

**CITY OF AUBURN HILLS
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

April 21, 2005

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Hurt-Mendyka called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present. Doyle, Hurt-Mendyka, Hitchcock Kresnak, Luenberger, Ouellette,
Pierce, Verbeke
Absent. Beidoun
Also Present. City Planner Cohen, TIFA Chair Bennett
Guests One

LOCATION: City Council Chambers, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills MI 48326 and a Bus Tour of Opdyke Corridor

DISCUSSION

The meeting proceeded as a bus tour of the Opdyke Road corridor. Numerous sites were visited and discussion took place on the following issues:

- Desire to have uniform signage, landscaping and land uses along the corridor.
- Potential for the Showcase Cinemas site, Walton/Perry/Opdyke Triangle, Commonwealth area and southwest corner of Walton and Opdyke.
- Possibility of Taylor Road access to Lapeer Road (M-24)
- Review building and zoning codes for the potential of using older residential homes as commercial where abutting residential areas.
- The possibility of allowing redevelopment with taller buildings in the Doris Road/I-75 area, because of a vacancy problem with the older light industrial parks on Doris and Centre.
- Visited Executive Hills and reviewed the benefits of T&R development and the need for restaurants and entertainment near the hotels.
- Looked at the Hillfield area and possible residential mixed use in this area due to the Clinton River and Avondale schools.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING - The next regularly scheduled meeting is May 5, 2005.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objections the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Kathleen Novak
Records Retention Clerk

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