

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF OXFORD

Minutes – March 21, 2018

MEMBERS: Mr. Mark McGiboney, Chair; Ms. Loren Roberts, Vice-Chair; Mr. Jonathan Eady, Mr. Mike Ready, Ms. Kendra Mayfield, and Ms. Martha Molyneux. Mr. Brian Barnard was absent.

STAFF: Matthew Pepper, assistant city manager and DDA secretary/treasurer.

GUESTS: Kevin Clark, Paul Knight, Ryan Yurcaba, and Christy Dodson, Historical Concepts. Erik Oliver, Oxford Resident.

OPENING: At 7:01 PM, Mr. McGiboney called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon motion of Mr. Eady, seconded by Mr. Ready, the minutes for the meeting on January 31, 2018 were approved. The vote was 6 – 0.

HISTORICAL CONCEPTS STAKEHOLDER PRESENTATION: The DDA and the team from Historical Concepts had a discussion regarding the firm’s proposal for the development of E. Clark Street, and other town center areas. The proposal consisted of four phases: E. Clark Street, Town Center, Fletcher Street, and the residential area on the east side of Emory Street. The team from Historical Concepts proposed two potential developments for E. Clark Street. The first proposed development, based on the current zoning (R-20), would accommodate approximately nine homes. The second proposed development, based on a higher-density zoning designation (TC or R-7.5), would accommodate approximately 18 homes. The city would need to provide the transportation infrastructure (e.g. – streets, lighting, etc.) that would allow for the build out of the residential development. The two groups also had a discussion on preserving the historical and aesthetic value of Orna Villa (1008 Emory Street), while still constructing housing on the E. Clark Street development. It was decided that the housing development should limit the visual interference of Orna Villa driving north on Hwy 81. In addition, it was decided that the proposed housing development behind Orna Villa should include a vegetative buffer.

OTHER BUSINESS: The DDA members and the team from Historical Concepts will participate in a video conference meeting on Monday, April 9th. The DDA will meet again on Wednesday, April 25th at 7 PM at city hall.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. McGiboney adjourned the meeting at 8:52 PM.

Approved by:

Matthew Pepper, Secretary/Treasurer