



**NOTICE OF AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL & EDA JOINT MEETING**

Forest Lake City Center – Community Room
Forest Lake, Minnesota

January 5, 2026 - 6:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Downtown Redevelopment – Mark Statz/Abbi Wittman
- 5. Adjourn

STAFF REPORT



MEETING DATE: January 5, 2026
TO: City Council and Economic Development Authority members
STAFF ORIGINATOR: Abbi Wittman, Community Development Director
AGENDA ITEM: Potential Downtown Redevelopment project

INTRODUCTION:

In December Mayor Roberts, Economic Development Authority (EDA) President Erickson and City staff met with Gaughan Companies (Developer) to review a prospective mixed-use redevelopment project. Located at the southeast corner of the Broadway Avenue/Lake Street intersection, the prospective multi-story building would include hotel, event center, restaurant, retail, covered parking, and condominiums. The proposed footprint of the project includes properties owned by Gaughan, the City, and other private parties.

The purpose of the City Council (Council) and EDA joint worksession is to introduce Council and EDA members to the project and provide comment and feedback to the Developer. This feedback is non-binding. In the event the Developer chose to move forward with a development proposal, formal Concept Plan review (and other applicable applications) would be required.

ANALYSIS:

City staff have not conducted complete analysis of the prospective development project. Worth noting, the uses are generally compatible with the intentions of the Downtown Mixed Use zoning district, Comprehensive Plan, and the Downtown Plan. Additional analysis of the prospective development would occur at formal application review.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Council and EDA members hear the Developer's presentation, discuss, and provide feedback to the Developer.

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A