

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL

November 15, 2021

MEETINGS

10/21 Meeting with Jack Harper/First Service Credit Untion and Matt Yerkes/Cultivate to discuss Space for incubator.

Meeting with Mo Dioun/Stonehenge re: housing development

10/26 City staff meeting re: 1847 Main

1847 Main Construction update Zoom meeting with Dave Settles/Miller Valentine

10/27 Staff meeting

Development Meeting

- 10/28 Meeting with John Cumming and Zach Wagner /Strategic Capital Partners re: Area "C" Development
- 11/2 1847 Main Construction update Zoom meeting with Dave Settles/Miller Valentine
- 11/3 Meeting with Alec Land, Avery Ward, Kamala Wolcott, Becky Hutson regarding downtown parking
- 11/9 MORPC Webinar: Transportation the Great Equalizer

ONGOING

- Downtown Comprehensive Plan
- 1847 Main
 - Lease negotiations
- Downtown Signage
- Accessible Playground
- Planning for Small Business Development/Business Incubation With Cultivate

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

We're continuing to see increased interest in the downtown. We currently have some vacant properties downtown, so I've been reaching out to the property owners to gauge their interest in leasing or selling to a prospective business looking for space. I'm meeting on 11/18 with a small business owner from Canal Winchester who told me the cost for space in downtown Canal Winchester has forced their business to look elsewhere. She was told that Groveport has a reputation for working with small businesses and she reached out to me.

Parking continues to be an issue and we're hope to have some proposals to bring to Council soon that will address the issue and allow new development and business growth to continue in the area of Wirt Rd. and Main St.