

Downtown Mantua Revitalization Community Meeting Planned

MANTUA - The DMRC (Downtown Mantua Revitalization Corporation) would like to invite local community members to an interactive meeting on June 11 in the Mantua-Shalersville Fire Department Conference Room.

Sign-in and snacks begin at 6PM, introductions and the start of the meeting at 6:30PM.

Participants will assemble in small groups to evaluate each Mantua Village concept sketch designed by EG&G and actually “mark up” the drawings with suggested changes. Involving community members is a very important part of the revitalization process because the look of Mantua should reflect input from everyone, not just the opinions of the DMRC.

To meet grant obligations with the State of Ohio, The Village of Mantua must submit final concepts in August and the project will proceed as funds become available. Usual funding for these projects is from federal and state grants with matching funds from our local communities.

Under the current plan, infrastructure upgrades will be the first part of the construction process,

followed by the “beautification” of the village. The DMRC will discuss the possibility of doing minor beautification projects such as pocket parks and moveable items such as benches while waiting for infrastructure funding.

At the June 11th meeting, community members will be asked to think about:

- parking needs, accessibility and visibility
- materials to use (ex. stone, brick, concrete)
- connectivity with the Cuyahoga River, parks and trail
- village walk-ability/bike-ability
- crosswalks, bike racks, bike lanes, sitting areas
- design of street signs, directional signs, light poles, benches, etc.

For more information regarding the DMRC, visit their webpage at www.mantuaShalersvillechamber.com/mantuaRevitalization

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