



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL

October 18, 2021

MEETINGS

9/21 City staff 1847 Main project meeting

1847 Main Project Update Meeting with Miller Valentine

9/22 Meeting with Dr. Aaron Carroll re: potential downtown development

9/28 City staff 1847 Main project meeting

1847 Main Project Update Meeting with Miller Valentine

9/29 Staff Meeting

Development staff meeting

9/30 Budget discussion

Meeting with Eric Ross/3CRE re: tenant negotiations

10/5 City staff 1847 Main project meeting

1847 Main Project Update Meeting with Miller Valentine

Meeting with Steve and Matt McEnery/MAC construction re: Tenant build-outs

10/12 City staff 1847 Main project meeting

1847 Main Project Update Meeting with Miller Valentine

Meeting with Julie Godfrey/Brandon Haas re: Tenant build-outs

ONGOING

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

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

New Business Coming to Town

I'm excited to inform Council that Mark Ours owner of MODE Architects currently located in German Village has purchased the Groveport Presbyterian Church building and will be moving his firm into the space as soon as renovations are complete. Plans are to restore the interior to its original state and use the space for studios, meeting space and offices. You can learn more about MODE at <https://modearc.com/> .

Mark and his wife are also in contract to purchase the house at 559 Main Street and will be moving to Groveport soon.

Former Hot Rod Shop Property

Dr. Alec Land has purchased the former Floyd's Hot Rod Shop building and is working with Avery Ward from Little Italy to develop plans for the site. Avery has an interest in expanding the restaurant and Dr. Land has interest to expand his practice as well as provide some additional retail, office and possibly residential space.

The primary impediment to moving forward with any development of the site is parking. Staff has met with Dr. Land and Mr. Ward to discuss their plans and we are planning a larger meeting soon to include staff, Dr. Land and Avery and the consultant from M & A Architects to brainstorm and discuss ideas of ways to address the issue and allow the development to proceed.