

**Albemarle County Pantops Master Plan
Community Meeting
December 4, 2004**

Meeting Notes on Transportation

What are the pro's of placing the Eastern Connector closer to or further from the city/county boundary?	
Closer to the boundary...	Further from the boundary...
<p>Few people would use it if further out, per VDOT study</p> <p>More immediate impact on congestion on Free Bridge if closer in</p> <p>Keeps development off Route 20 North</p> <p>Further out gets into historic areas</p> <p>Since closer in is already developed, placement here would protect more rural areas from development</p>	<p>Could take traffic right from 64 and move it around the City</p>

What are the location options of an Eastern Connector?
<p>Connection from Dorier to Pen Park Road— ideas (road goes thru middle of golf course—where maintenance facilities are) – bridge would be expensive</p> <p>Elks Drive—Fontana Drive: light going in now; probably that goes thru park, but actually on south edge... Catholic School location interferes on west side – forcing more disturbance to Pen Park</p> <p>Right now: Route 20 Nor/Profit traffic Pretty light--- sot the close-in route may not be what is needed</p> <p>North-bound traffic could leave @ Giant, follow valley to Wilton Farm and then</p>

across river

Use 20N, past Key West, cross over to 29

State Farm north, along DA boundary by Lake Ridge, to Dorrier Drive

Need to study and southern route—between apartment building and S.C.

What are the ways access can be improved to and from the City?

Route a road/bridge in connection to a redevelopment project

Road from Meade/High, thru Roses and behind businesses (Advance Auto, daycare, etc) along the river, to Spotnap extension

State Farm Drive to Market

Fly-over bridge design (over Free Bridge?)

Connection from Riverbend to Route 20 South (around cemetery)

Extension of Water Street thru Cointer??? Use rr corridor

Elks Drive to River Road in City

Eastern Connector is in UnJam so its official , but no other crossings are in UnJam right now

Question: Interest in number, capacity and destination of vehicles crossing Free Bridge.

Transit from Pantops to the City—or use of CSX for transit

Comments on Eastern Connector Recommendations

“What are the upsides and downsides of these ideas?”

<p>Eastern City Limits to Rout 22— Provide multi-use trail or bike trail</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More benefits from city limit to the edge of growth area • Connects to Glenmore • Concern over use--- will it get used?
<p>Pedestrian overpass over Rt. 250 at Westminster Canterbury</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodates existing development • Addresses a safety issue • Needs to meet ADA requirements
<p>Park and ride lot at Route 250/I64 (could be located at Ramada or between Hansen’s Mountain and I-64 Exit ramp)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will alleviate traffic on Free Bridge • Free trolley coordinated would be better • People need cars in town--- won’t work • A more feasible option if coordinated with an education program • Too far out to help Pantops Residents with congestion
<p>Provide Express Bus Service to I-64 Interchange area to Zion Crossroads</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expect good utilization • Puts mass transportation where much of the 250E traffic comes from
<p>Eastern City Limits to I-64— Provide 6 lanes with continuous right turn lanes with curb/ gutter/ sidewalks</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would wipe out many businesses along the road • It still ends at Free Bridge • We need a southern and northern (eastern) corridor that terminates further east on 250 – does not end at 20 • Six lanes only from Eastern

	<p>Connector East to I-64</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less cost • Combined with fly overs—could get over the river
<p>I-64 to Route 22 —Provide 6 lanes with curb/ gutter/ sidewalks</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add lanes to off-ramps to ease congestion of I-64 • Possible cost and time issues of this recommendation?
<p>Hansen's Mountain Road proposed relocation to Glenorchy Road</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We question the need for sidewalks • What about providing trails? Bikelanes?
<p>Pedestrian overpass at Rt 250 near Route 20</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expense? Is there a cheaper option? • Add pedestrian crossing and light • Safety issues