City seeks community’s vision on the future of the Carousel Mall and Downtown

Staff to host open house on March 28 to gather preliminary input from residents

SAN BERNARDINO, CA, March 9, 2016 – On Monday, March 28, city staff, in conjunction with AECOM and The Fransen Company, will host an open house to gather preliminary community input on their vision for the future of the 48-acre Carousel Mall site in the heart of downtown.

The event, taking place in the lobby of City Hall, will feature a display of image boards from other successful downtown developments to spark conversation and the sharing of ideas. It will also include renderings of AECOM and The Fransen Company’s initial suggested mixed-use concept consisting of for-sale residential market-rate housing and retail redevelopment, with future phases of possible office, educational, and/or additional housing uses. Staff will be on-site from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., to answer any questions and record all input that will assist in the development of a comprehensive master plan.

“We are at the outset of a revitalization of downtown San Bernardino,” City Manager Mark Scott said. “The possibilities are great and the public’s involvement is vital in establishing a center that will boost economic development throughout the city and region. Hosting an open house style event gives us a chance to capture input at the very beginning of this process.”

The Common Council entered into an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement (ENA) process with AECOM and The Fransen Company on Nov. 2, 2015. Since then, the team has been focused on the first phase of developing a comprehensive master plan for the Carousel Mall and Theater Square sites. The ENA is expected to lead to a master development agreement phase during which the team will take input, define a mix of uses, chart development phases, refine project financing, and finalize developer obligations.

For more project information, please see the staff report and presentation (PDF) from the Nov. 2, 2015 Common Council meeting. Click here for an event flier.

Event information
Name: Open house on the future of Carousel Mall and Downtown
Date: Monday, March 28, 2016
Time: 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Location: San Bernardino City Hall – 300 N. D Street, San Bernardino, CA 92418
Parking: Free parking available in adjacent garage or Court Street lot
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About The Fransen Company, Inc.
The Fransen Company, based in Newport Beach, California, provides consulting services to
cities and other government agencies, business districts, real estate developers, institutional
investors, landowners, lenders, retail companies, and allied organizations. The company was
founded in 1984. The firm’s principals have been involved in the analysis and planning of
projects across the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean. The company has
conceptualized and assessed retail and mixed-use development opportunities for some of the
nation’s leading development organizations. In addition, the firm has extensive experience in
predevelopment, downtown revitalizations and repositioning existing retail projects. They played
an integral role in bringing Regal Cinema to downtown San Bernardino.

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OPEN HOUSE on the Future of Carousel Mall & Downtown

Please join us and share your thoughts about the future of Downtown San Bernardino's Carousel Mall District.

Date: Monday, March 28th
Time: 11:30 am – 2:00pm and 5:00pm – 7:30pm
Location: City Hall Lobby, 300 North “D” Street

Purpose
Gather community input on their vision for the future of Carousel Mall and Theater Square
TALLER PÚBLICO sobre el Futuro Del Centro Comercial Carousel y el Centro

Por favor, únase a nosotros y comparta sus ideas sobre el futuro del centro comercial Carousel Distrito del Centro de San Bernardino.

Fecha: Lunes, 28 de marzo  
Hora: 11:30 am - 2:00 pm y 5:00pm-7:30pm  
Lugar: Vestíbulo del Ayuntamiento, 300 North “D”Street

Objetivo

Reunir información de la comunidad en su visión para el futuro del centro comercial Carousel y Plaza del Teatro