



## Meeting Notes

Place: Summerfield United Methodist  
Church

Date: May 25, 2016

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Project #: 42157.00

Re: Barnum Station Design – Community Meeting

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A community meeting on the Barnum Station Design and Barnum Station TOD project was held on May 25, 2016 at the Summerfield United Methodist Church (110 Clermont Avenue, Bridgeport, CT). Approximately 35-40 people attended the meeting. The agenda for the meeting included an interactive Open House with “stations” set up that provided information on three ongoing projects in the neighborhood area (Barnum Station Design, Barnum Station Transit Oriented Development and Waterfront Plan), followed by brief presentations by the consultant teams on the Barnum Station Design and Barnum Station Transit Oriented Development projects and a series of break-out sessions that focused on opportunities for development around the proposed new train station.

Following is a summary of the post-it comment notes that were placed on boards by meeting attendees during the interactive Open House portion of the meeting.

*Do you agree with Barnum Station’s Purpose and Need Statement?*

- Yes (5)
- No (0)

*How can a new Barnum Station best serve the residents of East Bridgeport?*

- Create jobs for people who live in the neighborhood (4)
- Provide improved/new sidewalks and bike trails (3)
- Improve neighborhood conditions (2)
- Create new housing opportunities
- Create new commercial development opportunities
- Provide enhanced commute options to/from Bridgeport
- Better position City and other organizations to capitalize on money coming from the State

*Are there alternatives to a new station that should be considered? Are there alternative locations for a new station?*

- No (3)
- Yes (0)

*What are the most important issues (i.e. traffic, environmental, land use) that should be looked at?*

- Traffic – impact on neighborhood streets, capacity of Seaview Avenue (3)
- Foreclosures
- Vacant houses
- Housing (type, affordability, condition)
- Parking

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*How would people access the station from the neighborhood?*

- Walk
- Park
- Drop off
- Taxi
- Bus – routing

*What circulation issues to do want the team to be aware of?*

- Traffic
- Parking
- Sidewalk conditions
- Lighting
- Lack of bike paths