

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Class 1 Notice, Publish December 23, 2019

Please take notice that a Public Hearing is scheduled to be held during a meeting of the Planning, Heritage and Design Commission (PHDC) of the City of Racine on Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at 4:30 p.m. or a time soon thereafter, at City Hall, Room 205, 730 Washington Avenue, Racine, WI to consider the document titled "Downtown Racine Pedestrian, Plaza & Parking, City of Racine: Downtown Public Realm and Parking Plan, October 2019" (The Plan). Immediately prior to this time the PHDC will receive a presentation on The Plan by the consulting firm Toole Design, authors of The Plan. The Plan is being proposed as an amendment to the document titled "A Comprehensive Plan for the City of Racine: 2035" (Comp. Plan 2035).

Directly following the presentation by Toole Design, and the public hearing, both on January 22, 2020, the PHDC will consider adoption of The Plan and filing a recommendation with the Common Council for the meeting of February 18, 2020 regarding the proposed amendment to Comp. Plan 2035.

The Plan is built upon public consultation during the summer of 2019, and Downtown Racine's well-established street network and building fabric. The Plan discusses a series of changes that can be made to the streets and public spaces to support the area's vitality through the encouragement of pedestrian and cycling activity while maintaining vehicle access and parking. The Plan recommendations include: the elimination of one-way streets, redesign of Monument Square including the reversal of traffic flow on Monument Square, promotion of parking ramp usage, updates to metering for curbside parking, adjustments to routing of State Trunk Highways 32/20, reduction of Main Street travel lanes, addition of bicycle lanes, replacement of traffic signals with stop signs to lower traffic speeds and enhance the pedestrian and bicycling experience.

The Plan is being considered for adoption by the Plan Commission and Common Council under the authority of Section 62.23 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and in accordance with Section 66.1001 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Copies of The Plan are available for review prior to the public hearing during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:55 p.m., Monday through Friday in the office of the Department of City Development, 730 Washington Avenue, Racine, WI, and at the Racine Public Library at 75- 7th Street, Racine, WI. An electronic version of The Plan can be viewed by accessing the City Website at <https://www.cityofracine.org/CityDevelopment/CityPlans/> under the heading "Draft City Plans" and clicking on the document titled "Downtown Pedestrians Plaza and Parking".

Written comments will be accepted until Wednesday, January 22, 2020, 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be addressed at the public hearing and will be given the same weight as oral testimony. Any questions, written comments, or requests for copies of The Plan should be directed to Matthew G. Sadowski, Planning Manager, Department of City Development, 730 Washington Avenue, Racine, WI 53403 or [Matthew.Sadowski@cityofracine.org](mailto:Matthew.Sadowski@cityofracine.org).

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

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