

1 he felt that the city needed to do something to the heart of the
2 city so that people would be encouraged to go there to shop as well
3 as to build new retail stores.

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5 Councilwoman Holt spoke in favor of the alternative plan presented
6 by City Engineer Jack Balling in previous meetings. She felt that
7 Mr. Balling's plan presented a more equitable approach to treating
8 all of the 9 blocks in a similar fashion and would greatly enhance
9 the snow removal and traffic flow over the proposal of Doug Todd
10 or Councilman Barton, particularly in the 3 block area proposed for
11 intensive development. She expressed concern about the ongoing
12 expense and maintenance of the redevelopment plan as presented.

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14 Councilwoman Southwick spoke in favor of Councilman Barton's
15 revision. She felt that something needed to be done in the
16 downtown and the proposal which had been developed over the last
17 several years was the best proposal for the downtown.

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19 Councilman Gramoll spoke in favor of Jack Balling's alternative,
20 and felt that the treatment was more equitable, the lighting was
21 adequate presently, and the street surface would be much easier to
22 maintain as well as to have snow removed than the intensive plan
23 proposed for the 3 block area from 100 North to 200 South.

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25 Mayor Stahle spoke in favor of Councilman Barton's revisions,
26 indicating that he felt that there were only minor changes made to
27 Doug Todd's plan and that none of them would compromise the
28 approach and impact that had been developed over a long period of
29 time. He spoke of the history and background of the downtown area
30 and the desire to see downtown become a vibrant, live place with
31 a high degree of traffic, pedestrians, businesses and the cultural
32 arts. He then stated that he would like to hear from the downtown
33 merchants present at the meeting.

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35 Dell Holbrook spoke in favor of Councilman Barton's plan,
36 indicating that he had been hoping that the city would do something
37 similar to that since they visited Grand Junction, Colorado almost
38 30 years ago.

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40 Doug Smith indicated that he did not particularly care which plan
41 was adopted, as long as the traffic patterns were developed so that
42 there would not be undue congestion. He mentioned that most of his
43 parking demand now was on 100 North and 200 North since his
44 development.

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46 Joanne Tingey mentioned that there were several things she was
47 concerned about and wanted to have addressed. They were as
48 follows:

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50 1. Narrower crosswalk area so that traffic would not be
51 constricted.

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- 1 2. Closure during construction.
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- 3 3. Restriction of the streets and the desire to keep them
- 4 as open and as wide as possible.
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- 6 4. A desire to see Councilman Barton's plan or something
- 7 very similar thereto adopted so that the city could
- 8 proceed as quickly as possible.
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10 Lois Pickett spoke in favor of Jack Balling's plan, indicating that
11 she was opposed to any change in the parking or any narrowing of
12 the street.

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14 Rich Holbrook spoke in favor of Councilman Barton's plan,
15 indicating that he felt that there was wisdom in what the city was
16 doing and in what his father felt was needed to spur the downtown
17 area to further development. He indicated that while their
18 business may not be there in a year or 2 years or 10 years, he
19 still felt that the downtown needed to be improved as quickly as
20 possible.

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22 Jack Billings indicated the need for an improvement district and
23 indicated a preference for formation of an improvement district
24 whereby the merchants would be allowed to vote on the improvements
25 and participate in their cost. He also indicated his feeling that
26 with the advent of light rail and other mass transit improvements,
27 traffic patterns in the downtown area would be altered
28 significantly.

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30 David Holt spoke in favor of City Engineer Jack Balling's plan,
31 indicating that he is a "target shopper" and appreciated the
32 convenience of driving to an establishment and being able to enter
33 and exit conveniently. He felt that any congestion or restrictions
34 to the traffic would detract from this important aspect of the
35 downtown area.

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37 After considerable additional discussion, a motion was made by
38 Keith Barton to approve Doug Todd's proposal with the revisions
39 which he had suggested. The motion was seconded by Phyllis
40 Southwick. All members having expressed their opinions, Mayor
41 Stahle then called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed 3
42 to 2 with Councilmen Barton and Shafter and Councilwoman Southwick
43 voting in favor of the motion and Councilwoman Holt and Councilman
44 Gramoll voting against the motion.

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46 Councilman Harold Shafter then made a motion that the proposed
47 development by Jack Balling on the other 6 blocks be accepted, with
48 the understanding that the city would install the water system and
49 the landscaping. The motion was seconded by Keith Barton, and was
50 approved unanimously by the Council.

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52 City Manager Tom Hardy then suggested that a public meeting be held

1 Wednesday, January 27, 1988 at 7:00 p.m., to review the project.
 2 At that time he indicated that a drawing of the entire area would
 3 be available and drawings of the 6 block and 3 block cross sections
 4 would also be developed.

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 6 There being no further business to transact, a motion to adjourn
 7 was made by Councilwoman Barbara Holt, seconded by Councilman Keith
 8 Barton and the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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 10 Respectfully submitted,

11 /s/Tom Hardy, City Manager
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