

**CITY OF MASON
COUNCIL WORKSESSION
APRIL 3, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. Those present recited the pledge of allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

The following members of Council were present: Victor Kidd, Tony Bradburn, Matt Kline, Todd Wurzbacher, Tom Grossmann and Charlene Pelfrey. Steve Osborne was absent.

DOWNTOWN MASON REVITALIZATION

Paige Rothstein addressed Council and explained KZF has prepared two base plan illustrations for the downtown area. She explained they both depicted the downtown area of Mason but with slightly different design themes. Design A has a suburban feel while Design B has an urban feel. She stated the Downtown Committee has defined this area as the heart of the community. She also stated before a final design is developed, staff and the committee are requesting direction and comments from Council.

Members of the Community were given a chance to address Council. Dr. Michael Emming of 304 W. Main Street distributed a third proposal which he stated better meets the access to his business and parking needs of his clients. He noted he struggles with parking today and relies on the cooperation of Muennich's to resolve the matter. Mr. Muennich addressed Council and stated his concern is over access to his property and business. He currently has an entrance and exit and it appears, as it will be reduced to one. Jerry Flynn addressed Council and stated adequate parking will come to this area as it grows. He stated we should focus on the long term. Former Judge Batsche addressed Council and asked for clarification on the parking along the side street next to his building. He stated he is not opposed to the new design. Chet Mastalerz the president of the DMA Committee addressed the group and stated this is a 20-year plan. He said some deadlines are approaching and decisions must be made.

Vice Mayor Grossmann expressed an interest in continuing the discussion on building the roundabouts. Councilmember Kidd stated the plaza area is attractive but how often will it be used. He said parking would be used everyday. Councilmember Bradburn stated he also shares those same concerns. He suggested KZF look at it again. Councilmember Kline stated no decision has to be made on the plaza tonight. He stated they are requested direction from Council on which design is preferred. A vote was taken from Council with the results showing the majority opinion is to go with the urban design (B).

Scot Burkardt addressed those present and Council with an overview of the construction details. He stated the time of construction will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with some night time possible. He stated it is our goal to maintain two lanes of traffic.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing land acquisition and personnel was made by Councilmember Kidd, seconded by Vice Mayor Grossmann.
VOTE: ALL YEAS

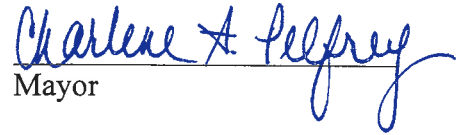
A motion to reconvene into the worksession was made by Councilmember Kidd, seconded by Vice Mayor Grossmann. VOTE: ALL YEAS.

ADJOURN

Receiving no further comments, Mayor Pelfrey declared the meeting was adjourned.



Clerk of Council



Mayor