

Draft Catalyst Redevelopment Site Objectives

- A. Create positive and visible redevelopment, both building exteriors and interiors, that can act as a catalyst for new interest in and revitalization of downtown
- B. Strengthen downtown's business environment as a vibrant retail/restaurant destination for Chaska and surrounding communities
- C. Redevelopment is accomplished in a high quality manner that continues the City of Chaska's legacy of visionary projects as demonstrated by Chaska Community Center, Chaska Town Course, and Chaska Firemen's Park/Curling Center/Event Center
- D. Ensure all redevelopment complements downtown's historic character and scale
- E. Provide an identifiable concentration of desirable destinations and amenities that collectively create an economic "value premium" in downtown Chaska that will attract new residents, businesses, and visitors
- F. Leverage this full-block and centrally-located site's potential for a variety of new desirable downtown development opportunities, such as retail/restaurant, civic/library, multi-family residential and public/private parking
- G. Provide adequate parking on-site to meet the needs of all of the proposed redevelopment's uses as well as for public downtown parking
- H. Maintain transparency and open lines of communication with existing property owners and their tenants
- I. Incorporate a north-south pedestrian connection between City Hall Plaza and the historic business district to the south
- J. Design the block's redevelopment to capitalize on its adjacency and views of City Square, including existing development on the other sides of City Square
- K. Design the block's redevelopment with the optimal relationship to Chestnut Street/Hwy 41, e.g. buildings facing Chestnut St and City Square while also mitigating the negative impacts of Hwy 41
- L. Design the block's redevelopment to be welcoming to all - Chaska residents near downtown and above the bluff as well as surrounding communities
- M. Explore opportunities for incorporating a WOW factor in the block's redevelopment
- N. Ensure that the block's redevelopment is grounded in fiscal and market realities for both private and public stakeholders