

Mail and Email Correspondence

The following are comments obtained from correspondence sent to the office of JCCOG in regards to the potential amendments to the University Heights' comprehensive plan. The public was allowed until February 3rd, 2010 to submit comments. Correspondence was received from 15 participants. Recurring commentary is noted in parenthesis.

Things people like about UH

- People
- Neighborhood Feel (4/15)
- Community and single family houses (3/15)
- Existing multifamily housing fits neighborhood quality
- Enjoys UH because of distance to hospital, stadium, and other amenities (4/15)
- Quality of life
- Towns view on safety (2/15)
- Low Taxes
- Walkability
- Economic Stability

Things that people like least about UH

- Noise (2/15)
- Lack of concern for neighbors (2/15)
- Traffic
- Cost of Housing
- Increase in rental property (2/15)
- Football Season

Comments on Process

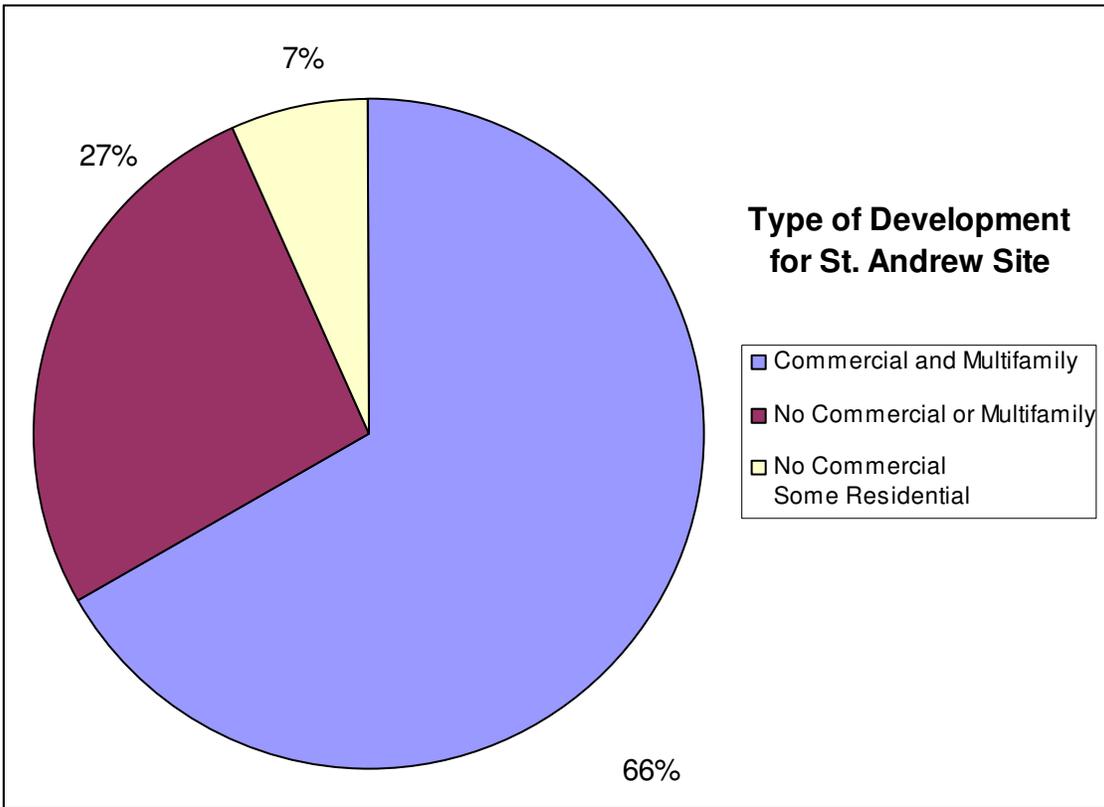
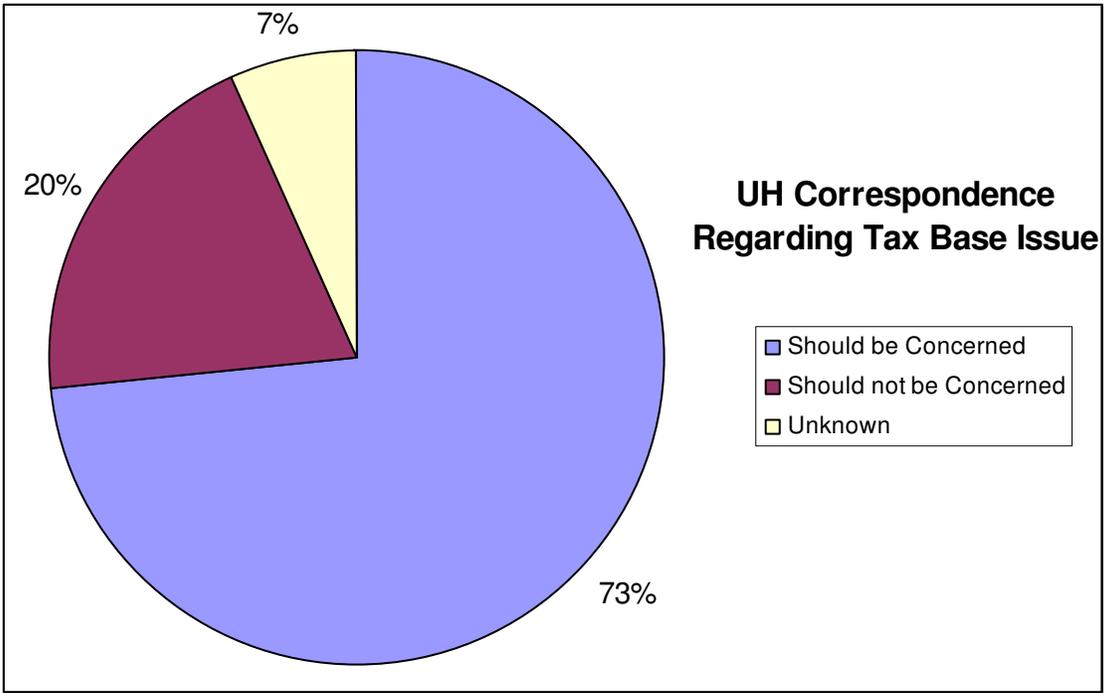
- UH should be concerned about taxable property/tax base (11/15)
- Not concerned about taxable property/tax base (3/15)
- New development could provide tax base lost from the reallocation of the University Athletic Club the University
- Support for rezoning to commercial development
- Believed the City acted irresponsibly when denying the rezoning
- New commercial development essential to the survival of the town (3/14)
- Tax base is clouding people's judgments on rezoning decisions
- Comprehensive Plan should remain the same (2/14)
- Other items needed to be incorporated into comprehensive plan
 - Strengthen housing regulations
 - Strengthening neighborhood sense of place
 - Incorporate neighborhood historic preservation
 - Revisit Planned Unit Development ordinance
 - Create more well defined/regulated business district for commercial zoning
 - Suggestions creating better relations between adjacent development boarding UH

Comments on Development

- In favor of commercial and multi-family development on St. Andrew site (10/15)
- In favor of no commercial development in UH (4/15)
- In favor of other locations for commercial development outside of St. Andrew Site
- Issues concerning structures are layout and aesthetics, nothing else
- Development should provide amenities available for daily life
 - gourmet food/restaurant (2/15), dry cleaners, professional offices (2/15), books/art, coffee shop, grocery/deli (2/15), shops in general (2/15), multifamily housing, only single family housing (1/15)
- Provide space for high end condos for UIHC employees
- Will provide a unique identity to University Heights
- Will provide an opportunity for the City to prosper and grow
- New Development will enhance the City and make it a better City to live in
- Consider other sites if this site wasn't originally in the comprehensive plan
 - University Athletic Club (1/15)
 - Swisher tract (2/15)
 - Triangle Tract along railroad/south of Melrose Ave.
 - General area where La Taste on Melrose is located
 - UH should increase tax base at the corner of Melrose, Golfview, and Leamer (2/15)
 - None: decrease expenditures
- Other benefits would like to see with redevelopment of St Andrew Church Property
 - Transit stops (2/15)
 - Trails/sidewalks (2/15)
 - Landscaping (3/15)
 - City plaza/open space (3/15)
 - Multipurpose room that can be used for meetings
- Concern about the ownership of the property (2/15)
- Concern about a need for extra police

Comments on Construction and Structure

- Noise (4/15), light (4/15), odor (2/15), signage (2/15)
- Environmental issues – Pollution, water runoff (4/15)
- Not concerned about increased traffic/parking (2/15)
- Concerned about increased traffic/parking (5/15)
 - Congestion (4/15)
 - Parking (3/15)
- Not concerned about development mass, height, and scale
- Concerned about development mass, height, and scale (4/15)
- Concerned about layout and aesthetics (3/15)
 - Concern with compatibility of development with the neighborhood



*All Graph data is from a total of 15 pieces of mail and email correspondence