

Durham County

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Item:

Update No. 5 from the Development Finance Initiative (DFI) on the Pre-development Process for the Redevelopment of the 300 and 500 Blocks of East Main St. (Presentation on Community Input Received on the site Concepts and Massing Scenarios and to Receive Board Endorsements of a Conceptual plan and Authorize DFI to Begin Drafting Solicitation(s) for the Redevelopment)

Date Of BOCC Meeting: September 4, 2018

Request For Board Action:

The Board is requested to receive a report from the UNC School of Government's Development Finance Initiative (DFI) on the Pre-development Process for the 300 and 500 Blocks of East Main Street. More specifically, this report will detail community input received on the site concepts/massing scenarios and requests that the Board endorse the conceptual plan and direct DFI to begin drafting solicitation(s) for the redevelopment to allow timely progression of the project.

The public engagement process has included numerous meetings that have taken place with community stakeholders to gain input from a cross-section of community interest groups over the past several months. Most recently, three public forums were also held at various locations in the community and included public web portals to allow for input from a diverse cross-section of the community on the (2) site concepts/massing scenarios previously endorsed by the Board. The purpose of this update (Update No. 5) is to present the details of the community input received on the site concepts/massing scenarios from the recent public engagement sessions and to request endorsement from the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) on a conceptual plan and to authorize DFI to begin drafting solicitation(s) for the development. DFI and County staff will receive any additional input from the BOCC as appropriate as these endorsements are critical path items for the project work at this juncture.

<u>Alignment With Strategic Plan:</u> This update is in accordance with Strategic Goal 5: Accountable, Efficient and Visionary Government.

Resource Persons: Sarah Odio, Project Manager, DFI; Marcia Machado Perritt, Associate Director, DFI; Jay Gibson, P.E., CFM, General Manager; and Peri Manns, ASLA, LEED GA, Deputy Director of Engineering and Environmental Services

<u>County Manager's Recommendation</u>: The County Manager recommends that the Board receive the update, provide input if appropriate, and endorse a conceptual plan and authorize DFI to begin drafting the solicitation (s) for the redevelopment.

County Manager:	