

Plans continue for downtown Farmington

By Casey Hane
staff writer

A "quality, medium-sized urban inn" for downtown Farmington was reviewed and "received favorably" by members of the Downtown Farmington Development Committee (DFDC) Wednesday, according to Robert Schultz, Farmington's representative on the DFDC steering committee.

The 13-member committee will meet Wednesday to determine boundaries

and a statement of purpose for a Downtown Development Authority (DDA). The committee is preparing a DDA ordinance for presentation to the city council. The committee will meet in Farmington City Hall, 23600 Liberty. Time of the meeting had not yet been announced.

The urban inn concept was suggested as a "major downtown attraction" by consultant Nick Nicholas and architect Christopher Wazany, who were retained by the city of Farmington to

advise the group on downtown development.

Ideas previously discussed at the steering committee level were reviewed by 25 DFDC members at the meeting. The group has a wide range of members interested in downtown Farmington.

NO MENTION was made at the meeting of specifically where a 120-room inn or hotel would be located downtown. Schultz said plans could put

it "almost anywhere. It would have to be built where something already exists." The consultants are viewing two or three likely areas, he said.

In viewing the "major downtown attraction" concept, consultants suggested the group consider "all of the things consumers do; evolve a downtown to please that consumer," Schultz said. A balanced downtown would include a strong retail area.

A major attraction for the downtown complies with the DFDC's statement of

purpose, developed in mid-October, according to Schultz. The group seeks to:

- foster economic growth to create a pleasant environment;
- create a uniqueness to attract and sustain quality business and customers;
- maintain a "small-town, community atmosphere."

One of the special areas for downtown Farmington is the division of a city by the main artery of Grand River. DFDC viewed a plan used in Richmond, Va., showing "one way to handle

a town divided by a major street," Schultz said. A unique bridge across the main road, lined with small shops, was developed, he said.

The DFDC is studying successful plans around the state and country to determine if any ideas are workable for Farmington.

Consultants will present a formal report to the group on Jan. 14, 1986. Schultz expects the DDA to be in place by "early 1986."

Race discrimination basis of suit

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Charges alleging race and national discrimination were filed Nov. 5 by the Michigan Attorney General's office against Mr. Laff's Nightclub in Farmington Hills, according to information from that office.

The action followed investigation of two 1983-84 complaints against the nightclub by the Michigan Department of Civil Rights (MDCR), a division of the attorney general's office.

A two-day public hearing on the alleged "minority quota admissions policy" at the nightclub has been scheduled for 10 a.m. Feb. 5-6, before the Michigan Civil Rights Commission in Detroit, according to MDCR Lansing rep-

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— James Horn
Department of Civil Rights

representative James Horn.

Livonia resident Christine Ferriter filed the complaint, alleging she and a black companion were denied admission to Mr. Laff's because of race on Dec. 10, 1983. Ferriter is white.

The second complaint involved Taylor resident Elias Kazoleh and Dearborn resident Samir Masini, both of Arab descent, who alleged they were

denied admission to the nightclub on March 29, 1984 because of their nationality, according to Horn.

NO OTHER complaints against Mr. Laff's have ever been filed with the MDCR, Horn confirmed.

Management at Mr. Laff's could not be reached for comment regarding the charges.

MDCR field representatives initially investigated the complaints through fact-finding sessions with the involved parties. A conciliation unit of the MDCR also investigated both complaints, but were unable to mediate them. "There was sufficient evidence of unlawful discrimination after the investigation to bring charges," Horn said.

A civil rights commission referee, usually an attorney, will arbitrate the case at the February hearing. The commission is an eight-member panel appointed by the governor to act as final arbitrator in discrimination matters, according to Horn. The commission has the authority to order "cease and desist" action, impose fines and penalties or dismiss a case for insufficient evidence.

Either party has 30 days from the commission decision date to file an appeal in the state Court of Appeals, Horn said. If charges are upheld, Horn expects the commission to "order formal letters of apology and payment of damages for emotional and mental distress."

obituaries

EARL G. (CORKY) HALL

Mr. Hall, 58, of Mesa, Ariz., formerly of Farmington, died Nov. 11 in Veterans' Hospital, Arizona.

Mr. Hall was a roofer. Survivors include his wife, Maryann; sons, Earl, Terry and David; daughters, Maryjo Dominick and Lori Conder; one sister; five grandchildren.

Services were at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, under the direction of the American Legion Post 346 with Chaplain Jay Farrell officiating.

MARGARET M. KEGLEY

Mrs. Kegley, 87, of Farmington Hills died Nov. 6 in Batford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Mrs. Kegley was self-employed. Survivors include many nieces and nephews.

Services were at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with Dr. James E. Tuttle officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Manistique. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

RAYMOND (RAY) B. GRANT

Mr. Grant, 89, of Plymouth Township died Nov. 9 in University Hospital, Ann Arbor.

Born in Arkansas, Mr. Grant was a salesman for the automotive industry. Survivors include his wife, Louise; son, William; daughters, Cindy Cooper, Suzanne Mullen and Sharon Piliat; nine grandchildren.

Services were at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. George Sullivan officiating. Inurnment was in Acacia Park Cemetery, Birmingham. Memorials may be made to the Northwestern American Baptist Church, 1921 W. 10 Mile, Southfield 48075.

Church officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Livonia. Memorials may be made to the church.

CATHERINE SECUNDA

Mrs. Secunda, 87, of Detroit died Nov. 13 in Detroit Osteopathic Hospital.

Born in Russia, Mrs. Secunda was a homemaker.

Survivors include her sons, Kenneth and Holland; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Cremation was in Evergreen Cemetery, Detroit. Arrangements were made by the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

HAZEL D. FLENNER

Mrs. Fleener, 89, of Brighton, formerly of Farmington, died Nov. 12 in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia.

Born in Canada, Mrs. Fleener was a homemaker.

Survivors include her sister, Dorothy Orr; a brother, William Duffy; several nieces and nephews. Services were Nov. 13 at Grand Lawn Cemetery, Livonia, with the Rev. Alfred Gould of Ward Presbyterian

GENEVIEVE E. VILLEMONTÉ

Mrs. Villemonté, 72, of Farmington died Nov. 6 in Hospice of Southeastern Michigan.

Mrs. Villemonté was a homemaker. Survivors include her sons, Paul and Robert; brother, Robert O'Dell; sister, Madeline Loftus; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Services were at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington. Mass was celebrated at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church with the Rev. Arthur Jacoby officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

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SCOLIOSIS
It is estimated that ten percent of the nation's adolescent population has some degree of scoliosis. The medical profession considers any deformity of less than twenty degrees to be inconsequential. The chiropractor is concerned with any curvature, measurement of two to three degrees.
Some interesting information quoted by Dr. R.H. Pollock of New Jersey, indicates that a ten degree curvature occurs in approximately 600,000 children or 2.8% of those between ages 10-15. The idiopathic scoliosis (or unknown cause of scoliosis) occurs about 7 to 8 times more frequently in girls than boys with most curves being to the right. Scoliosis is considered to be progressive. Since 85% of the people are right handed, we find that approximately 85% of the curvatures begin with the rotational curvature of the lumbar vertebrae to the right.
The worst advice a physician (M.D.) can give a patient with scoliosis is "Don't worry about it" or "as soon as you finish growing your curve will stop." The hundreds of adults seen each year with painful adult scoliosis attest to the fact that the disease can progress. And progress it does at a high rate during the growth spurts of adolescence.
A few signs of scoliosis which can be noted by parents begin with the fit of the child's clothing. One hip will appear higher than the other; a hemline on a skirt or dress may seem lower on one side or slacks with one hemline longer than the other. Several ways to check your children are: a) does he/she hold their head tipped to one side? b) is one shoulder higher than the other? c) is one shoulder blade more prominent than the other? d) does one hip appear higher or more prominent than the other? Any of these signs may show the possibility of scoliosis development.
Chiropractic has had great success in halting the progression of scoliosis and in many cases, reversed the process. Repositioning the misaligned vertebrae by adjustment techniques & exercises to strengthen muscles may halt the progression and in many cases actually reverse the condition. If you have already been diagnosed as having scoliosis and past treatments have proved of little or no value, then by a safe & natural form of treatment, try Chiropractic.

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