

## CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY DOWNTOWN ADVISORY BOARD



**SUBMITTER:** Jamie Carpenter, Downtown **MEETING DATE:** July, 9, 2024

Manager

**AGENDA SECTION:** NEW BUSINESS **DEPARTMENT:** Community

Development -Downtown

TITLE OF ITEM: Downtown Advisory Board – Downtown Master Plan Final Discussion

ATTACHMENTS: Email sent to Downtown Advisory board June 12 summarizing points from

previous meeting.

Main Street Historic District Map

The Downtown Advisory Board has provided input and recommendations for the Gen H Comprehensive Plan and Downtown Master Plan in the last 10+ months. At the June 11 meeting, staff received a presentation from the consultant, and participated in a guided review and discussion of the Downtown Master Plan, led by Matt Manley, Strategic Projects Manager with the Planning Department. The following updates and discussion points:

- A) Recommendations from the Planning Board (this includes for the entire Gen H Comprehensive Plan, which also includes the Downtown Master Plan): The Planning Board considered the Gen H Comprehensive Plan at their Special Called Meeting on June 24<sup>th</sup> and recommended approval of the plan with the following recommendations:
  - Add statement / explanation of jurisdictions (City, ETJ, Unincorporated County) in the Future Land Use & Conservation Map.
  - Add definitions of "Affordable Housing".
  - Address readability of maps and illustrations (include road names and landmarks).
  - Address land use designations in area around Pardee Hospital considering existing zoning (MIC).
  - Look for ways to streamline primary document.
  - Consider different photo examples that have more direct relevance to Hendersonville.

## B) Draft recommendations from Downtown Advisory Board:

Recommended Approval of Chapter 5 – Downtown Master Plan - with the following revisions/considerations:

- a. Building Height recommendation...(discussion in item C below)
- b. Consider different photo examples that have more direct relevance to Hendersonville PB Concurred
- c. Address readability of maps and illustrations (include road names and landmarks) PB Concurred

- d. Use color coding throughout Streetscape Character section for better understanding of recommendations. Include legend. (pgs 218-222)
- e. Clarify Building Height on Pages 258 and 259
- f. Better instruction or diagrams to help inform signage recommendations
- g. Correct any map labeling errors
- C) Items for Downtown Advisory Board Final Discussion on July 9: Follow up regarding policy-related items discussed at June 11 meeting:
  - a. Building Height (Chris Cormier suggested taller than current state legislation (64 ft) also further review on the discrepancy between the building height facing Main Street
  - b. Page 257 regarding building height facing Main Street in Historic District There was confusion at the June 11 DAB Meeting regarding building height being reduced for buildings that are facing Main Street.

**CLARIFICATION**: The recommendation in the plan is that buildings facing Main Street within the Main Street Historic District to not exceed 3 stories. This recommendation means:

- If a building that is not designated as a historic structure that faces Main Street were to be demolished, a new building could not be built over 3 stories.
- **EXAMPLE** the PNC Bank Building is not a historic structure. If that building were to be demolished and rebuilt, it would not be recommended for that structure to be over 3 stories (40 feet) rather than the 64 feet (4 stories) allowed for buildings out side of the historic district.
- c. Other discussion items may include:
  - Is there anything major you believe we are missing and absolutely should be added?
  - Other site design discussions?