

**Community Meeting**  
**01/19/23**  
**Jerusalem Baptist Church**  
**5:30 pm - 6:30 pm**

During the Advisory Committee meeting, the project team discussed updates and concerns from the November community meeting.

The main topic involved the potential of air quality concerns in Pidgeon Industrial Park now and in the future. The Clean Air Act of 1970, and later strengthened in the 1990s, aims to protect the public from air pollution and promote public health. A park representative explained that all of the park industries, with the exception of the old TVA Power Plant and Sewer Treatment, were built in the 1990s after the passing of the Clean Air Act, meaning all former and future development are held to high standards. Further, the group discussed what they could do if they still have future concerns following the possible expansion of the park. The FAQs below were provided:

***Q: Could greater access to Pigeon Industrial Park lead to increased factories?***

**A:** The project would ultimately allow for greater access to the park and more factories to spur economic/job growth. However, all factories must follow strict state and federal air quality guidelines.

***Q. How can we be absolutely certain that the new factories or truck traffic aren't breaking the rules and releasing harmful pollutants?***

**A.** The studies being conducted to determine the feasibility of the roadway expansion include air quality tests. So current air quality will be identified. For future air quality, it's important for concerned residents to remain informed of which industries are coming in and to ask questions as necessary. All future developments will be bound by State and Federal laws as stated previously.

**Q. *Who should we contact if we have future air quality concerns?***

**A.**

- We contacted the Shelby County Health Department with that question. They suggested that residents contact EPA Region 4, which has a contact list [here](#).
- The Shelby County Health Department also directed us to a website that tests air quality daily and can be found [here](#).

In addition to providing the roadway connectivity discussed in the past, today's potential developments could include livability improvements for people in and around Coro Lake.

- **Option 1:** Connect Paul R. Lowry Rd. to Shelby Drive with improvements ending at Weaver. Improvements could include neighborhood enhancements such as sidewalks, decreased blight, and increased lighting.
- **Option 2:** Connect Paul R. Lowry Rd. to U.S. 61 (Third St.) through a new road South of Robco Lake.
- **Option 3:** Do Nothing
- **Option 4:** Alternative Avoidance possibility

The Advisory Committee members who were present showed greater interest in Alternate 2, the option that provides the least community impact.