



Twinbrook – Planning Area 8 Community Listening Session  
Wednesday September 16, 7:00 pm - Twinbrook Community Center  
Comment Form Results

What do you want to stay the same in Rockville and/or your neighborhood?

By 2020:

- Neighborhood feeling
- Upkeep of shopping center
- Tree lined walkable streets
- Lewis Avenue is continued through the Metro Station area connecting to Parklawn and adding additional ways to get to the Pike
- Parks and greenspace
- Detached home character
- Local schools kept
- Residential, shopping, library, drug store
- The diversity of single family homes and high rises. The character of Rockville as family-friendly
- Single-family homes
- Parks

By 2040:

- Neighborhood feeling
- Upkeep of shopping center
- Many tree-lined, walkable streets
- Residential, shopping, library, drug store, senior housing
- Single-family homes
- Parks

What do you want to change in Rockville and/or your neighborhood?

By 2020:

- Edmonston Road very congested during rush hours.
- More senior activities to our neighborhood – where could they be put?
- Safety lights etc., around metro.
- I want more street life. I want a gathering place for kids. I would like Lewis to link directly to Parklawn and Fisher. Such a direct link for traffic would reduce pollution and traffic.
- All electrical lines are underground.
- Improve Twinbrook metro
- Upgrade the elementary school
- Allow more residential renovation (liberalize the limits)
- Better code enforcement.
- Lack permitting – sometimes too ridged.
- The schools need to be supported and facilities improved.
- More amenities by metro

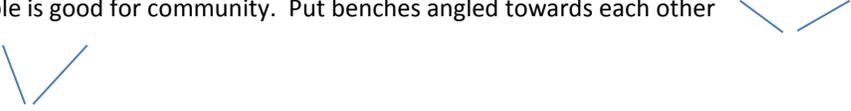


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By 2040:

- Public facilities upgraded to match development.
- Mixed use development at Twinbrook [shopping] Center/Marketplace
- Improved access from Edmonston to the Pike.

Additional Comments:

- Concerned about potential parking problems around BRT stop.
- [Install] benches! Everywhere – sidewalks, parks, good for older people and what is good for old people is good for community. Put benches angled towards each other   
or   
with flowers and grass if convenient; but benches with or without flowers. [Also] good for young mothers with baby carriages.
- I think the planning process, at present, is dysfunctional. A prime example is the Rockville Pike Plan, which has gone on for six years. First, a nationally recognized firm did a great plan, which [was] picked apart for years by the Planning Commission. Now it's changed and going back and forth between the Planning Commission and Council.
- I think the Planning Staff needs to concentrate on long-range planning and restrict the Planning Commission to one-off request. This would make planning more timely. Taking a decade to come up with a plan means our city is perpetually “over-taken-by-events”. Delayed planning is bad planning.
- The attraction of Rockville is family-friendly and the neighborhoods. It is evident that Twinbrook’s nature is attractive to young couples and families.
- It is important the local businesses are fostered. Part of the attraction is the variety of stores (small vs. chain) and restaurants. Look at Bethesda – successful yet neighborhood identity. The variety of local restaurants and businesses mix well.
- Is there an authority to enforce maintenance/upkeep for businesses? Almost an HOA for businesses.
- Increased security and expansion of the security from the Twinbrook station.