

Nov 6, 2019, Center of the City Task Force Public Open House Flip Chart Notes

- Go with the Dahlman Plan!
- Something similar to “The Squared on Second” in Manteno, Illinois!
- Music at noon- jazz early evening, etc.
- Many artists and art associations in or near A2, you could keep an exhibition in area going all the time
- Place to store chairs/benches for extra seating
- How many people would this area hold at any given time?
- Is tranquility an aim?
- Lighting at night?
- Create space that is welcoming to everybody!
- Minimize blockage of streets from any construction, park/commons
- Water feature remediation to educate how to...
- Scad pads – affordable housing solution
- Historic opportunity for A2!
- Conscious café – to integrate evolutionary ideas from around the world, to co-create a next generation solution center, to move from unsustainable models to beyond ‘sustainable’ to ‘regenerative’ well integrated solutions. [Facebook.com/ConsciousCafeA2](https://www.facebook.com/ConsciousCafeA2)
- Mark’s Carts/green market corridor
- No commerce
- Community garden that benefits the people of the city
- Family friendly outdoor space next to public library
- Base it on patterns in nature – zero waste
- Close the streets around
- Education center
- People meeting people
- Yoga, Tai chi
- Temple/consecrated space
- Place of rest for everyone
- Public banking (see latest California law)
- Ice rink/cafes/boutique stores activate a city!
- Greenspace (similar to traditional “center of city”)
- Housing for individual use, not the general public and other 100,000 people who live in Ann Arbor A2; not in center city public space
- Area for contemplation/reading/dreaming
- Multi-use so people are using/around it from 8am-11pm
- Social/public housing for all, housing is a human right
- Use opportunity to re-purpose Liberty Plaza. Needs and active use!
- Retail and housing right downtown by the Bus!
- Include police precinct/presence
- Address housing crisis
- Build social housing on it
- Add plants near Blake that help mitigate effects of exhaust (heat and pollution)!
- In favor of a rain garden

- Exhibit space
- Add green, water falls along a wall
- Playground (unusual one)
- Art can invigorate a city! More art spaces!
- Please seek advice from horticulturalists
- So sight/soil analysis!
- Close off some streets for more pedestrian-friendly paths
- Activities: play area, concert, quiet spaces to read, create, concerts, poetry reading, public toilets, benches, jump rope contests, marble contests, skate boarding, native planting, 3-4 food carts, greenspace
- Public, year-round performing space where dancers, musicians, and therapists can present our work to local audiences, free of charge. This would include stage, but the space could also serve groups/purposes
- A2 has plenty of that ↑ leave it inclusive for all
- Water play space in warm weather, ice rink in winter, food trucks all year
- Housing and a place for kids to play
- Ground level retail, housing and a small park for kids to play (with programming)
- Meeting friends, neighbors, new people
- Music music music
- ↑Yes, Yes please!
- Public/social housing, being with tenants who I can connect with
- ↑No. 1 priority, get over the aversion toward tall buildings!
- ↑Yes! Yes!
- Housing
- Park space
- Where did the old Y go, replace it for housing!
- Lots of housing/activation/24-7 activity
- Housing/common space that encourages the ability to traverse from the BTC to and/through Liberty Plaza – foot traffic – possibly traversing – in/and out of spaces, Minnesota? We need enduring foot traffic connecting the walker commuter to BTW-ADL- ad area parking structures
- Green/open space for apartment dwellers who have no yards
- ↑Yes! We will need open space for all the new downtown residents that live near this lot, not on it
- Quiet space for contemplation, thinking, dreaming
- As close as this spot is to our main transit hub, housing for folks of many income levels (otherwise known as social housing) would be best use of this space. Well, that and places to sit down
- We need to attract children and families – water sports in summer, ice skating in winter
- ↑This! approach!
- Mixed use development. Housing
- ↑Yes! Yes! #preach
- Affordable social housing for low income families and individuals!
- Solar energy throughout
- Gathering in preparation for a protest march
- Play area for children and adults, green trees, music
- Active, not duplicating existing spaces like Liberty Plaza but instead bringing something new