



PLAINFIELD LAUNCHES DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT WITH PARKING STRUCTURE

PLAINFIELD, IN – One of the first projects under the guidance of the Town of Plainfield’s Downtown Redevelopment Plan will break ground in June of 2019. A multi-level parking structure will be the first public piece to the Downtown Redevelopment Plan. In December of 2017, Plainfield Town Council adopted a Conceptual Downtown Redevelopment Plan after hosting several public input sessions and hiring Context Design to draft a guideline for redevelopment.

The parking structure will include 250 parking spaces for businesses and entertainment in Downtown Plainfield.

“After receiving significant citizen input in 2017, the general consensus was that there wasn’t quite enough parking Downtown Plainfield. In fact, downtown parking has been a long-time concern for residents,” said Town Council President, Robin Brandgard.

The structure will have 8,100 square feet of commercial space in order to increase retail and dining options within the heart of Downtown Plainfield. The structure will be built on Town of Plainfield property between Center and Vine Street behind the businesses on the north side of Main Street. The construction timeline will begin in June and will last a little over one year and will open late Summer/Fall of 2020.

“We anticipate several projects to come down the pipeline in the next several years and this a great kick-off to such development,” said Brandgard. In October of 2018, Rebar Development announced a \$21 million mixed-use development, to be named The Barlow, which will include 117 apartments, commercial space and 150 parking spaces. The Barlow project is currently going through the Town of Plainfield’s planning process and is slated for construction later this year.

Demolition of the former Fire Station 122 and the adjacent Chamber of Commerce building on Main Street will provide temporary parking during construction. This demolition of these two buildings will take place prior to the new construction. Customers and downtown visitors will be able to use current Town Hall parking while Town Hall staff will use the temporary parking spaces.

“Private developers reached out to the Town about investing in Downtown Plainfield. The Conceptual Plan was created to give guidance to those investments, but the Plan also addressed the need for public facilities in downtown. The Parking Structure is the first

component of those public investments,” said Andrew Klinger, Town of Plainfield Town Manager.

The parking structure is designed to complement a potential Cultural Arts Center and Town Hall that will be located directly across from the structure. Those projects are currently in the design phase.

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