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<p><i>Steering Committee</i></p> <p>Gordon Bennett Amy Brotman Rick Cofer Harold Cook Jennifer Elsner David Greene Girard Kinney AIA Rebecca Kohout Jack Newman Pauline Porter Mark Schiff Randall Terrell</p>	<p>December 9, 2006</p> <p>CONCORDIA DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>Concordia College is closing. A developer has an option to purchase the site contingent on gaining the entitlements they will need to develop the site in a way that would result in a very dense mixed-use center containing five residential towers, a hotel, office buildings, parking structures, street level retail throughout, Great Street treatment of all internal roadways and several public parks.</p> <p>The developer presented its concept to the UBC Team, which has not yet taken a position, and to the CNA P&Z Committee, which has recommended approval of the concept of the development, including the residential towers CONDITIONAL on the inclusion of a robust affordable housing component and adequate transportation improvements including not only roadway improvements but also transit facilities including bus, streetcar and connection to commuter rail. CNA has endorsed the P&Z recommendation.</p> <p>A site plan is being reviewed by the City. A zoning change application is pending. Advocates feel that this is an ideal site to create both dense nodal development consistent with Envision Central Texas goals, and also destinations that will make a fixed rail transportation system economically feasible. Opponents of the project are concerned about the visual intrusion of the towers, traffic in the surrounding neighborhoods, that there will be student housing, and more.</p> <p>Girard Kinney (FLEA, Nov 2006, p. 14)</p>
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