

Larry Solomon MAYOR

Union Commission Approves Union Town Center Request for Qualifications

The City Commission of the City of Union approved a municipal order to seek interested parties and their qualifications to proceed to development of the Union Town Center at their April 2, 2018, meeting.

The Commission voted 5-0 to approve the order to issue a Request For Qualification (RFQ) to sample the market for interested firms willing to work with the City to convert the plan into a town center. The RFQ will include identification of developable land, style of development, the city's vision, useful maps, utility contacts and city contacts, along with relevant demographic statistics.

Commissioner Jeremy Ramage, head of the Union Economic Development Committee, recommended the RFQ initiative to help guide the city through identifying a potential developer and to provide concrete "actionable" steps to move the development forward.

"This RFQ will help us identify where best to build the center of the new town, and what steps we need to take to move the project forward." said Commissioner Ramage.

"The old town plan has been around for many years. Now that construction of the new Mt. Zion/Route 536 road is underway, momentum for the new Union town is here. Additionally, we now have a fully professional staff in place with a full-time City Administrator leading the team. As a result, we are now actively moving forward into making the new Union Town Center a reality!" said Mayor Larry Solomon.

More information regarding the City of Union can be found on the city's website <u>www.cityofunionky.org</u> or by contacting Communications and Operations Director Melissa Hinkle at <u>melissah@cityofunionky.org</u> or 859-384-1511.