

# **FONTAINE AVENUE STREETSCAPE**

Steering Committee Meeting #1: Meeting Summary

**Date:** November 15, 2018, 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Location: Neighborhood Development Services Conference Room

## Agenda:

Welcome and Introductions

Role of the Steering Committee

Project Details

Existing Conditions

Project Evolution

Dialogue with the Steering Committee

Next Steps

Adjourn

## **Steering Committee Attendees:**

Name	Affiliation
Adrienne Dent	Fry's Spring Neighborhood Association
Carl Schwarz	Board of Architectural Review
Cort Hammond	Bike and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Helen Wilson	UVA Office of the Architect
Hosea Mitchell	Planning Commission/Entrance Corridor Review Board
Jess Wenger	Fry's Spring Neighborhood Association
Kevin McDermott	Albemarle County Community Development -
	Transportation
Patrick Wright	UVA Health System – Facilities



#### **Group Activity:**

- Each Steering Committee member was given two post-it notes for three categories of the project development; Goals, Concerns, and Opportunities. The findings from each category were as follows:
  - o Goals:
    - Safety for all users
    - Enhanced experience (more attractive/welcoming)
    - Establish a sense of place
    - Alleviate congestion and promote traffic flow

#### Concerns:

- Pedestrian/ Bicyclist safety
- Lack of public transit available
- Not impeding car users
- Site limitations (right-of-way, additional constraints)
- Following the community context

### Opportunities:

- Providing access management
- Beautification/Gateway to the City
- Providing a connection to amenities such as the Rivanna Trail
- Better access to businesses
- Tie in to the UVA community
- Stormwater management
- Extend CAT service to Fontaine Research Park as more outpatient facilities are relocated to the Research Park.

#### **Group Discussion Key Points:**

- Several pedestrians are at Mimosa Drive in the morning, and are trying to mix with inbound and turning traffic.
- An overall desire to see a greater pedestrian presence throughout the corridor was expressed.
- Speed data needs to be collected.
- Vehicles think that they are the priority.
- Consider extending UTS to Fontaine Research Park.
- Need to account for indirect users and events, such as:
  - Trash pick up
  - UPS/Fedex deliveries





- Excess traffic/parking/pedestrians during events such as football games
- Need to analyze the parking needs of the community.
- Find a way to engage the student community who lives on Fontaine Avenue and uses the corridor frequently to become more involved. Possibly include a representative from CHUVA.
- Albemarle County has a proposed SmartScale project to improve the Route 29 and Fontaine Avenue intersection, but realizes there is a gap between the end of this project and their future project.

