Symposium Recap: The Evolution of SouthPark


The primary topics of discussion were centered around developing a cohesive vision for urban integration and how to capitalize on the capacity for growth in SouthPark:

- Leverage the potential for growth through density planning
- Hope to develop a grid system for traffic mitigation – similar to downtowns in major metros
- Acknowledge that SouthPark is like an epicenter – there are 250K people live within a 5 mile radius. It is being compared to Buckhead (in Atlanta)
- Collaborate between all parties involves planners and developers alike
- Maintain level of high quality design and build
- Incorporate mass transit as a possibility for the future
- Consider innovative financing as a valuable tool for growth
- Determine outcomes are the biggest hurdle – framework for growth put in place years in advance
- Create “interconnectivity” – live, work, and play within walking distance
- Create place and streetscape is on top of mind for all developers
- Proliferate lessons learned at SouthPark to other growing areas of the city