

# HERNDON CIVIC CENTER

HERNDON, VIRGINIA



Traditional Shops along Lynn Street

Client: Town of Herndon

### Intent

The town of Herndon, in response to dramatic economic and community growth pressures, wanted to protect and enhance the small town qualities of the town center, while responding to substantial demands for more public services and facilities. An early initiative involved the creation of a comprehensive streetscape master plan funded by a NEA grant. Upon selection as the winning entrant, LaPierre was invited to join in the creation of an urban design team charged with creating a new Civic Center Master Plan to be located on abandoned industrial lands located adjacent to the W&OD Railway Bike Path. Through an intensive process of public hearings, workshops and closed-door meetings with adjacent developers, the team prepared a comprehensive urban design master plan which made real several hopes and plans which had been championed by various citizen groups, but had become divisive subjects among Growth vs. No Change advocates. The master plan was unanimously approved by the Herndon Town Council, and has since functioned as a working document and design tool, responsible for the construction of a new county library, municipal center & town hall, and public park. In addition, the plan supported and directed the private restoration, renovation and creative infill development of adjacent private parcels.



Illustrative Master Plan



Conceptual Site Section w/ Integral Parking & Open Spaces