

First Friday Noontime Forum Series
“Continuing the Growth and Prosperity of Downtown Lancaster”

Highlights –Part X

Part X – September 2006 – Discussion with Randy Patterson

- ❖ A visioning process was conducted by Christopher Leinberger of the Brookings Institution—for a period of 3-5 years. The report has not been finalized at this time.
- ❖ There is a need to increase the availability of Class A office space to accommodate the demand by professional service providers and financial institutions.
- ❖ A city tourism marketing plan is being developed.
- ❖ The City is going to take a “new” look at the east side of Lancaster Square.
- ❖ Housing is an important component of economic development—people want to move to the city. The need for affordable housing has not been overlooked. A new housing software system is being implemented.
- ❖ The possibility of a form-based zoning district overlay is being reviewed with the help of the LCPC.
- ❖ The issue of a split-tax is currently under study.