



SPLOST 2020

Project 25 – East Side Public Library Project

Potential Sites Presentation

Site Selection Committee Meeting
June 12, 2023

Presented by:

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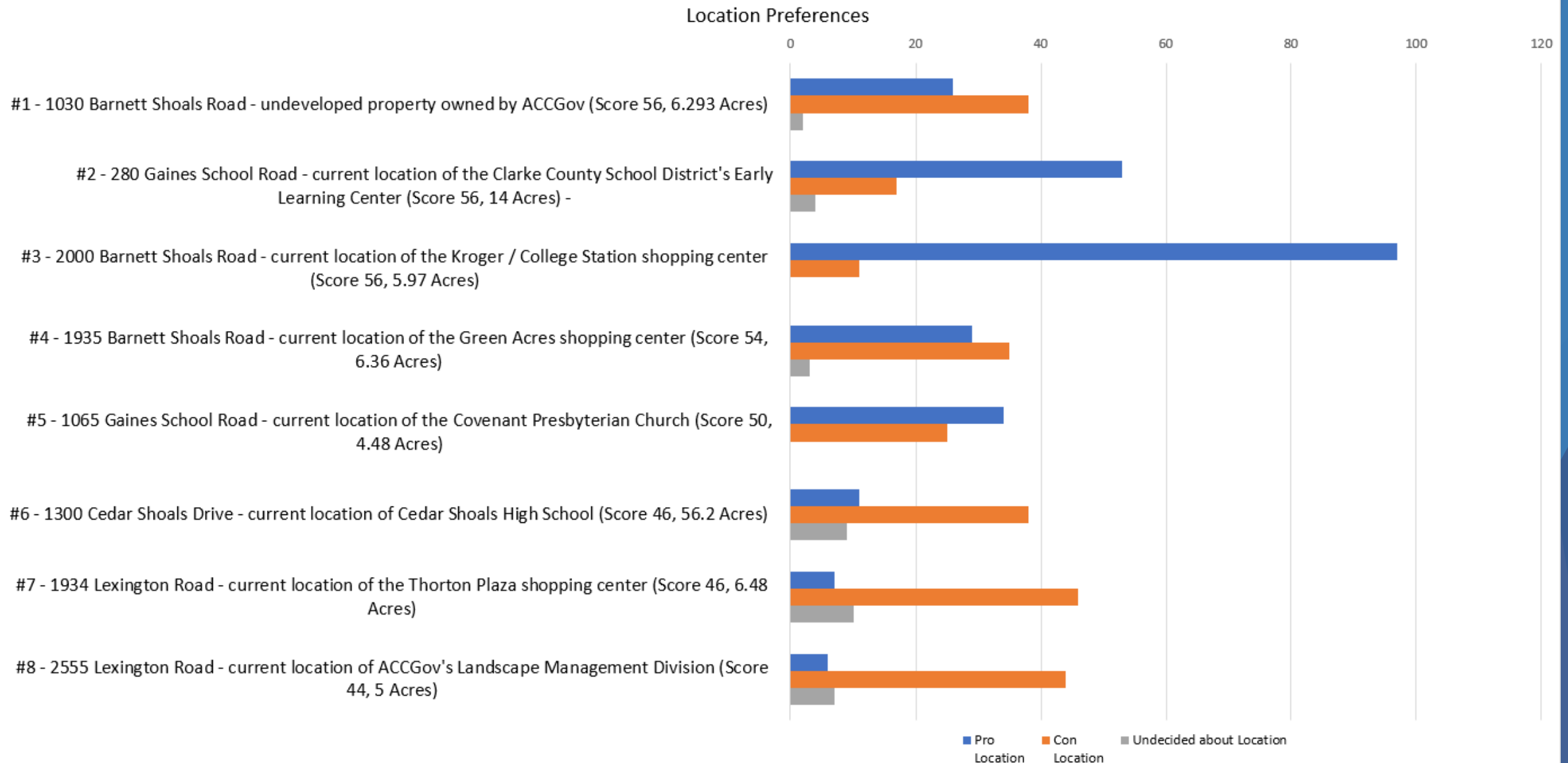
AGENDA & PURPOSE

PURPOSE: Review information received during the public input process and recommend candidate sites for the East Side Public Library

AGENDA:

- Public Input Review
 - Review input on each of the sites
 - Review additional sites brought up during the process
- User Group Recommendation
- Vote to Approve Candidate Sites
- Next Steps

Overall Online Input Summary



#1: 1030 Barnett Shoals Rd

Undeveloped property owned by ACCGov (Score 56, 6.293 Acres)



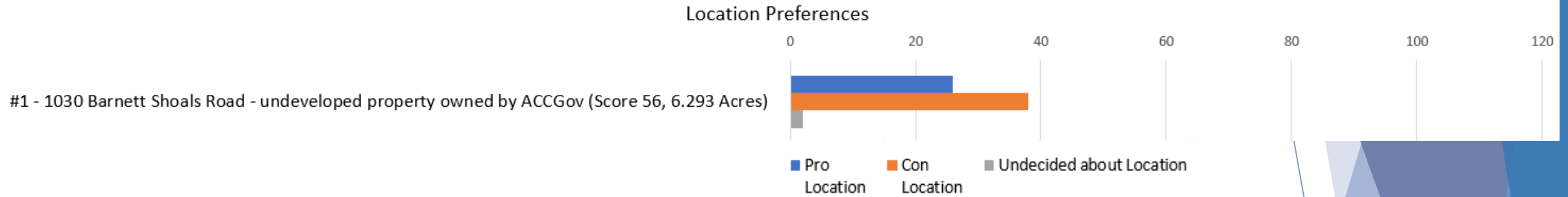
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174D 005	1030 BARNETT SHOALS RD	56	18	6	12	10	30	16
NOTES:	NOT CLOSE TO ANY MAJOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.							
	LEFT TURNS WOULD BE PROBLEMATIC							

#1: 1030 Barnett Shoals Rd

Undeveloped property owned by ACCGov (Score 56, 6.293 Acres)

Online Survey Results



Summary of Public Input

Pros Noted by the Public

- Government Owned Property
- Proximity to Greenway/walkability/bike-ability

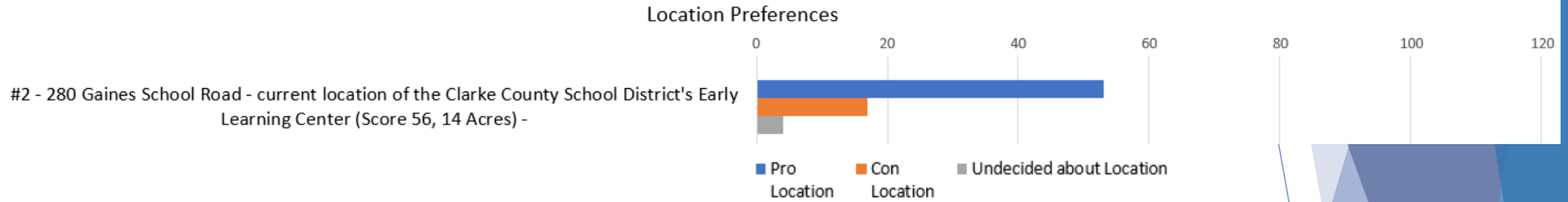
Cons Noted by the Public

- Traffic Concerns
- Accessibility to the site
- Environmental concerns with the undeveloped site
- Lacks proximity to existing neighborhoods and schools

#2: 280 Gaines School Rd

Current location of CCSD Early Learning Center (Score 56, 14 Acres)

Online Survey Results



Summary of Public Input

Pros Noted by the Public

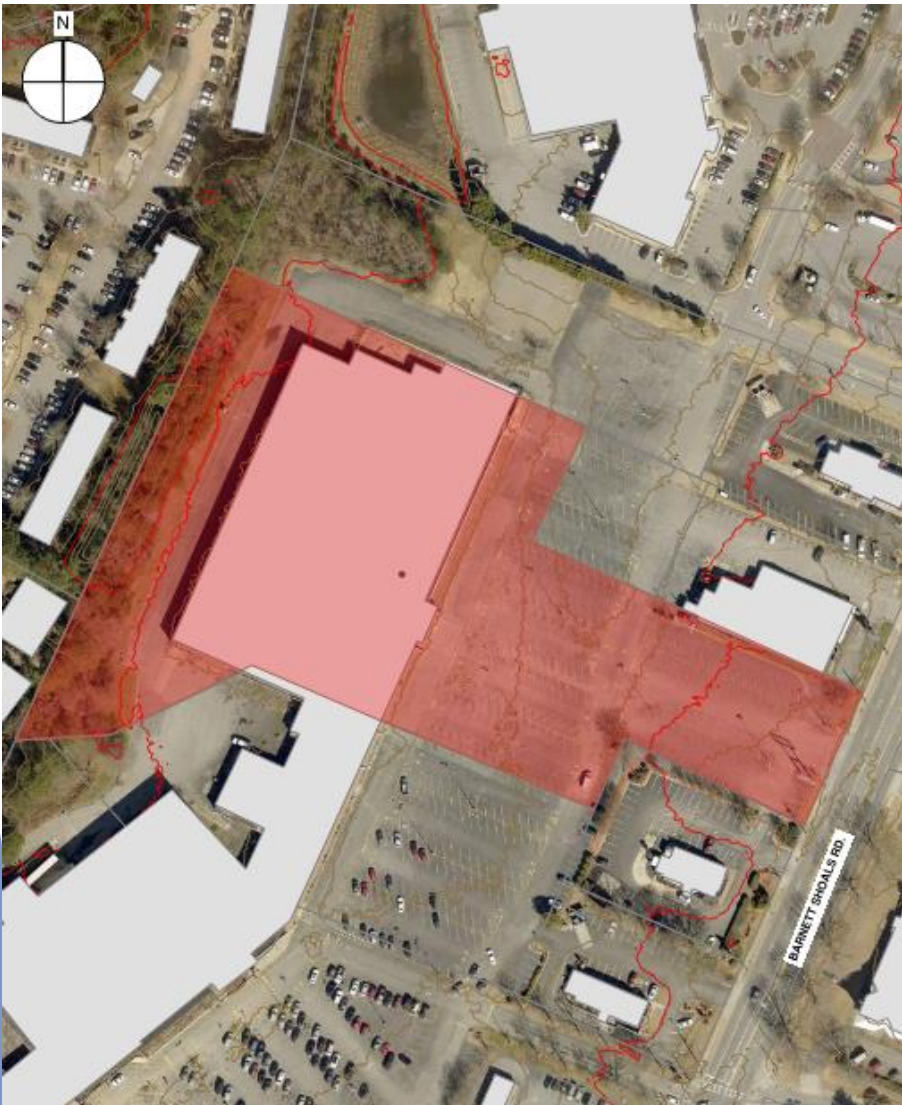
- Walkability
- Close to existing schools
- Supports existing neighborhoods

Cons Noted by the Public

- Traffic Concerns
- Condition of the existing building on the site

#3: 2000 Barnett Shoals Rd

Current location of the Kroger/College Station shopping center (Score 56, 5.97 Acres)
In-Person Input Sessions

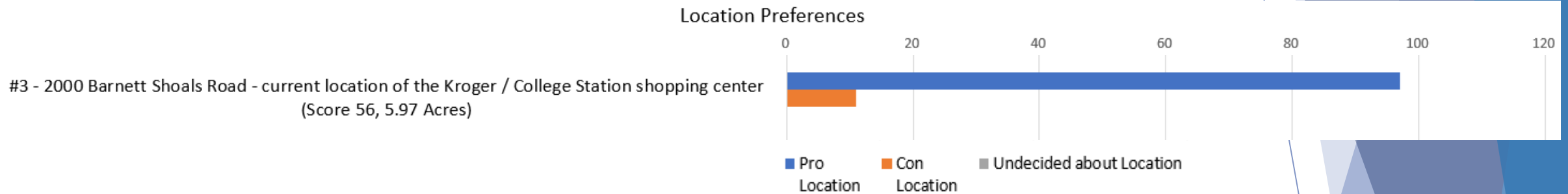


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182B 007B	2000 BARNETT SHOALS RD	56	17	10	32	1	49	11
NOTES:	LARGE BUILDING NOT BEING USED. AMPLE PARKING. STUDENTS WALK HERE CURRENTLY. REMOVE LONG ABANDONED BUILDING.							
	3RD CHOICE. THE AREA HAS MANY PLACES FOR FOOD. THE HERE WOULD BE GOOD FOR THE MIND.							
	WOULD MAKE USE OF A BUILDING THAT HAS BEEN EMPTY FOR A LONG TIME! GREEN ACRES FAMILIES CAN WALK THERE!							
	ACCESS TO BUS 27							
	TRANSFORM AN EYESORE BUILDING INTO A COMMUNITY RESOURCE.							
	PLENTY OF PARKING. WOULD IMPROVE AN EYESORE! BENEFICIAL FOR SURROUNDING BUSINESSES.							
	WOULD LOVE TO SEE THIS DEVELOPED. WHAT HAPPENED TO SUPER KROGER?							
	GREAT LOCATION. ACCESSIBLE.							
	DOUBLE WIN! WALKABLE LOCATION AND GETS RID OF SAD KMART BUILDING.							
	LACK OF GREEN SPACE NOT A DEAL BREAKER. THIS BUILDING DOES NOT GENERATE SALES REVENUE. I LIKE IT!							

#3: 2000 Barnett Shoals Rd

Current location of the Kroger/College Station shopping center (Score 56, 5.97 Acres)

Online Survey Results



Summary of Public Input

Pros Noted by the Public

- Walkability
- Supports local business
- Close to schools
- Supports existing neighborhoods
- Uses an existing building/location
- Supports existing bus routes

Cons Noted by the Public

- Traffic Concerns

#4: 1935 Barnett Shoals Rd

Current location of the Green Acres shopping center (Score 56, 6.36 Acres)



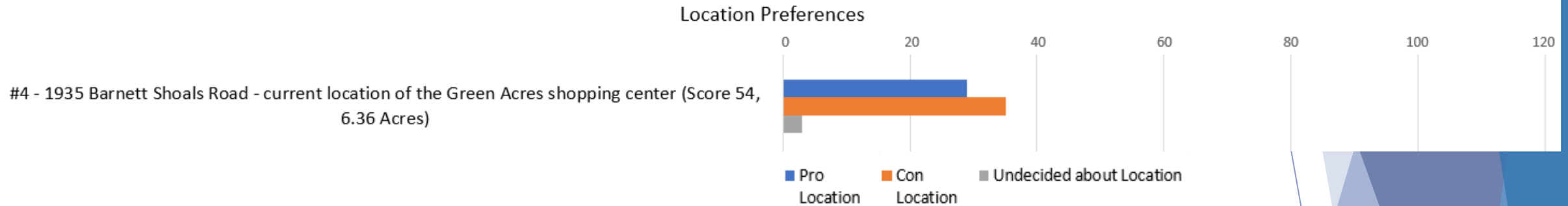
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241A3 B009A	1935 BARNETT SHOALS RD	54	14	4	12	16	26	20
NOTES:	WALKABLE TO MANY. BIKABLE ALSO. MANY OF US LIVE ON THIS SIDE OF BARNETT SHOALS AND WOULD LOVE NOT HAVING TO CROSS TO THE OTHER, VERY BUSY SIDE.							
	LIMITED PARKING. IMPACT TO BUSINESSES. NURSING SCHOOL.							
	GOOD CHOICE							
	NEAR OTHER COMMERCIAL CENTERS. WALKABLE AND NEAR BUSES. GREAT PARKING AND ACCESS. I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR A GREEN SPACE UNLESS WE CAN ADD A PARK.							

#4: 1935 Barnett Shoals Rd

Current location of the Green Acres shopping center (Score 54, 6.36 Acres)

Online Survey Results



Summary of Public Input

Pros Noted by the Public

- Walkability
- Close to schools
- Supports existing neighborhoods

Cons Noted by the Public

- Traffic Concerns
- Does not support local business

#5: 1065 Gaines School Rd

Current location of the Covenant Presbyterian Church (Score 50, 4.48 Acres)



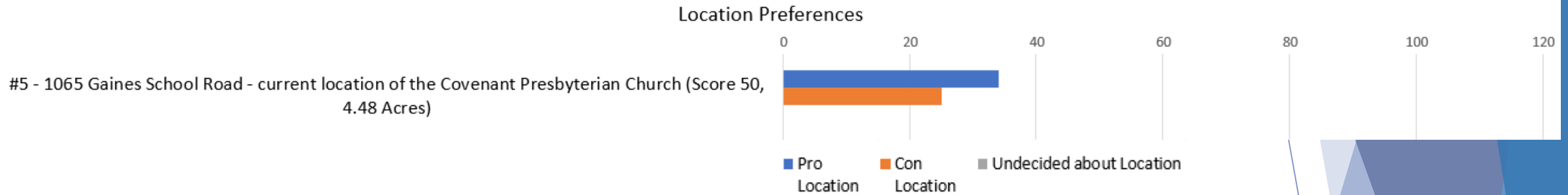
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241 005	1065 GAINES SCHOOL RD	50	4	11	5	19	9	30
NOTES:	TOP CHOICE							

#5: 1065 Gaines School Rd

Current location of the Covenant Presbyterian Church (Score 50, 4.48 Acres)

Online Survey Results



Summary of Public Input

Pros Noted by the Public

- Walkability
- Close to schools
- Supports existing neighborhoods

Cons Noted by the Public

- Traffic Concerns
- Accessibility

#6: 1300 Cedar Shoals Drive

Current location of the Cedar Shoals High School (Score 46, 56.2 Acres)



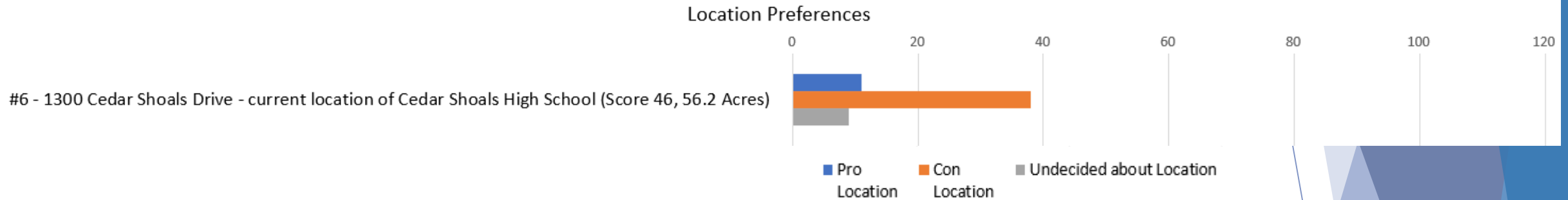
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241 005D	1300 CEDAR SHOALS DR	46	3	16	6	12	9	28
NOTES:	IF IT CAN BE INCORPORATED INTO THE HIGH SCHOOL							

#6: 1300 Cedar Shoals Drive

Current location of the Cedar Shoals High School (Score 46, 56.2 Acres)

Online Survey Results



Summary of Public Input

Pros Noted by the Public

- Close to schools
- Supports existing bus routes

Cons Noted by the Public

- Traffic Concerns
- Accessibility

#7: 1934 Lexington Rd

Current location of Parker Family Furniture/Bulk Ice (Score 46, 6.48 Acres)



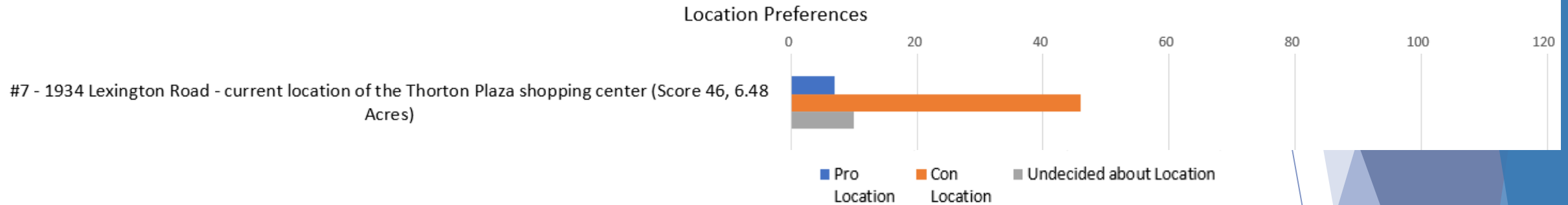
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174B2 A017	1934 LEXINGTON RD	46	2	14	0	16	2	30
NOTES:	N/A							

#7: 1934 Lexington Rd

Current location of Parker Family Furniture/Bulk Ice (Score 46, 6.48 Acres)

Online Survey Results



Summary of Public Input

Pros Noted by the Public

- Supports existing bus routes

Cons Noted by the Public

- Traffic Concerns
- Accessibility
- Proximity to schools

#8: 2555 Lexington Rd

Current location of ACCGov Landscape Management (Score 44, 5 Acres)



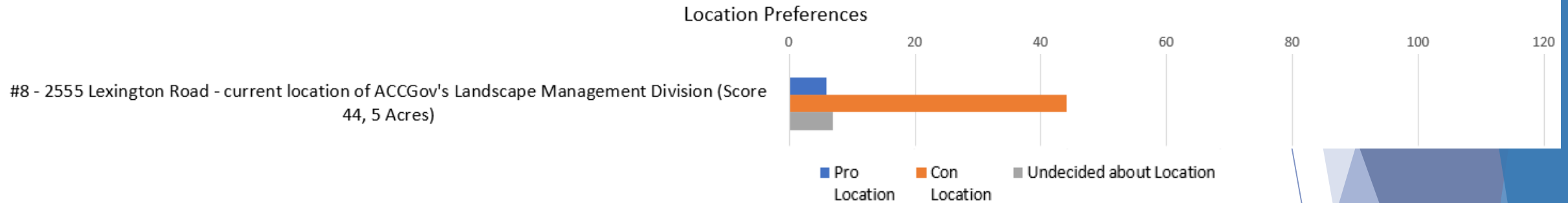
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233 003A	2555 LEXINGTON RD	44	6	5	4	20	10	25
NOTES:	N/A							

#8: 2555 Lexington Rd

Current location of ACCGov Landscape Management (Score 44, 5 Acres)

Online Survey Results



Summary of Public Input

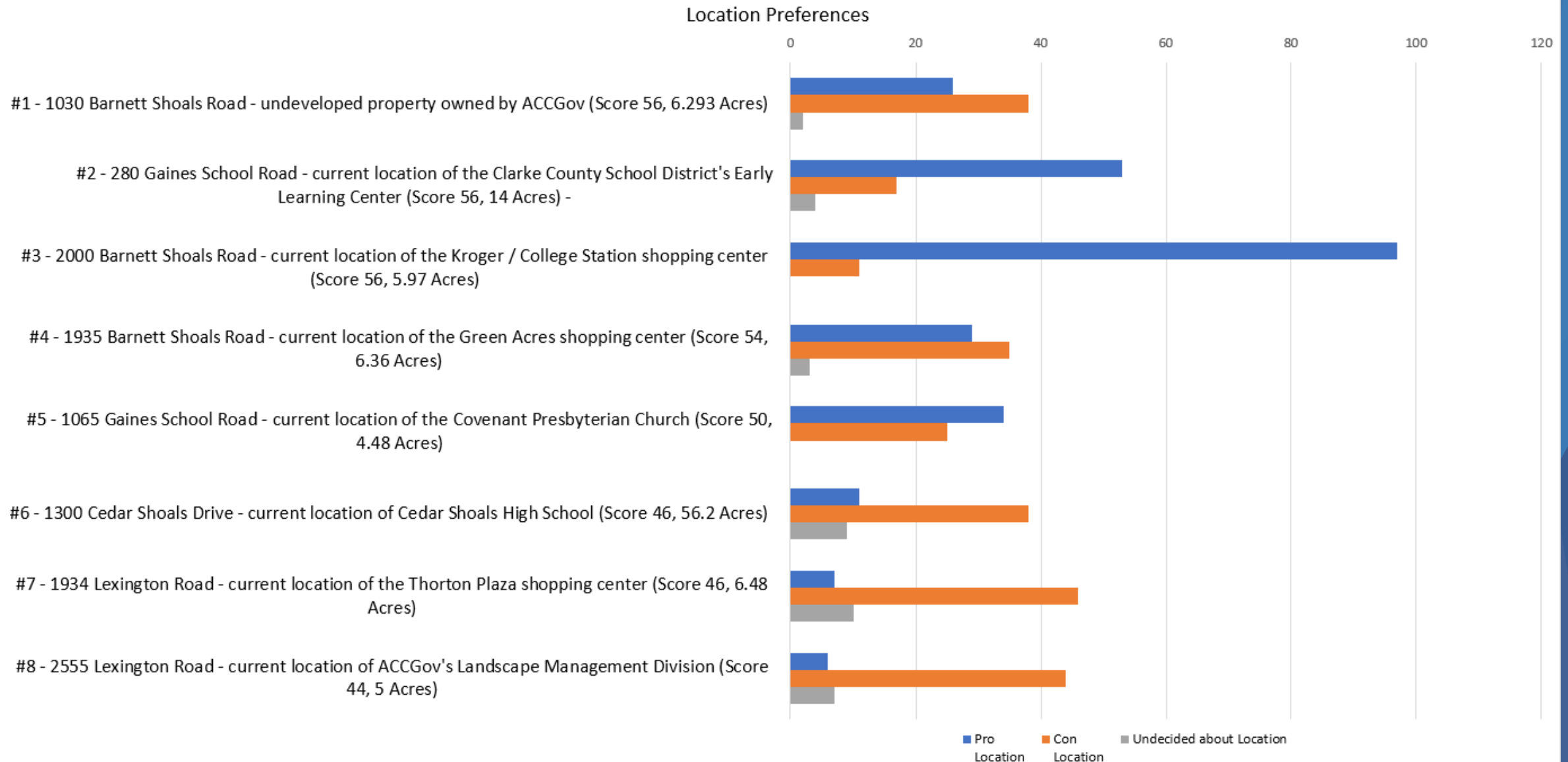
Pros Noted by the Public

- Government Ownership
- Supports existing bus routes

Cons Noted by the Public

- Traffic Concerns
- Accessibility
- Proximity to schools
- Does not support existing neighborhoods

Overall Online Input Summary



Additional Sites Mentioned by the Public

- **4440 Lexington Rd – SE Clarke Park**
 - Does not meet must have standard for proximity to schools, demographic opportunity alignment or social environmental impacts
- **450 Gaines School Rd – Hospital Authority owned sites**
 - Does not meet the must have standard for being clear of airport zones
- **2295 Barnett Shoals Rd – Undeveloped site behind Chevron and Shell**
 - Does not meet the must have standard for proximity to schools or road access/traffic impact
- **175 Vine St – Undeveloped sits owned by the Athens Housing Authority**
 - Does not meet the must have standard for general area walkability, proximity to schools, site location, or road access/traffic impact

User Group Recommendation

- **User Group unanimously voted to approve the three candidate sites below:**
 - **1030 Barnett Shoals Rd** – Undeveloped property owned by ACCGov
 - **280 Gaines School Rd** – Current location of CCSD Early Learning Center
 - **2000 Barnett Shoals Rd** – Current location of the Kroger/College Station shopping center

Vote on Candidate Sites

- Site Selection Committee to recommend 3-5 Candidate Sites
 - The candidate sites will then be voted on by the M&C in August
- Once approved the 3-5 Candidate Sites will be evaluated further by the design team.
 - The additional evaluation will include:
 - Develop a conceptual site layout
 - Develop a comparative construction cost estimate
 - Study site access
 - Traffic impact study
 - Preliminary environmental screening (if necessary)

NEXT STEPS

- Work Session Presentation – July 18th (before the agenda setting session)
- Mayor & Commission vote on Candidate Sites – August 1, 2023
- Final Site Selected – November 2023

Questions/Comments