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Charleston cruise terminal plan unveiled

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A new cruise terminal master plan unveiled today would move ship passengers through a building farther north on the State Ports Authority's Union Pier in a structure currently used for BMW cargo operations.

Officials with the SPA and New York-based urban design firm Cooper Robertson and Partners shared ideas for the master plan at a community meeting Tuesday afternoon. Both SPA chief executive Jim Newsome and Cooper Robertson founding principal Jaque Robertson stressed that the project remains open to suggestions, and the meeting included breakout sessions asking for further input.



Robertson said the plan would allow for an unrestricted walkway from Waterfront Park to the terminal, better shoreline views for surrounding neighborhoods and new public green spaces. He also shared plans to reroute traffic into the new terminal before it reaches the busy Market Street area.

The SPA paid the firm \$1.3 million for the study. Newsome said the SPA is still working on a plan to relocate BMW's operations, with the North Charleston Terminal remaining a possibility.

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