

## City of Grass Valley Press Release – Dorsey Marketplace

On December 9, 2015, the City received a revised application packet for the Dorsey Marketplace Project. The applications included the following:

1. General Plan Amendment to change the land use designation from Business Park to 21.2 acres of Commercial and 5.7 acres of Residential Urban High Density; 2) Rezone from Corporate Business Park to 21.2 acres of C-2 and 5.7 acres of R-3; 3) Development Review application to review the site plan and architecture for 181,900 square feet of commercial and retail uses, and 90 multifamily residential units; and 4) Use Permit to allow three (3) drive-through restaurants.

The City is now beginning the processing of the Dorsey Marketplace Project. Listed below are preliminary dates and key *state-required* steps that must be followed. Also included are steps the City will take as part of its processing of the project.

**February 9, 2016:** The City Council will consider approval of a contract with a consultant to prepare the Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and a Reimbursement Agreement with the applicant to pay for the EIR and application processing.

**February 16 to March 17, 2016:** Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an EIR. This is the City's notification to public agencies and public that we are preparing an EIR.

**March 1, 2016:** Potential Joint City Council and Planning Commission meeting to review the project. This is a general information public meeting to discuss: 1) the applications; 2) the review process; 3) meetings with Development Review Committee (DRC), Planning Commission and City Council; 4) the environmental review process; and 5) the opportunities for public participation.

**March 2, 2016:** NOP Scoping meeting. There will be one meeting held for public agencies, and an early evening meeting for the general public.

**Mid-March:** An applicant sponsored open house with the location, date and time to be confirmed at the February 9<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. Though applicant sponsored, City Staff, the Mayor, and other Council members may attend.

**April 12 or 26, 2016:** Preliminary DRC meeting to review the proposed architecture and project design elements. Additional meeting could follow.

**July 7 to September 9, 2016:** Estimated 45 day review period for the Draft EIR.

**August 8, 2016:** Public hearing with the Planning Commission on the Draft EIR. Staff and the EIR consultants will review the conclusions in the DEIR. The public can provide comments and ask questions.

**September 13 or 27, 2016:** Potential first formal DRC meetings to provide recommendations on the project to the Planning Commission. Multiple meetings may occur.

**November 15, 2016:** Potential Planning Commission public hearing on the project applications. Multiple meeting may occur.

**January 2017:** Potential first date for the City Council public hearings on the project and EIR.

These dates are preliminary and the dynamics of a project of this scale can change rapidly. The purpose is to provide the Council and interested citizens with a general idea of the key processing steps and when there are opportunities to participate in this project. Staff does not anticipate the City Council will take action on these applications until early 2017.