

**CITY OF MASON  
WORK SESSION  
MARCH 15, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

The following members of Council were present: Diana K. Nelson, Ashley Chance, Tony Bradburn, Joshua Styracula, T. J. Honerlaw, and Kathy Grossmann. Michael Gilb arrived at 5:35 p.m.

**BUSINESS**

Council had dialogue with the Mason Deerfield Chamber of Commerce about demonstrated support to the City and local businesses, relationships with leaders of City Council and Deerfield Township, the Chamber's policies and services, and the Chamber being a separate entity than the Mason Community Development Corporation.

Dan Chambers provided Red, Rhythm and Boom updates including timing concerns with the ability to scale the event to adhere to the pandemic, high risk financial apprehensions, and parking lot paving. Council discussed a Downtown block party event on Sunday, July 3 and planning a larger Heritage Festival/Red, Rhythm and Boom event on Saturday, September 18.

Brian Lazor provided an update on the Density Overlay Project. A steering committee made up of staff, residents, and businesses looked at areas where density limits could be altered and discussion of three new zones: residential, transitional (allows both residential and commercial), and mixed use (businesses). An overlay sets new standards, if met and justified, where density may go up based on the area, access points, and architectural restrictions and allows a review on a case-by-case basis.

Steve Hartke reviewed the Research & Development Park Road. The SR 741 Widening Project begins just south of this road access. In 2023, SR 741 will have five lanes from just south of Avalon Trail to I-71. A roundabout will be included at the R&D Park access with the opportunity to expand based on growth rate.

A brief recess was held at 7:02 p.m.

The regular Work Session reconvened at 7:07 p.m.

A motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing acquisition/disposition of property was made by Councilmember Nelson, seconded by Councilmember Honerlaw.  
VOTE: ALL YEAS. TIME: 7:07 p.m.

A motion to reconvene into regular Work Session was made by Councilmember Honerlaw, seconded by Councilmember Chance. VOTE: ALL YEAS. TIME: 7:51 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Honerlaw, seconded by Councilmember Bradburn. VOTE: ALL YEAS. TIME: 7:51 p.m.