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Connecting Neighborhoods

Goals:

Create a destination spot for the neighborhoods and Institutions surrounding Mellon Park.

Create an interconnected street grid between communities.
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Connecting the Grid

An alternative approach is to develop a new road connecting East Liberty Boulevard with Fifth Avenue and Washington Boulevard, creating a new signalized intersection at McPherson Boulevard. This would significantly reduce the traffic at the intersection of Penn and Fifth. Notably, this would allow access to the 1,200 space garage along the back of the Bakery Square development as well as access to the other properties along this block.

Traffic analysis would determine if this approach would eliminate the need for the road widening of Penn and Fifth. Keeping these main roadways as four-lane roads and improving the pedestrian and streetscape character will better reflect the Community Goals and increase the economic, social, and physical value of these properties and this area of the East End.