SEPTMBER 2007 UPDATE

Streetscape Standards

- Staff continues their work on the Streetscape section of the regulations. The Madison Avenue Corridor Redevelopment Plan (2005) recommended a 3-lane cross section all along the 1.3 mile corridor. NKAPC staff has examined this alternative in light of existing and projected traffic volumes, pedestrian safety, and the provision of public transit service. It appears that the 3-lane section is viable for the section north of 20th Street; however, further analysis is underway for the section south of 20th Street. The streetscape standards will address additional improvements along Madison Avenue including:
  - Pedestrian-friendly intersections
  - Pavers at certain locations
  - Street furniture
  - Signage and wayfinding
  - Landscaping

- NKAPC Staff have been working with the City to incorporate the proposed streetscape plans on Madison with the planned improvements and widening of 12th Street/Martin Luther King Jr Blvd. In particular, the city has been proactive in trying to reduce the number of left turn lanes in the eastbound approach to the intersection of 12th Street and Madison Avenue as well as incorporating enhancements such as landscaped medians and gateway treatments. Additional enhancements could include placement of stamped concrete within the intersection and at the crosswalks. The feasibility of undertaking these improvements is currently being evaluated.

Advisory Committee meetings

- Two (2) Advisory Committee meetings have been held so far (August 28th and September 25th). The primary topic has been to discuss the proposed streetscape alternatives for the corridor.

- Next step: Building Form standards.

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