Overall Schedule

- May 17 – May 22: Public Engagement Workshops
- May 29 – Presentation of Updated Improvement Plan
- June 12 – Fair Board Consideration
- June – September – Rezoning
- July – October – Fair Board, Sports Authority, and Metro Council Actions (anticipated)
Goal

TO GET YOUR INPUT to inform a more refined version of the Fairgrounds Improvement Plan – this plan addresses all of the existing Fairgrounds’ uses (Flea Market, Speedway, State Fair, and Expo Events), the new Fair Park, the MLS Soccer Stadium, and mixed-use development. The updated plan strives to create an integrated site that connects to the surrounding neighborhoods and the greater city.
Improvement Planning Team
Expo/Event Facilities

Goals

• Better Access
• Visibility
• One-for-one Replacement of Existing
• Equalize foot traffic / exposure
• Modernize facilities

Why this location?

• Timing (New Construction THEN Demolition)
• Simultaneous Event Coordination
• Lower Cost for Construction
Community Table Exercise Feedback
Major Themes

• Accessibility and Connectivity

• Transportation/Parking/Traffic Flow and Management

• Affordability

• Places to Eat and Shop

• Green Spaces/Open Space/Less Asphalt

• Respect for Surrounding Neighborhood
  • i.e. noise ordinances

• Safety and Security

• Maintain Flea Market and other existing uses
Flea Market Vendor Feedback

Major Themes

• Vendor Expenses – Affordability
• Vendor parking, loading, access to buildings
• More & proximate customer parking
• Keep Flea Market authenticity
• Foot traffic – pedestrian flow with sitting areas
• Create User Advisory Committee
Draft Improvement Plan

Relocated Expo Buildings

- 125,000 Square Feet Conditioned Space
- 100,000 Square Feet Covered Space
- Multiple Loading Zones
- Drive access around building
- Roll Up Doors for loading large items
- Green Space/Open Outdoor Space
Circulation & Parking Plan

Parking Projections

- ~1,300 Surface Lots Parking
- ~240 Fair Park – Permanent Parking
- ~1,300 Fair Park – Temporary Parking
- ~1,200 Speedway – Temporary Parking
- ~1,600 Shared Parking in Mixed Use
- Additional Surrounding Parking - TBD
Proposed List of Uses for Mixed Use

- Sit-down and fast casual restaurants
- Retail shops and neighborhood services
- Entertainment venues
- Mixed-income residences
- Creative office space
- Hotel

- Proposed Shared Parking within Mixed Use – 1,600