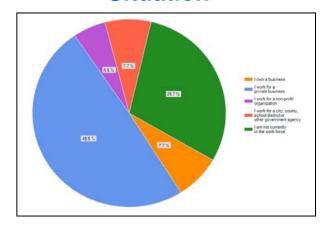
- 45% have worked in Richardson for more than 20 years; nearly 30% are students, retired or not in the work force
- About 50% work for a private business and about 30% are not in the work force
- About 20% work in Richardson, about 25% work within 30 minutes of Richardson*, about 30% are not in the work force

*other choices were within 5 minutes, 10 minutes and 15 minutes of Richardson

Years Worked in Richardson



Current Work Situation



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- Short statement describing image of the Corridor today
- Short statement describing desirable image of the Corridor in 2020
- One or two positive, impactful changes in the next few years
- Features that make Main Street unique, distinctively Richardson
- Image of gateway to Richardson from Central Expressway
- Demographic questions (not open-ended)

Image of today

- Run-down, tired, forgotten, uninviting, irrelevant
- Unfriendly to pedestrians or cyclists
- Too many hookah bars (not everyone agreed)
- Full of promise and potential

Image in 2020

- Updated, vibrant, active, eclectic, funky, cool
- Pedestrian-friendly (wider sidewalks, more landscaping, better lighting, appropriate signage)
- Landscaping, green space, trails, parks, gathering places
- Safe, clean, well-maintained, sustainable
- Parking to support business
- More, better, varied retail and restaurants (coffee/tea shops, cafes, galleries, gift shops)

Image in 2020

- Family-friendly v. Cater to singles
- Sleek, sophisticated like Campbell/Central v. More like downtown Plano
 v. Mid-century modern ('50's era)
- More urban v. Preserve historic character
- International flavor is an asset v. Too much international flavor

Positive changes in the next few years

- New businesses
- More attention to aesthetics/environment
- Clean the area up, increase curb appeal
- Leverage impact of the Alamo Drafthouse



Main Street uniqueness

- Nothing unique or distinctive
- Old downtown, small town feel
- Old or historic buildings/architecture
- Cultural diversity



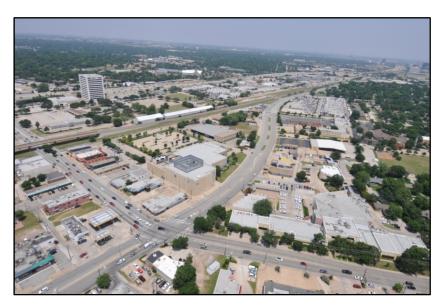
Gateway image from Central Expressway

Today

- Dated, distressed, run-down, unkempt
- Unwelcoming
- Best days are behind
- Pass-through on the way to somewhere else

Future

- Funky, fun
- Unified but still diverse (look, feel, businesses, residential choices)



Online Survey #1 and Questionnaire #1

Comments throughout both survey instruments

- Create a destination, a place and a reason to stop
- Need better pedestrian and bicycle linkages between east and west Richardson
- Possible location for arts/entertainment venues, museum
- Bring back the farmers market
- Create more open space, gathering areas including (possibly) a dog park
- More parking
- Better utilize DART
- Require design consistency with opportunities for uniqueness
- Multiple references to Austin, Bishop Arts District (all favorable)
- Multiple references to downtown Plano and McKinney (both favorable and unfavorable)

Focus Group Workshop September 15, 2012

Focus Group Workshop Overview

- Meeting of representatives of numerous stakeholder groups, strategically chosen to represent differing interests, in a focus group setting
- Discussed several corridor-wide and site specific issues, and developed preliminary concepts/ideas for the future vision for the Main Street/Central Expressway study area
- Held in preparation for the Community Workshop





Focus Group Workshop Overview

- Approximately 30 participants divided among six tables, each with two facilitators
- Staff, DART, Chamber of Commerce available as resources
- Began with a review of background information for context
 - Property Highlights
 - Development Highlights
 - Market Highlights



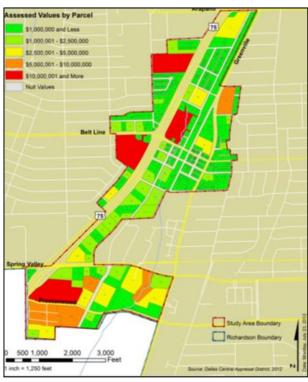




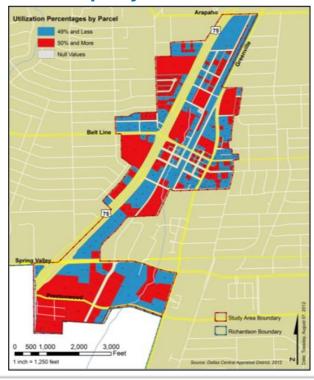
Property Highlights

Provide an overview of key property indicators related to financial influences on specific properties in the study area – What properties have the best potential to accommodate new development in the future?

Assessed Value



Property Utilization



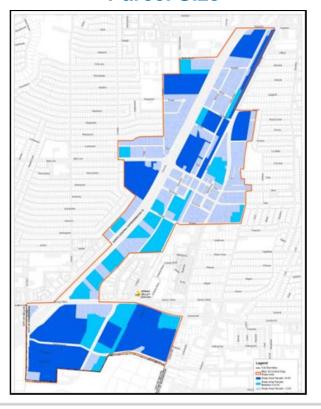
Development Highlights

Provide an overview of existing types and patterns of development and infrastructure in the study area – What is here today?

Lot Coverage



Parcel Size



Market Highlights – Trade Area

- Provide an overview of real estate market indicators that will influence what **potential future development** may occur in the study area - Who will likely want to locate here in the future?
- A Trade Area is intended to represent that area from which uses will capture a share of market demand
- Factors that influence the shape of a trade area include: physical and psychological barriers; presence of activity generators travel patterns and rights-ofway; competition; and others.

Main/Central Trade Area Boundary





Market Highlights - Demographic Overview

- Both the Main/Central
 Trade Area and the City
 are largely built-out and
 therefore are projected
 to grow at less than 1/2
 the rate of the DFW
 Metroplex overall
- Most of the Trade Area indicators are similar to those of the City's, with the exception of a higher degree of renteroccupied households
- Both the Trade Area and the City skew considerably older than the Metroplex age profile

Data for 2010 unless noted	Main/Central Trade Area	City of Richardson	DFW Metroplex
2000 Population	485,642	91,802	5,197,317
2012 Households	189,300	39,200	2,475,000
Annual Household Growth (2012-2022)	0.9%	0.8%	1.8%
Average Household Size	2.51	2.54	2.73
Percent Non-Family Households	38%	34%	31%
Percent Renters	49%	38%	38%
Percent Age 65+	12%	13%	9%
Percent Age 0 - 19	26%	26%	30%
Median Age	36.2	36.8	33.8

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; North Central Texas Council of Governments; Claritas, Inc.; & Ricker Cunningham.

Market Highlights - Demographic Overview

- Both the Trade Area and City have a higher degree of college-educated residents, as compared to the Metroplex overall
- Incomes in the Trade Area are lower than for the City, but comparable to those for the Metroplex
- The ethnic profile of the Trade Area parallels that of the Metroplex, which indicates a higher degree of ethnicity than for the City

Data for 2010 unless noted	Main/Central Trade Area	City of Richardson	DFW Metroplex
Percent w 4-yr College Degree	50%	50%	29%
Percent Self-Employed (16+)	6%	7%	6%
Median Household Income	\$53,900	\$64,800	\$53,600
Per Capita Income	\$31,400	\$31,800	\$26,800
Percent with Income <\$25K	19%	17%	21%
Percent with Income \$100K+	23%	29%	23%
Percent Hispanic (of any race)	28%	16%	27%
Percent African-American	14%	9%	14%
Percent Asian	9%	15%	5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; North Central Texas Council of Governments; Claritas, Inc.; & Ricker Cunningham.

Market Highlights - Lifestyle Segments (Psychographics)

- Psychographics is a term used to describe the characteristics of people and neighborhoods which, instead of being purely demographic, speak more to attitudes, interests, opinions and lifestyles. PRIZM (Claritas, Inc.) is a leading system for characterizing neighborhoods and the local workforce into one of 65 distinct market segments.
- Commercial retail developers are interested in understanding a community's psychographic profile, as this is an indication of its resident's propensity to spend across select retail categories. Residential developers are also interested in understanding this profile as it tends to suggest preferences for certain housing product types.
- The Main/Central Trade Area is dominated by more affluent psychographic segments, several of which suggest lifestyle preferences that favor an infill urban living environment.

Top Trade Area PRIZM Segments

	Area	% of Total	U.S.
Social Group	Households	Households	Index=100
Urban Achievers	17,035	13.6%	623.7
American Dreams	9,910	7.9%	249.2
Big City Blues	9,346	7.5%	464.0
Money and Brains	8,537	6.8%	231.5
Multi/Cuti Mosaic	6,039	4.8%	195.2
Urban	50,867	40.7%	

	Area	% of Total	U.S.
Social Group	Households	Households	Index=100
Brite Lites, Li'l City	6,756	5.4%	232.8
Up-and-Comers	4,890	3.9%	209.6
Second City Elite	3,788	3.0%	164.8
Middleburg Managers	3,328	2.7%	92.5
Upward Bound	3,205	2.6%	104.6
Second Cities	21,967	17.6%	-

	Area	% of Total	U.S.
Social Group	Households	Households	Index=100
Executive Suites	9,653	7.7%	556.8
Movers and Shakers	7,839	6.3%	250.0
New Beginnings	7,274	5.8%	255.2
Pools and Patios	6,104	4.9%	240.5
Upper Crust	6,068	4.9%	207.6
Suburbs	36,938	29.6%	
Total Top Segments	109,772	87.9%	
Total Trade Area	189,300	100.0%	-

Source: Ricker Cunningham.



Preliminary Market Observations

- Like many revitalization/redevelopment areas, the Study Area indicates a mix of investment profiles, from small, established businesses to larger, mixed- and multi-use developments
- The strong presence of "local" property ownership provides a solid foundation from which to build support for revitalization
- The relatively low level of property utilization indicates significant opportunities for reinvestment and/or new investment
- Overall, the Study Area is at a desirable point for revitalization, with a mix of steady values but with "creeping" property underutilization

Light Industrial





Commercial







Shopfront





Mixed-Use





Live - Work





Mixed Residential





Residential - Townhome





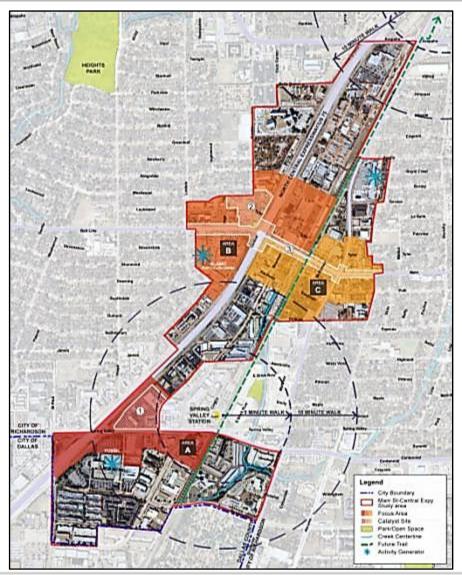
Residential - Cottage





Focus Group Workshop Overview

- After the review of background information, presented the concepts of Framework Plan, Focus Area, Catalyst Site
- The Framework Plan establishes key Focus Areas and Catalyst Sites within the overall study area
- A Focus Area is one that has existing synergies and an ability to develop as a sub-district with a mix of supporting uses and an overall development character
- Catalyst Sites are individual parcels or groups of parcels that have underlying real estate indicators reflecting potential to be early catalysts in the development process





Focus Group Workshop Overview

Morning activity

Discussion:

- Urban Design
- Mobility
- Activity and Uses
- Residential Choices
- People Places
- Identity

Afternoon activity

Hands-on tabletop exercise (two tables per Focus Area):

- Area A
- Area B
- Area C





Focus Group Workshop Overview



During lunch and at the end of the day, representatives from the table groups presented their work to the rest of the participants



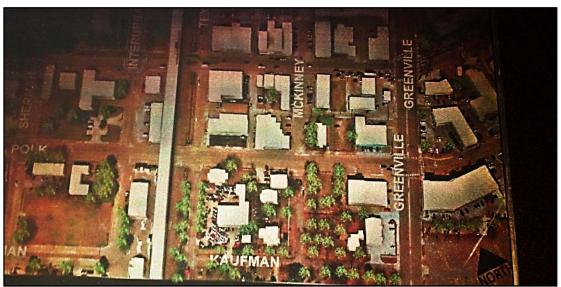




Hologram

Displayed hologram of a section of Main Street (existing conditions)







Individual / Small Group Interviews September 18 and 19, 2012

Individual/Small Group Interviews – September 18 and 19

- Homeowners Associations
 - Richardson Heights
 Rustic Circle
 - Heights Park

- Old Town
- Highland Terrace
- Financial Institutions
- Developers
- Representatives of Key Properties
- Business Owners
- Chamber of Commerce
- City Plan Commission



Individual / Small Group Interview Questions

- Within the next 5 to 10 years, what vision elements would you like to see in the Main Street/Central Expressway Study Area?
- What are the limiting conditions or barriers that will keep these vision elements from being realized?
- What do you think are some opportunities or assets that the Study Area could take advantage of?
- What has to happen for future efforts to succeed?
- Discussion

Vision Elements for the Next 5 to 10 Years

- Pedestrian-friendly, walkable, mixed use
- Retail, restaurants, entertainment primary uses with residential to support new uses
- Mix of old and new buildings not a "fabricated" downtown
- Central gathering place for community
- Green space, both active and passive
- Multicultural, international appeal; ethnic focus, but not too concentrated in one place
- Higher density uses along US 75
- Good physical connections east to west (pedestrian and vehicular)
- Better gateway(s) and an aesthetic facelift streetscape, landscaping, building facades, public spaces
- Better utilization of DART access
- Family-oriented vs. Young adult-oriented?

Limiting Conditions / Barriers to Investment

- Image created by run-down buildings, property
- Underutilized buildings, properties in key locations
- Too many marginal businesses
- Lower rent environment dampening property values
- Number, size of parcels
- Aging infrastructure
- Lack of a cohesive vision for the area
- Lack of funding for improvements/revitalization
- Community mindset towards density
- Neighborhood resistance to change

- Prime **location** (access to US 75, I-635, PGBT)
- **Access** to major employers (Fossil, TI)
- Good visibility
- **DART stations** nearby
- **Central Trail**
- **Business-friendly** city
- Good, stable **neighborhoods**
- **UTD**
- Vacant buildings, underutilized properties ready for redevelopment
- Old historic houses, buildings to preserve
- **DFW Chinatown** (cultural/tourist destination)
- Creek as an asset





Keys to Success

- Perception that the economy is more stable
- Creative financing/funding ideas
- Consortium of local finance or lending entities
- Balance and integration of land uses
- More destination-oriented activities
- Increased residential to support retail/entertainment
- HOA and private sector buy-in and support

Community Workshop September 19, 2012

Community Workshop

The purpose of the Community Workshop was to continue the discussion started at the Focus Group Workshop, to debate the preliminary ideas, and to develop additional ideas related to the future vision for the study area

DISCUSSION / QUESTIONS:

Group . 09.19.12

Don't limit development w zoning that restricts to much (2 story zoning.)

· Challenge concept of "keeping old Town"

· Need to attract people from outside & provide options to bring people in ... Want to see Something dufferent

. How can we utilize creek/water in ## Downtown

. What will get people out of their cars in Dountonn ?

· Imminative solution for crossing under 75 is heeded

• Trolley/shuttle along Belt Line / Main St • can me have a centralized parking garage?

not entirely "historic". (location, yes

a challenge ... v Hal component to

ve a "cwic archor"

FOCUS AREA A

CORNER OF SPRING VALLEY & CENTRAL IS PRIME REAL ESTATE, GOOD FOR HIGH RISE OFFICE, CULTURAL CENTER CANNOT BE SUPPORTED HERE

BRING BRICK ROW TYPE HOUSING TOWARD THE

TUNNEL IS A DIFFICULT BARRIES-BUSH PEOPLE DO NOT WANT TO BUY THE BUSINESSES

BRING RESTAURANTS ALONG N. SIDE OF SITE E. OF CENTRAL

LIKE SUPERMARKET IDEA

NEED SHOPS & PLACES TO RUN EPRANDS

MAYBE BRING IN MIXED USE

DO NOT SEE A MUSEUM IN THIS AREA UNLESS IT IS VERY UNIQUE SOMETHING PEOPLE ALL OVER DEW WILL VISIT

Community Workshop

- Approximately 70 interested persons attended
- Agenda
 - Study Overview
 - **Background Information**
 - Focus Group Workshop Overview (Focus Group Workshop participants took part in the presentation)
 - **General Discussion**
 - **Next Steps**
 - **Stations**





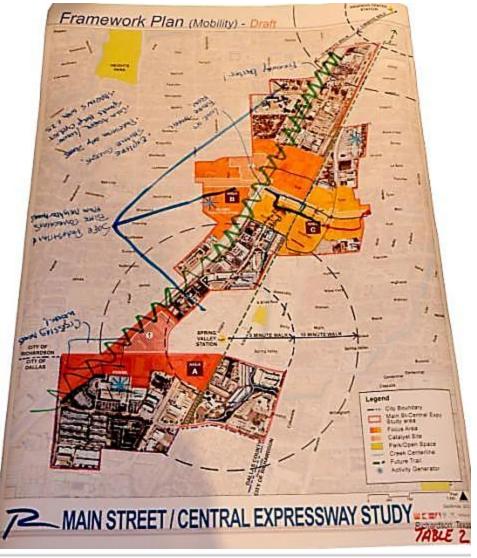
Focus Group Workshop Concepts – Urban Design

- **Green infrastructure** is a critical component for the corridor's future (green buildings, streetscape, greening of the corridor, etc.)
- Some consistent design elements corridor-wide (like signage) will help identify this area and Richardson
- Consistent design elements (lighting, street furniture, plantings, signage, architectural standards, etc.) should be used to strengthen the distinctive character of particular areas within this corridor (like downtown)



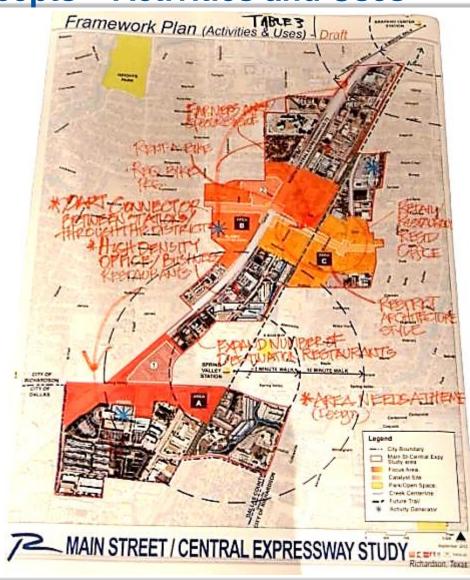
Focus Group Workshop Concepts – Mobility

- US 75 is a physical and visual barrier within this area
- Connectivity for non-auto travel is needed (DART riders, pedestrians, bicyclists)
- Consider potential for a oneway couplet Downtown (Main & Sherman/Polk)



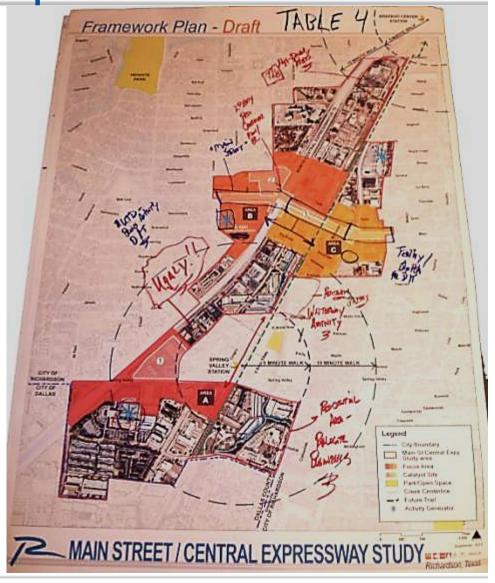
Focus Group Workshop Concepts – Activities and Uses

- Create more destinations in the corridor so more people have reasons to come here
- Use outdoor areas and other gathering places for events and attractions (central park, gazebo, etc.)
- Consider an arts district geared towards the "creative class" to support Main Street and DART stations



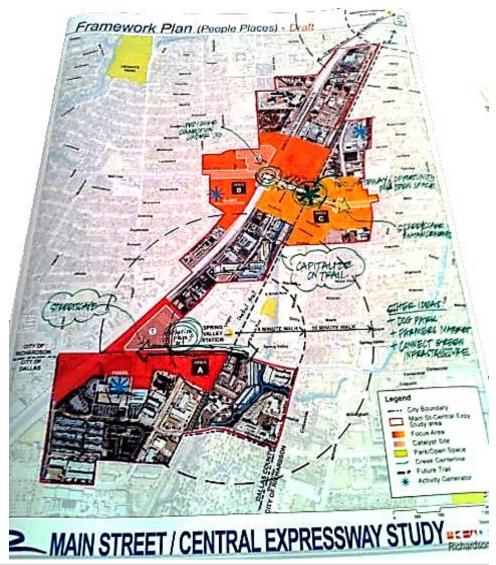
Focus Group Workshop Concepts – Residential Choices

- Promote a variety of high quality and high value residential products at appropriate locations within the corridor
- Locate residential uses near DART stations
- Some older commercial areas could be redeveloped with higher density residential uses



Focus Group Workshop Concepts – People Places

- Capitalize on the trail
 enhancements and support activity
 Downtown by creating a public
 space near Main Street and
 adjacent to Central Trail
- Enhance pedestrian/bicycle connections to Central Trail with upgraded streetscape along Main Street
- Improve pedestrian/bicycle connection under 75 to link both sides with upgraded, cohesive streetscape design
- A variety of open spaces are important throughout the corridor (type and scale of open space will depend on the specific location)



Focus Group Workshop Concepts – Identity

- Some new design elements
 (such as signage or lighting)
 could be consistent corridor-wide
- For some areas within the corridor (such as Downtown), future investments could build on or enhance the area's existing character
- Office parks are still appropriate along Central Expressway



Focus Group Workshop Concepts – Area A

(Includes Catalyst Site 1)

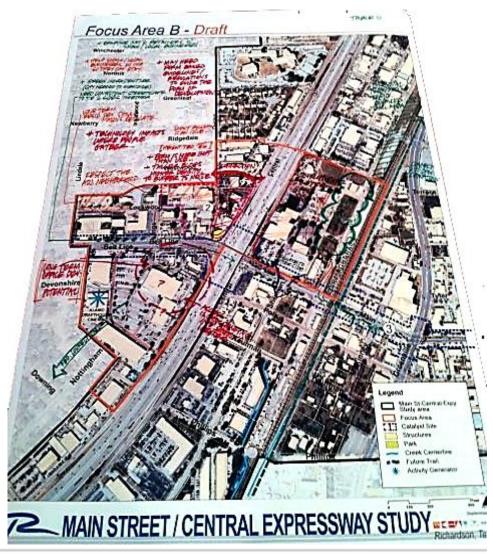
- Potential for iconic building at Spring Valley and Central as a city gateway element
- Opportunity for music/art/museum venue
- More residential close to the DART station



Focus Group Workshop Concepts – Area B

(Includes Catalyst Sites 2 & 3)

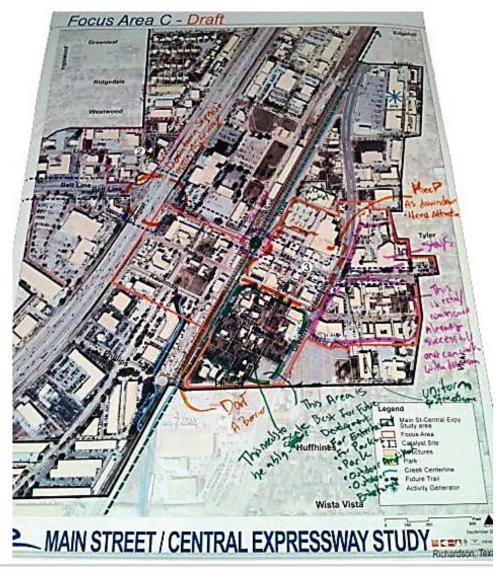
- East of Central: development and open spaces should take advantage of the Central Trail, DART and Downtown
- West of Central: infill underutilized areas at and near the Richardson Heights Shopping Center
- Tie areas on both sides of Central together with cohesive streetscape design (along Belt Line/Main Street)



Focus Group Workshop Concepts – Area C

(Includes Catalyst Site 3)

- Build upon the "historic" character of the area
- Area needs to be more inviting for pedestrians – wider sidewalks, lighting, landscape etc.
- Gateway and signage at Central



General Discussion

- Connections/Linkages needed between east and west Richardson at Central Expressway
- Need more, better, higher-quality retail offerings
- Preserve historic character of Main Street or "Reimagine" Downtown?
- Parking Downtown is a problem
- Don't overlook Greenville Avenue as an opportunity
- Richardson Heights Shopping Center needs outdoor dining, cool shopping
- Preference for townhomes, live-work units in walkable neighborhoods

Keypad polling

Provides anonymous feedback from all individuals participating in the session

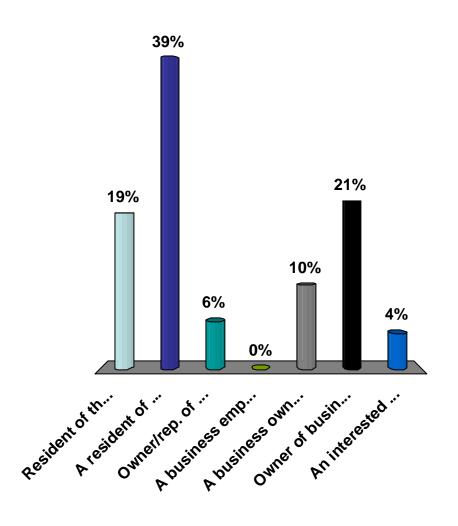
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- Shows results immediately
- Allows more detailed analysis after the session





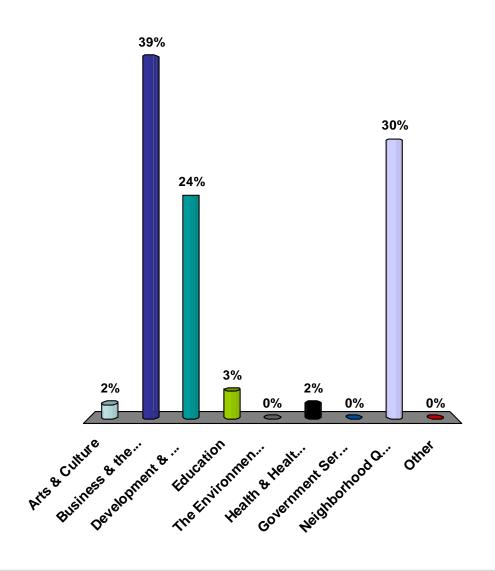
I am most involved in the Main Street/Central Corridor as:

- Resident of the corridor
- 2. <u>A resident of Richardson</u> outside the corridor
- 3. Owner/rep. of a multi-family or commercial property (not business owner)
- 4. A business employee
- 5. A business owner or tenant (not property owner)
- 6. Owner of business & property
- 7. An interested person not described above



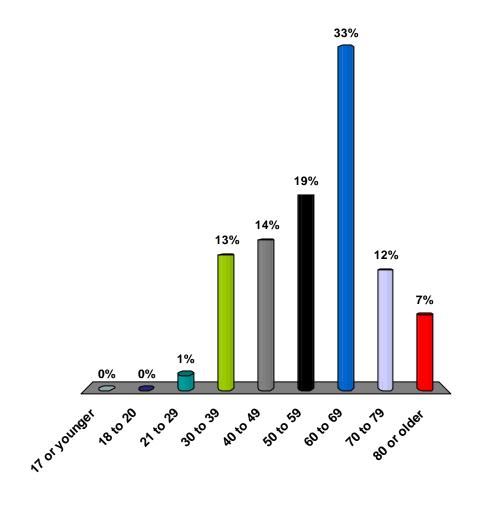
I am most interested in issues related to:

- 1. Arts & Culture
- 2. <u>Business & the Economy</u>
- 3. <u>Development & Construction</u>
- 4. Education
- 5. The Environment
- 6. Health & Healthy Communities
- 7. Government Services
- 8. Neighborhood Quality of Life
- 9. Other



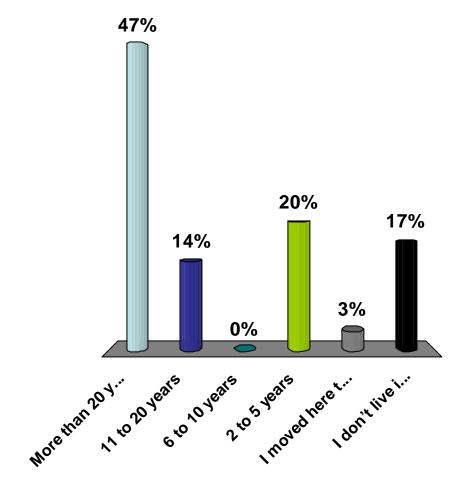
My age group is:

- 17 or younger
- 18 to 20
- 3. 21 to 29
- 4. 30 to 39
- 5. 40 to 49
- 6. 50 to 59
- 7. 60 to 69
- 8. 70 to 79
- 80 or older



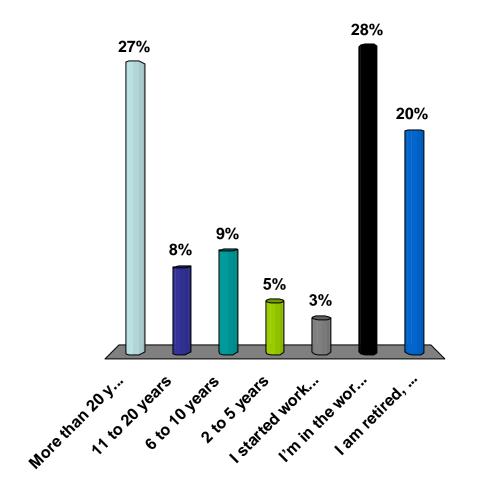
I have lived in Richardson for:

- More than 20 years
- 2. 11 to 20 years
- 3. 6 to 10 years
- 4. 2 to 5 years
- 5. I moved here this year
- 6. I don't live in Richardson



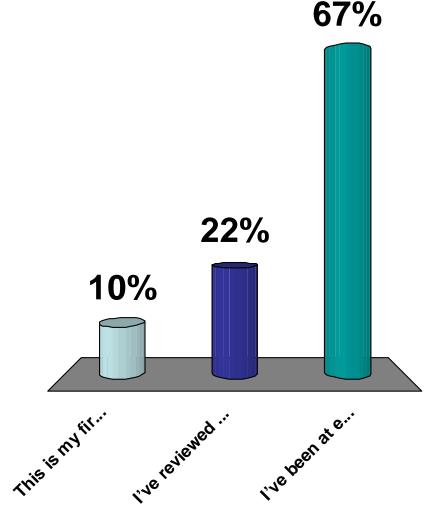
I have worked in Richardson for:

- More than 20 years
- 11 to 20 years
- 3. 6 to 10 years
- 4. 2 to 5 years
- 5. I started working here this year
- 6. I'm in the work force but I don't work in Richardson
- 7. I am retired, a student, or otherwise not in the work force



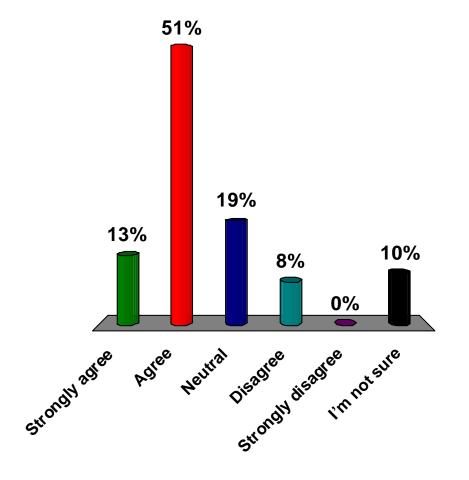
How involved have you been in the Main Street/Central Expressway Study?

- This is my first meeting and I have not reviewed the online materials.
- I've reviewed materials online but this is my first meeting.
- 3. <u>I've been at earlier meetings</u>.



The overall direction of this Framework Plan reflects my ideas about the most successful future for the Corridor.

- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Neutral
- 4. Disagree
- 5. Strongly disagree
- 6. I'm not sure



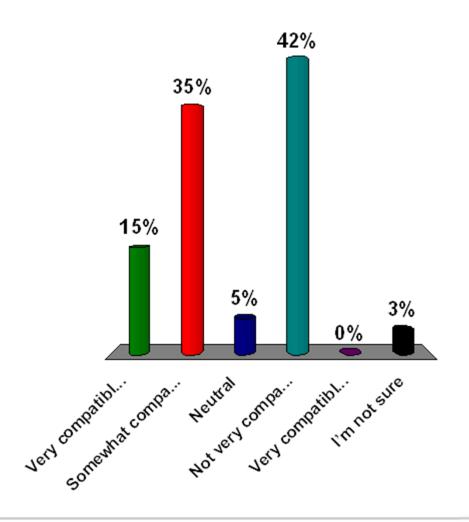
Corridor Concepts Polling

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not Sure
Framework Plan (64% Agree/Strongly Agree)	13%	51%	19%	8%	0	10%
Improve Prop. Values (86%)	38%	48%	10%	0	0	5%
Desirable, Lively Identity (66%)	15%	51%	21%	7%	0	7%
Better for Walking, Biking (70%)	23%	47%	17%	3%	0	10%
Would Spend Time Here (71%)	26%	45%	18%	2%	0	10%
Would Live Here (51%)	15%	36%	16%	18%	5%	10%
Would Own Property Here (65%)	27%	38%	27%	5%	0	3%

Residential - Cottage Development Type – Compatible with the future of the Corridor?



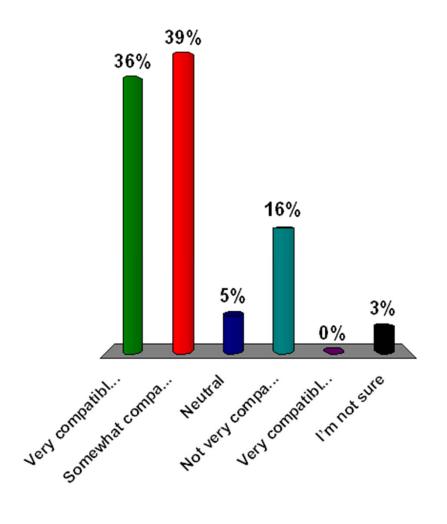




Residential – Townhome Development Type Compatible with the future of the Corridor?





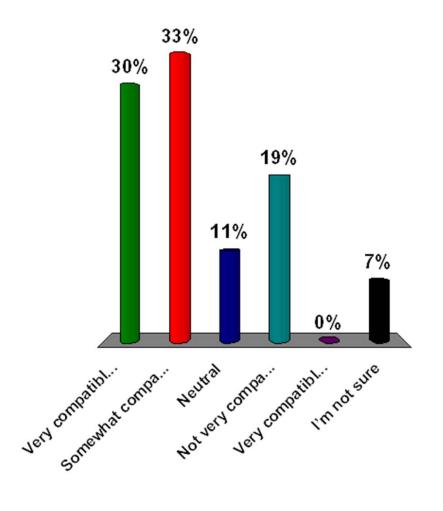


Mixed Residential Development Type

Compatible with the future of the Corridor?





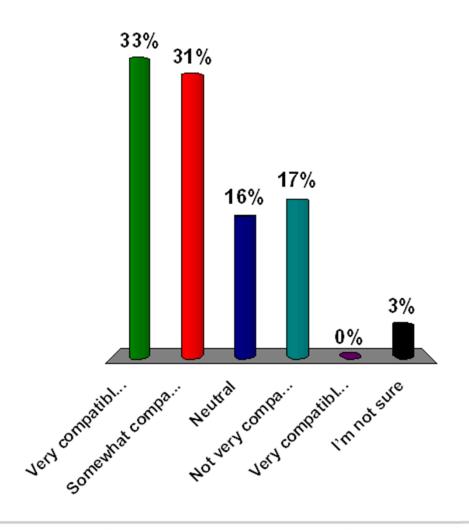


Live - Work Development Type

Compatible with the future of the Corridor?





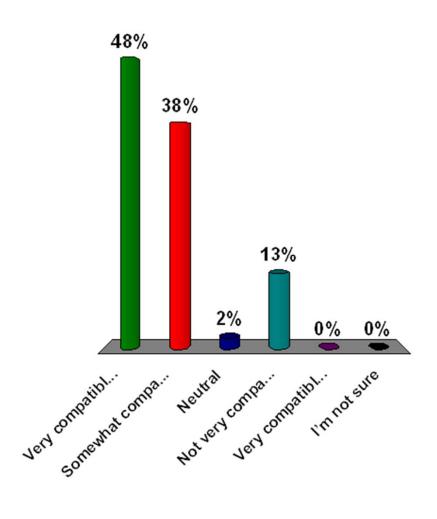


Mixed - Use Development Type

Compatible with the future of the Corridor?





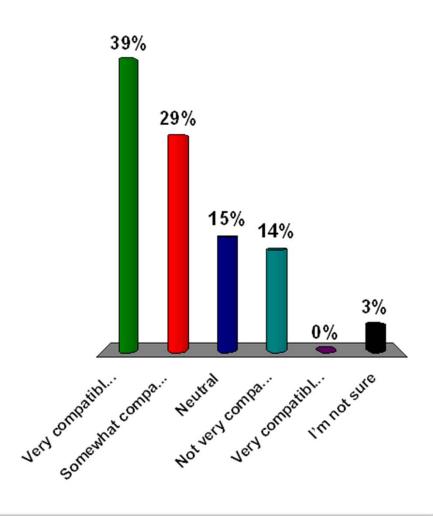


Shopfront Development Type

Compatible with the future of the Corridor?







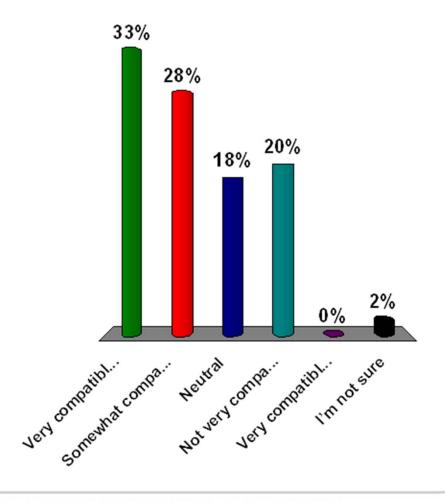
Commercial Development Type

Compatible with the future of the Corridor?







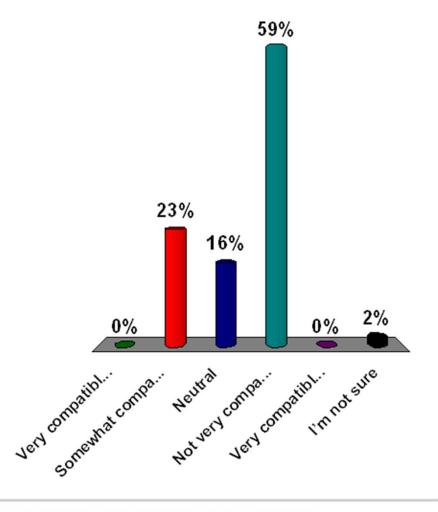


Light Industrial Development Type

Compatible with the future of the Corridor?







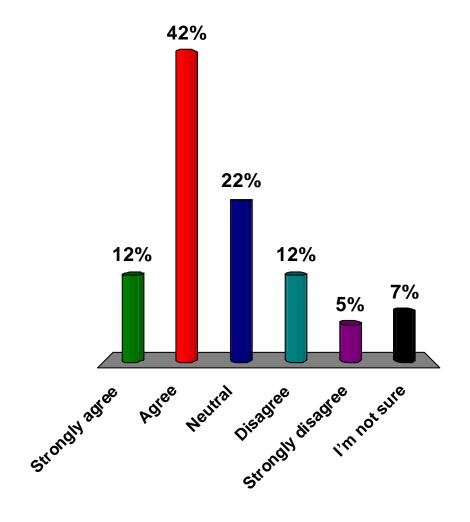
Framework Plan for Focus Area A

- Iconic building at Spring Valley and Central as a city gateway element
- Music/art/museum venue
- Residential close to the DART station



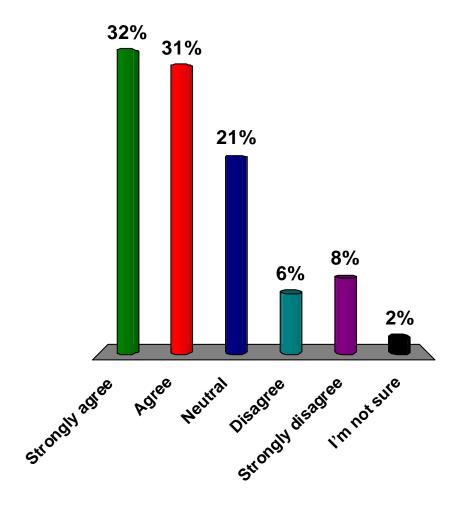
The future concept for Focus Area A reflects my ideas about the most successful future for this area.

- Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Neutral
- 4. Disagree
- 5. Strongly disagree
- 6. I'm not sure



An iconic building at Spring Valley and Central would create a desirable new gateway into Richardson.

- Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Neutral
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- 5. Strongly disagree
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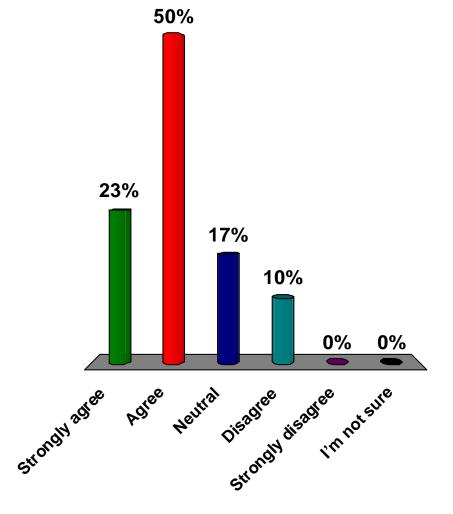
Framework Plan for Focus Area B

- East of Central: take advantage of the Central Trail, DART and Downtown
- West of Central: infill underutilized areas at/ near the Richardson Heights Shopping Center
- Tie areas on both sides of Central together with cohesive streetscape design (along Belt Line/Main Street)



The future concept for Focus Area B reflects my ideas about the most successful future for this area.

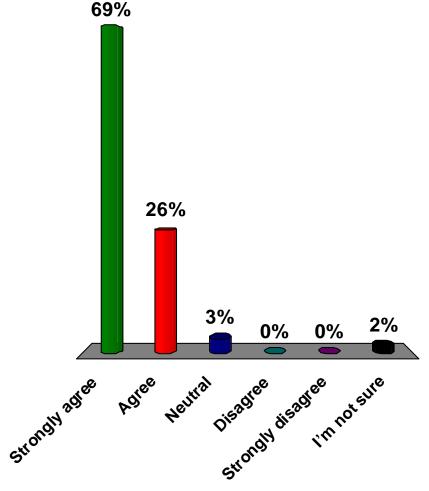
- Strongly agree
- 2. <u>Agree</u>
- 3. Neutral
- Disagree
- 5. Strongly disagree
- 6. I'm not sure



New shops, restaurants and other uses should infill the underutilized areas at and near the Richardson Heights Shopping Center.

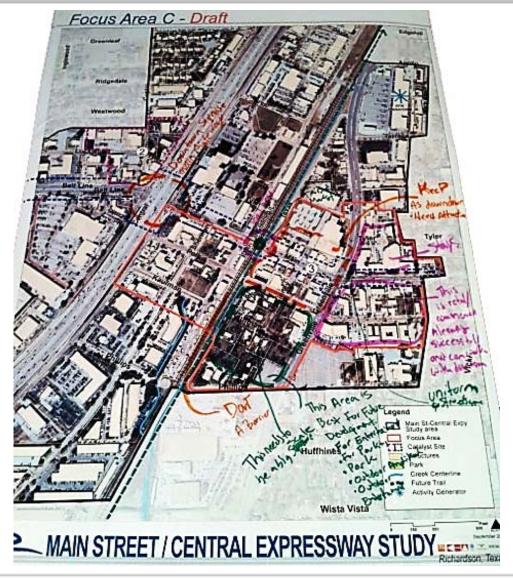
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- 1. Strongly agree
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Framework Plan for Focus Area C

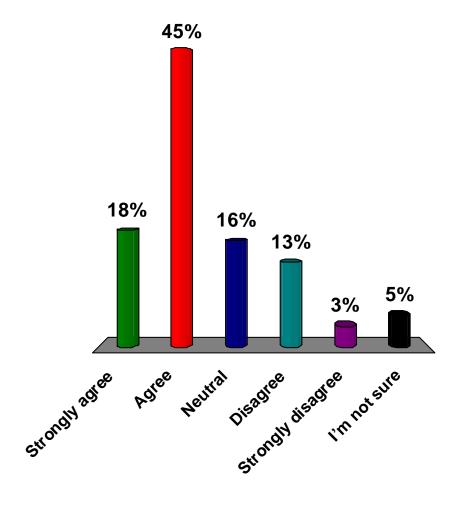
- Build upon the "historic" character
- Needs to be more inviting for pedestrians – wider sidewalks, lighting, landscape etc.
- Gateway and signage at Central



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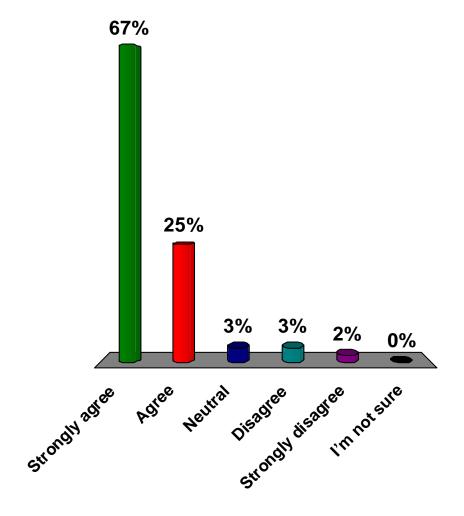
The future concept for Focus Area C reflects my ideas about the most successful future for this area.

- Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Neutral
- 4. Disagree
- 5. Strongly disagree
- 6. I'm not sure



New activities and developments in this area should make it more inviting to pedestrians.

- Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Neutral
- 4. Disagree
- 5. Strongly disagree
- 6. I'm not sure



Community Workshop Stations



Next Steps

Project Status

- ✓ There have been introductory and status update briefings at the City Council and City Plan Commission
- ✓ Online resources are being used to increase awareness and participation (webpage, online survey and questionnaire, Facebook page)
- ✓ An Open House was held on July 10
- ✓ The Focus Group Workshop was held to prepare for the Community Workshop
- The Final Public Input Session is scheduled for November 8
- The recommendation and implementation plan will be presented to the City Council and City Plan Commission in December
- If the recommendation includes rezoning, that will take place as a separate phase in the overall study process

City Plan Commission Briefing October 16, 2012

Online Survey and Questionnaire
Focus Group Workshop
Individual and Small Group Interviews
Community Workshop

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