

Wendel Duchscherer

MEETING MINUTES

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No. 00001

WD Project No. 437401

Project Title: So. Norwalk Intermodal/Rail Station
Location: NEON- South Norwalk Community Center

Meeting Date: 6/4/2008
Subject: Public Information Meeting

Attended?	Initials	Name	Company
Y	SKS	Susan K. Sherwood	Wendel Duchscherer
Y	DEG	Donald E. Gray	Wendel Duchscherer
Y	SO	Susan Olivier	The Williams Group
Y	LB	Leslie Black	Fitzgerald & Halliday, Inc.
Y	LS	Louis Schulman	Norwalk Transit District
		See Attached Sign In Sheet for Attendees	

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- 00001 Leslie Black, public outreach specialist, opened the meeting with a brief introduction of the study team and project history. The intent of this meeting is to be a "listening" session. The project team would like to hear from the community what their concerns and ideas are for the train station.
- 00002 Don Gray, Project Manager for Wendel Duchscherer, provided a presentation of the study history, intent and elements. A copy of the presentation is attached hereto.
- 00003 Comments Received from Attendees:
- 00004 Sidewalks near and adjacent to the station are in need of repair, and there are safety issues associated with the adjacency to the streets. These conditions discourage people from walking to and from the station.
- 00005 The study team should look at the Golden Hill area and the adjacency and connectivity to the station, as well as access to the station, including ADA issues.
- 00006 Street crossings near the station are dangerous and should be addressed as part of this study.
- 00007 The design should support / stimulate neighborhood business: business improvement district at exit 14 gateway needs improvement
- 00008 Taxis should be provided on both sides of the station.

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00009	Norwalk police – what jurisdiction at station?				
00010	Fire access at State Street – not wide enough – three new SNEW spaces on street create problems.				
00012	The design should allow for connectivity with high-speed ferry on Water Street.				
00013	Safety issues including lighting will be key to this project.				
00014	Cut-through between Monroe and Washington Streets is a problem and needs to be controlled.				
00015	Commuters do not feel safe; many use Darien Station				
00016	50 Washington Building employees do not feel safe				
00017	Taxing districts – Norwalk and South Norwalk are two towns; makes it difficult to improve the City.				
00018	Subway mentality for train service needed – ease of access, connections and use.				
00019	Look at traffic circulation – mix of traffic and congestion				
00020	Should connect SoNo station to downtown / employment centers (rail)				
00021	Need better frequency / convenience of service				

Prepared by: Wendel Duchscherer

Signed: 
Susan K. Sherwood, Asst. Project Manager

Dated: 12/10/08