

Central District Master Plan Project Update



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Reports Posted to Website

Two Central District background reports have been posted to the website. The intent of these reports is to provide information to the public, generally, and to participants in the upcoming roundtable discussions, specifically. The posted reports and the associated roundtable are the following:

- [Central District Land Use Report](#): Creating a Vibrant Downtown
- [Central District Parking Report](#): Assuring a Well Functioning Downtown

Roundtable Meetings to be Held in September through November

The roundtable meetings will be held at the Highland Park City Hall, 1707 St. Johns Avenue, in the Pre-Session Conference Room on the second floor. The dates and times of the roundtable groups are the following:

Roundtable Meeting Set #1

Wednesday, September 23:

- Promoting Commerce and Service @ 7:00 p.m.
- Assuring a Well Functioning Downtown @ 8:15 p.m.

Thursday, Sept 24th

- Creating a Vibrant Downtown @ 7:00 p.m.
- Advancing a Sustainable Downtown @ 8:15 p.m.

Roundtable Meeting Set #2

Wednesday, October 14:

- Promoting Commerce and Service @ 7:00 p.m.
- Assuring a Well Functioning Downtown @ 8:15 p.m.

Thursday, October 15

- Creating a Vibrant Downtown @ 7:00 p.m.
- Advancing a Sustainable Downtown @ 8:15 p.m.

Roundtable Meeting Set #3

Tuesday, November 10:

- Creating a Vibrant Downtown @ 7:00 p.m.
- Assuring a Well Functioning Downtown @ 8:15 p.m.

Thursday, November 12

- Promoting Commerce and Service @ 7:00 p.m.
- Advancing a Sustainable Downtown @ 8:15 p.m.

The roundtable process is intended to focus participant discussion by planning theme and get feedback which will lead to the development of a Vision Statement for the Central District. Roundtable participants will explore the overarching questions facing the downtown and then explore one of the themes. The discussions will be facilitated by community leaders, appointed by the Mayor, members of the Plan Commission and assisted by staff from the Planning Division. Each roundtable may meet a number of times in order to develop their recommendations, which will then be forwarded to a Roundtable Advisory Group. The Roundtable Advisory Group will take the disparate recommendations from each roundtable and create a unified vision for the Central District.

The number of participants in the roundtable process will not be limited. You do not have to attend all of the roundtable meetings to participate. In addition, you can participate in more than one of the roundtable groups.

To participate, please email contact@hpddowntownplan.org and tell us which roundtable, or roundtables you would like to join.

Every person participating in the roundtables is highly encouraged to take the Downtown Walking Tour and participate in one of the awareness walks around downtown.

Keep Up with the Action and Activities in Downtown Highland Park

To stay up-to-date on Downtown Highland Park events year-round, the Downtown HP Alliance now offers a weekly e-blast with news of weekend activities, special offers, store openings and more. To sign up, you can visit www.downtownhp.com or email info@downtownhp.com.

The City of Highland Park hopes that the Central District planning process will provide a variety of opportunities for City residents, property and business owners, employees, and visitors to have meaningful input into the future of downtown Highland Park.

For more information, please visit the website www.hpdowntownplan.org or call 847 432-0867.

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