

January 17 and 19:

Public Input Sought for Town Square Development, Programming

Glassboro officials invite Borough residents and businesses to participate in a strategic process to determine the appropriate layout, use and programming of a 1.5-acre Town Square to be located at the top of Rowan Boulevard. Two public sessions are schedule to take place on **Tuesday, January 17 and Thursday, January 19 from 5:00-7:30 p.m.** in the meeting rooms at Verizon Wireless (Doubletree Shopping Center, 192 William Dalton Drive, Glassboro). The process is led by nationally recognized landscape architects Laquatra Bonci (Pittsburgh, PA) and is funded by a grant from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC).

About the Process and Meetings:

Glassboro has enlisted Laquatra Bonci to help plan an open space that will generate foot traffic from along Rowan Boulevard throughout the year. This includes layout of the Town Square, planning for events and daily programming, plus an effective business plan that addresses operational costs. The square should help define Rowan Boulevard and downtown Glassboro as a destination that enhances quality of life for residents and Rowan University students and also supports local business growth. The Borough is committed to conducting an open and transparent process to ensure it meets the needs of residents, businesses and the University alike.

The first public session is set for **Tuesday, January 17** from 5:00-7:30 p.m. at the Verizon Wireless Store's meeting rooms (192 William Dalton Drive, Glassboro). This Community Input Session will include a discussion about key

downtown issues, including local culture, needs and constraints. Light refreshments will be served.

A follow up session is scheduled for **Thursday, January 19** from 5:00-7:30 p.m. at the Verizon Wireless Store's meeting rooms (192 William Dalton Drive, Glassboro). Participants in the first session are invited to return to hear preliminary recommendations for the Town Square and provide feedback. Light refreshments will be served.

About the Town Square:

The future Town Square site is located at the intersection of High and Main Streets in Downtown Glassboro, at the top of Rowan Boulevard and at the center of the downtown redevelopment zone. The site includes a series of underutilized buildings, including a closed gas station, and is being cleaned up and converted into a 1.5 acre plaza for events and activities.

To Participate:

To reserve your spot at one or both of these sessions or for more information, please RSVP by email to info@glassboro.org. Some individuals may have already confirmed their attendance with the Borough Administrator's office. If so, you do not need to respond again.

Thank you as always for your interest and participation!

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