

COMMUNITY NEWS

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Pat LeDuff and SU students cleaning up at Scenic Hwy.



Baton Rouge residents cleaning up at Scenic Hwy.

On March 20, from 8 am-12 pm, Keep Baton Rouge Beautiful sponsored a clean-up at several sites including 1920 Goudchaux at Scenic Hwy in Scotlandville.

On April 6th, the Sponsoring Committee held its largest meeting to date at the Scotlandville Library, that was attended by more than 90 faith and community leaders. Planning for a Citywide Delegates Assembly on June 3rd at Mt. Zion First Baptist Church began at this meeting. New congregations and organizations are joining every week. Businesses with an interest in seeing communities develop are beginning to offer significant support. For more information email organizingbatonrouge@gmail.com.



Broderick Bagert speaking to the audience on April 6, 2010.



Faith and community leaders, "breaking bread" on April 6, 2010

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Workshop-Seminar	Community Meeting	Holiday	CIP Workshop
Community Outreach	Community Event	East Baton Rouge Master Plan Meetings	

Events Organized By: 1 Southern University School of Architecture (SOA); 2 Community Against Drugs & Violence (CADA) / Scotlandville Community Development Corporation (SCDC); 3 Office of the Mayor-President, City-Parish Planning Commission, EBRRA, EBR Office of Community Development; 4 Baton Rouge Sponsoring Committee

SU & UT

Dr. Kent Butler, Associate Dean at the University of Texas (UT) at Austin, in the Department of Community & Regional Planning, brought 3 of his students along with Assistant Professor Dr. Talia McCray to assist in the charrette. As both Dean Wilkinson & Dr. Butler said, this is the beginning of a long-term partnership.



Sophie Balunywa (SU) and Drew Johnston (UT) presenting their ideas for neighborhood 6.



Donovan Johnson (UT) speaking with George Robins about development possibilities.

TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) is typically a defined development that is located within a 1/2 mile radius (or approximately 10-mile walk), from light rail, heavy rail, or commuter rail station. Many TOD projects have a mix of uses, including housing, retail, office, research, civic, etc. A TOD can result in many quality-of-life benefits, including reducing automobile use, increasing housing options, attracting retail and commercial development, and enhancing neighborhood streets and town centers. Because of the reduction of automobile dependency, residents can take advantage of a more walkable community, which also results in improved air quality. Creating an effective TOD requires a public/private partnership that includes involvement from transit agencies, local government, other public agencies, the community, and the developer.

Newsletter Committee Members: Faculty Editor, Jason Lockhart; Student Editors, Sophie Balunywa & Khrystina London; Faculty & Staff Reviewers, Jin Lee, Archie Tiner, Betty Howard, and the Dean of the School of Architecture & Director of U+R CDRC, Lonnie Wilkinson.

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NEXT STEPS

Below is a schedule of the next steps in the SCCDP:

2010

May - July: Community Needs/Business Survey

August - November: Review scenarios/preliminary plan & Feedback Workshops

November - December: Scotlandville's shared vision for the future is presented reflecting citizen input

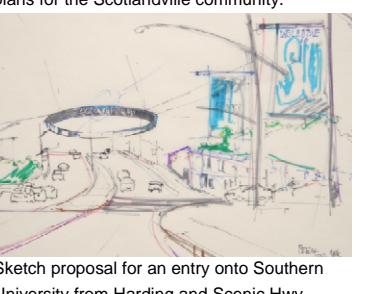
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December - January: Strategies are developed to accomplish the plan, with action steps, implementation measures, funding strategies, and monitoring

February - March: Presentations are held for public review and comment on the SCCDP, and integration with the EBR Parish Master Plan (FUTUREEBR) is finalized

April - May: Public hearings and adoption of the EBR Plan (FUTUREBR) with inclusion of the Scotlandville Comprehensive Community Development Plan (SCCDP)

The U+R CDRC and the University extends thanks to all community members, stakeholders, consultants, and friends that participated in making the Scotlandville Community Charrette a success. A special thanks goes out to AARP for their financial support and Bro. Bobby Burns for his financial support. We appreciate the time and input received in developing the conceptual ideas, which will lay the foundation for the Scotlandville Comprehensive Community Development Plan (SCCDP). For those community members and other interested parties that were unable to participate, the results will be posted on our website (www.urcdrc.org) by Monday May 10, 2010 for additional input and suggestions. In this May 2010 edition, on pages 2-3, is a summation of the information received during the Charrette, April 13-17, 2010.



Sketch proposal for an entry onto Southern University from Harding and Scenic Hwy.



Dean Wilkinson speaking with Dr. Kent Butler of the University of Texas at Austin (Department of Community and Regional Planning), regarding the community proposals.

The SCCDP is scheduled to be completed in March of 2011. Starting in late May - early June, students from Southern University will go door-to-door to conduct the "Community Needs Survey," which will identify needs of the residents/businesses, and core values; so together we can plan, develop and establish programs, and identify resources to meet the needs of Scotlandville, for inclusion in the SCCDP. After completion of the survey, we will incorporate the information gathered in the conceptual ideas developed from the Charrette, along with the comments from the Listening Tour events, and the Vision Statement, generated from the vision workshop in March. All of this information will lay the framework for the SCCDP, which we will present to the community in the form of different development scenarios, starting in late August.

Similar to the 8-week listening tour events, held from October - December 2009, starting in late August - early September, we will begin a Feedback Tour, covering all information gathered from the Listening Tour, Visioning sessions and the Charrette. The Feedback Tour will allow each neighborhood to comment on the aspects of the conceptual plan that they like or don't like, and help us to identify where improvements can be made. In addition to the Feedback Tour, beginning in August, we will begin meeting with our consultants, relative to all the different areas of the plan (economics, social services, transportation, etc.) to begin identifying agencies and funding sources to assist in the implementation of the plan, which will have short term (1-3 years), medium term (4-9 years), and long term (10 + years) goals. As we continue on the feedback tour throughout November, we will continue to incorporate and improve the development of the SCCDP, based on community comments.

After completion of the Feedback Tour, we will develop a shared plan derived from comments expressed throughout this process. This shared plan will be presented to the community as a whole in late November - early December, with preliminary action steps, which will list funding sources, agencies, responsible entities and provides a mechanism for monitoring the success of the plan. After feedback from the community and stakeholders, we will then make final adjustments, and begin to finalize the action plan portion of the SCCDP for final community approval. Final Presentations will take place in February and March of 2011, and integration of the SCCDP into the East Baton Rouge Master Plan (FUTUREEBR) will begin. The Fregonese Team (which is leading the development of the East Baton Rouge Parish Plan - FUTUREEBR), will then conduct public hearings and present the completed plan for adoption in March - May of 2011.

Below and on the next page are highlights from the Charrette with bulleted notes describing the key points of each neighborhood conceptual proposal. Full presentations will be online at www.urcdrc.org on Monday May 10, 2010.

NEIGHBORHOOD 1



Neighborhood 1 conceptual proposal; Boundaries: N-Harding Blvd.; S-Airline Hwy; E-Plank Road; W-Mississippi River

Neighborhood 1 Key Components

- Eco Park
- Retail/Commercial Development
- Develop Historical Preservation areas
- Energy Park
- Addition of Bioswells
- Road Enhancement
- Park Enhancement
- Housing renovations
- Connect plan with Howell Place development
- Skywalks



Pedestrian/Bike Path conceptual sketch.



Taikian Brooks presenting proposal.



Mixed use development and walkable streets along Scenic Hwy.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 2.

Neighborhood 2 Key Components

- Bike Trails
- Retail/Commercial Development
- Mixed use development along Scenic Hwy
- Walkable community, more sidewalks
- Enhancement of existing green space/open areas
- Additional lighting around community
- Development of gateway(s) into Scotlandville
- Clean up canals
- Open up park to the residents with addition of bridges
- Relocation of liquor store



Neighborhood 2 conceptual proposal. Boundaries: N-Rosenwald; S-Harding Blvd.; E-Veterans Memorial; W-Scotland Ave.

NEIGHBORHOOD 3



Neighborhood 3 conceptual proposal; Boundaries: N-Blount Road.; S-Rosenwald; E-Veterans Memorial; W-Scotland Avenue



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 4.



Pedestrian/Bike trails sketch proposal with lighting for safety.

Neighborhood 4 Key Components

- Bike Trails
- Creation of nodes (community gathering areas)
- Housing renovations and improvements
- Walkable community, more sidewalks
- Addition of buffers around tank farm
- Additional lighting throughout community
- Development of gateway(s) into Scotlandville
- Road enhancements



Neighborhood 4 conceptual proposal. Boundaries: N-Thomas Road; S-Blount Road.; E-Cypress Bayou/Plank Road; W-Scotland Ave.

"Together we will have this vision become a reality."

- Dr. Cecilia Griffin Golden,
Southern University,
Assistant Provost



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 5.



Sketch proposal for mixed use development along Scotland Avenue.

Neighborhood 5 Key Components

- Creation of nodes (community gathering areas)
- Creation of a business district
- Creation of Transit-Oriented Development
- Walkable community, more sidewalks
- Additional lighting throughout community
- Addition on mixed use development
- Attract retail and commercial to the area
- Road enhancements
- Addition of footbridges to get across highways
- Enhance housing quality and stock



Neighborhood 5 conceptual proposal. Boundaries: N-Thomas Road; E-Scotland Ave.; W-Scenic Hwy.

"I've always Dreamed of a downtown Scotlandville."
- William Jones,
Scotlandville resident and business owner

NEIGHBORHOOD 6



Neighborhood 6 conceptual proposal. Boundaries: N-Thomas Road; S-Harding Blvd.; E-Scenic Hwy.; W-Mississippi River.



Taufeeq presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 5.



Mixed use sketch proposal along Scenic Hwy.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 3.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 4.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 5.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 6.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 7.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 8.



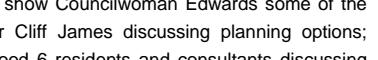
Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 9.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 10.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 11.



Students presenting conceptual proposals for neighborhood 12.

COMMUNITY VISION
The following Vision Statement was generated by community residents from information gathered at the listening tours and vision workshops.

Scotlandville Vision 2030

In the year 2030, Scotlandville will be a safe, healthy, and economically viable community, offering a high quality of life; through:

- a dynamic economy that taps into Scotlandville's great economic potential and capitalizes on its assets (Southern University, Baton Rouge Airport, Howell Place, etc.);
- clean and attractive neighborhoods, rich in character and diversity; each with its own identity, yet well integrated into a cohesive unit;
- a diverse and vibrant University District and Commercial Core offering family oriented restaurants, shopping, and retail for all generations, with around-the-clock activity;
- an active and accessible waterfront that is linked to the University District, Commercial Core, and neighborhoods that promotes Scotlandville as a unique Baton Rouge community;
- an efficient transportation system that serves the needs of all its citizens, promotes walkability, multimodal design, creates vital connections to other parts of the city, and through the Baton Rouge Airport, establishes a transportation hub for the state and region.