CITY OF MANSFIELD



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HLC#21-001: Discussion on a plan for a potential Mansfield Historic Village

As Staff reviews the development potential of the Harrison tract and other locations for the Historical Village, the Commission will need to formulate a Village Preservation Plan for the City Council to review.

At the last meeting, the Commission selected 1870 to 1930 as the period of significance for the Village, with the possibility of making exceptions for high priority historic resources. Staff is seeking the Commission's guidance on the following plan elements:

- 1. What buildings should be considered for relocation;
- 2. Should relocated buildings be designated as landmarks;
- 3. What uses should allowed in the rescued buildings and on the property, including public events;
- 4. Should the rescued buildings be sold or leased;
- 5. What rules should apply to the placement of buildings in the Village in light of the preservation guidelines;
- 6. How to mitigate the impact of relocating historic buildings (for example, loss of landmark or National Register status versus demolition, relaxation of preservation guidelines to accommodate relocation, etc.);
- 7. Where to find funding sources for relocations, including City and private funding sources;
- 8. What type of incentives can be given to developers who aid in the preservation of historic buildings by relocation;
- 9. How to engage cooperation with preservation and non-profit groups to assist with the Village; and
- 10. What to do about buildings that cannot be relocated.

As an example of a historic village plan, Staff has attached the development plan for Founders Row in Midlothian. Mansfield's plan will be specific to our downtown, but the format will be similar.

Attachment

Founders Row Development Plan