

**Downtown Area Citizens Advisory Council**

**Tuesday, January 5, 2021 ZOOM**

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Meeting ID: 889 0573 5535 Passcode: 194982

Attendance: Joseph & Carolyn Arcure, Chuck Bultman, John Chamberlin, Chris Crockett, Jeff Crockett, Peter Honeyman, Steve Kaplan, Ilene Tyler, Alan Haber, Odile Hugonot-Haber, Lucy Miller, Ron Suarez, Bonnie Beth

Liaison: Steve Kaplan on behalf of Ray Detter

Guest: Maura Thomson

The meeting began with the Community Commons Initiating Committee giving an update on the Committee's activities. A website has been established to find up to date information, contacts for the committee, and the site also facilitates the opportunity to share new ideas and give opinions on proposed ideas. The committee also has a Trello board and Slack set up to increase engagement.

The Committee expressed their interest in learning more about what the community would like to see at the Commons.

The Committee has started to research grants from foundations and other fundraising efforts.

CAC members reinforced the role of the CAC in the context of engaging with the Community Commons Initiating Committee. The Committee expressed interest in getting involved when there are concrete ideas ready to be discussed. The CAC also encouraged working directly with the AADL.

The group talked about the progress of the project on Main at Packard.

The group also discussed the potential of the affordable housing project at 4<sup>th</sup> & Catherine. Some in the group are opposed to parking on the ground floor of that development. The group had a broader discussion about the need for parking and the need to reduce reliance on cars to support the City's climate action goals.

The group wrapped up by talking about various other civic items.