Village of Lansing Board of Trustees & Planning Board Joint Meeting March 30, 2010

The joint meeting of the Village of Lansing Planning Board and the Village of Lansing Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:32 P.M. by Planning Board Chairman Ned Hickey. Present at the meeting were Planning Board Members Maria Stycos, Phil Dankert, Lisa Schleelein and Mario Tomei; Mayor Don Hartill; Trustees John O'Neill and Julie Baker; Village Attorney David Dubow; Code Enforcement Officer Ben Curtis; Code Enforcement Officer in Training Marty Moseley; Village Clerk Jodi Dake; Sorel Gottfried, observing for the Community Party; Dan Veanor from the Lansing Star.

Since this was a regular meeting date for the Planning Board, detailed minutes will be done by the Planning Board. The following is a summary of what happened and the official resolutions by the Board of Trustees.

Ned Hickey stated that the main reason for this joint meeting was to consider a PDA preliminary proposal that has been submitted by Triax. There were two outcomes that needed to be reached. After hearing the presentation by Triax, the Board of Trustees needed to decide if they wish to proceed further with the consideration of the proposal, and if so, to then authorize the Planning Board to proceed with more detailed review.

Ned explained that the Village received the preliminary proposal about a week ago and has since gotten some additional clarification on some items. This information has been distributed to all Board of Trustees and Planning Boars members. Eric Goetzman and Jim Bold gave a basic introduction of their proposal for the northwest corner of the current Shops at Ithaca Mall property and the old Butler parcel. The project includes a big box store, the name of which has not been released, a 20 foot buffer area and four apartment buildings with three units each for senior housing. They worked very closely with the Army Corp of Engineers and the Cornell Lab of Ornithology on their proposed layout because of the wetlands.

Triax intends to subdivide the proposed project property into two parcels. One of the parcels will have the "Big Box" improvements with 340 parking spots. John O'Neill was concerned that the buffer was not enough to block the activity at the loading dock that was close to one of the proposed apartment buildings. Jim Bold stated that they would agree to a fence in that area if that is what the Village would like. These types of details will be worked out at future Planning Board meetings as the preliminarily proposal and required conditions are developed for future submission to the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees approved going forward with the preliminary proposal and agreed to have the Planning Board proceed further.

Resolution #5604-Based on the Preliminary PDA Proposal by Triax, the Board of Trustees Determines to Proceed Further with Consideration of the Proposed PDA and Authorizes the Planning Board to Proceed with More In Depth Review and Consideration for the Purpose of Providing the Board of Trustees with Input and Possible Recommendations.

Trustee Baker moved this resolution. Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye Trustee John O'Neill-Aye Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

Ned stated that on April 12th the Planning Board would review the preliminary proposal as thoroughly as they can in anticipation of scheduling a public information meeting and developer's conference for the April.27th meeting. Triax would like to start work this construction season if possible. Ned welcomed the Trustees to attend these upcoming Planning Board meetings if they wished.

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Baker moved for adjournment. Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion to adjourn. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye Trustee John O'Neill-Aye Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

The Board of Trustees adjourned at 8:35 pm. However, the Planning Board meeting continued.

Jodi Dake Clerk/Treasurer