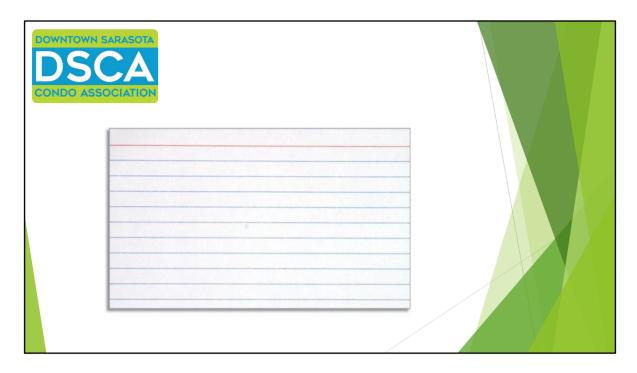


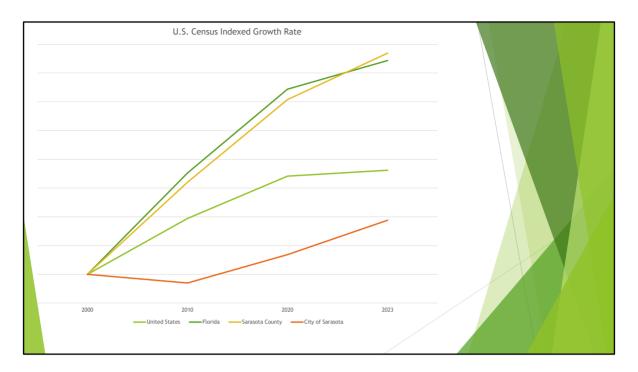
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Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024

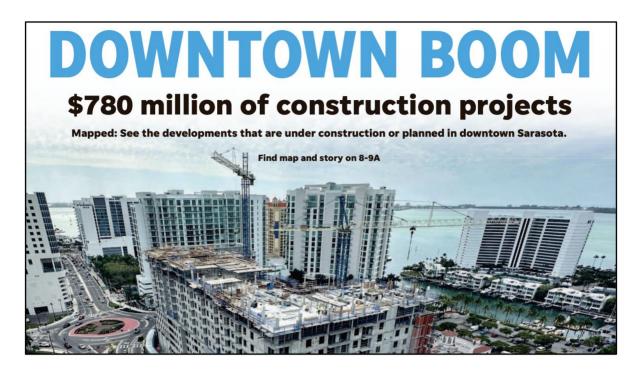


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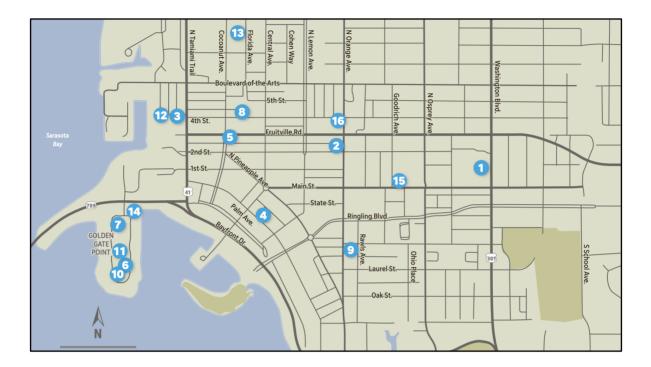


Front page news on Sunday

3000 or more people moving to downtown

We've been discovered

How to plan for this growth

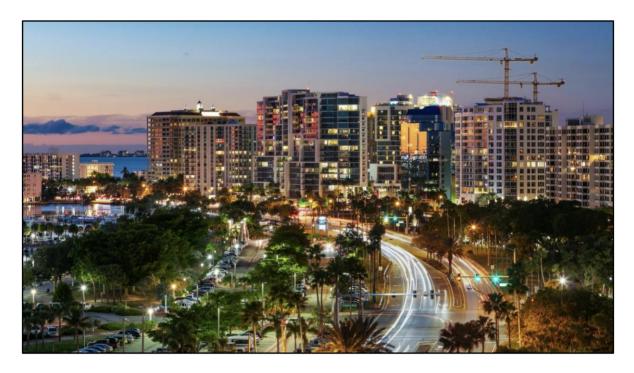




From a planning standpoint what do you see as the most important asset ..."best thing" about downtown Sarasota?

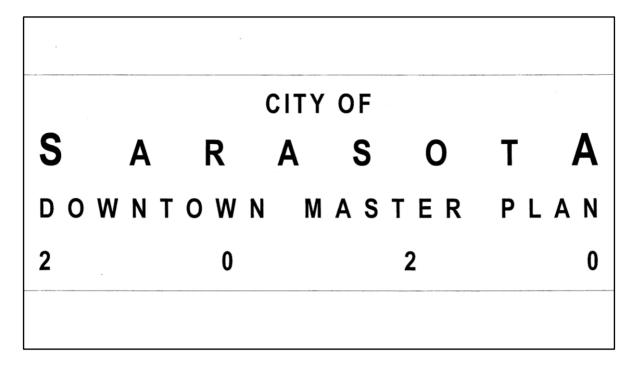


From a planning standpoint what have we gotten wrong, what's missing?



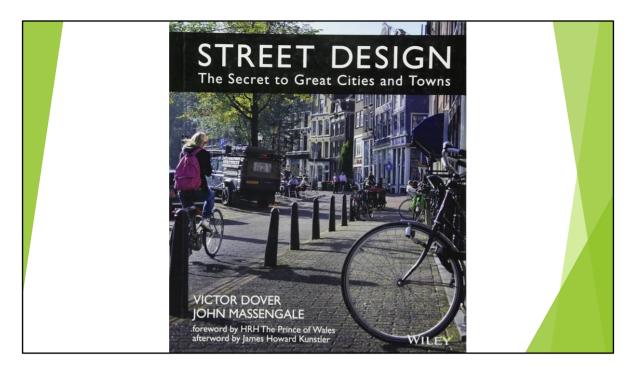
HOWARD DAVIS: You pulled together the recent speaker series exploring the evolution and future of downtown Sarasota ... in a brief description can you tell us what this was ... and what were the objectives?

We understand Architecture Sarasota is to be conducting a survey to gauge reaction to the series. What's the early feedback?



How did we get here?

HOWARD DAVIS



Great Cities are built around Great Streets ------ Victor Dover

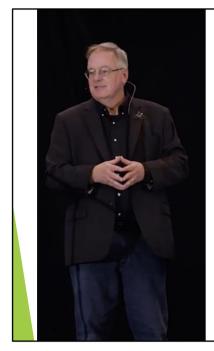


NIK PATEL: Can you briefly talk us through where things stand for concepts and planning for Main Street? We know there recently there is a survey underway...and, we know there is a plan for hands-on Community Visioning Workshop on April 2<sup>nd</sup>





Sidewalk width



"If they have to start with something really difficult, like an interstate, and all you have to worry about is Fruitville Road...you can do it." -Victor Dover

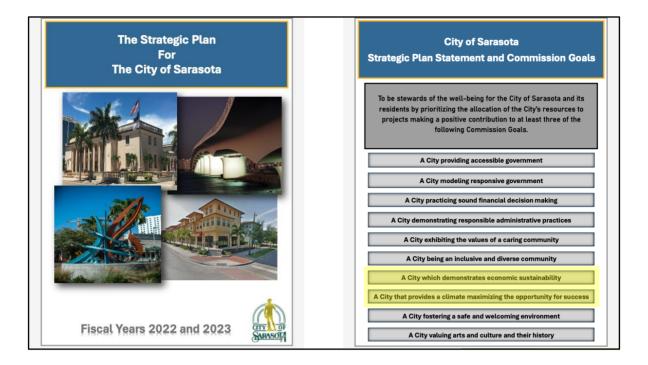
# NIK PATEL:

# Fruitville Road –

Urban planners.... Seemed to think Fruitville Road is both an issue and a major opportunity

New traffic study is underway

What can you tell us about this project, ... and how it may be seen in the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan under review now?



## What is City Planning Department doing on development of a strategic Economic Development Plan for the City

What are some of the key components you'd like to see considered in a economic strategic plan?

- goal of sustainability
- not having so many eggs in too few of baskets

Hospital, School system, government as biggest City of Sarasota employers



What should be some key elements of such an economic plan?

What can you tell us about the business communities' viewpoint on the streetscape plans for Main St, Blvd of the Arts, and Fruitville Road?

Recognizing the Chamber's significant advocacy for attainable housing, which is undoubtedly a critical need, I'm curious to learn about additional focal points in the Chamber's efforts to bolster downtown businesses and enhance economic vitality. Can you touch on some of these key initiatives?



LUCIA: roles, responsibilities, updates on Development Services



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### **HEADLINE RESIDENT CONCERNS**

• Staging Plans

Street/Sidewalk Closures

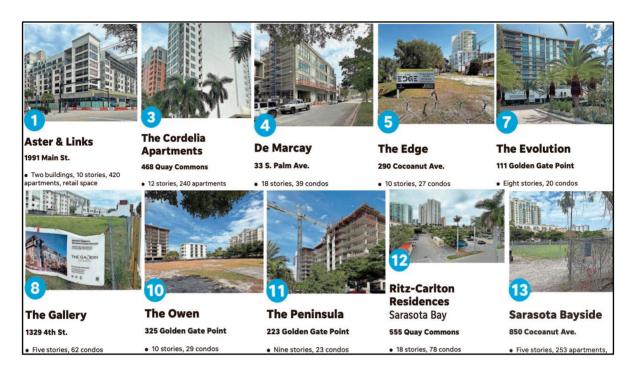
Noise

- Consistent/Effective Community Input & Engagement
  - Development Review Committee Process & Insight

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#### CRAIG: Buyers flocking here

What is driving all of the interest in Sarasota?

What are new downtown residents' expectations?

HEATHER: How is the business community reacting to and accommodating for the growth?

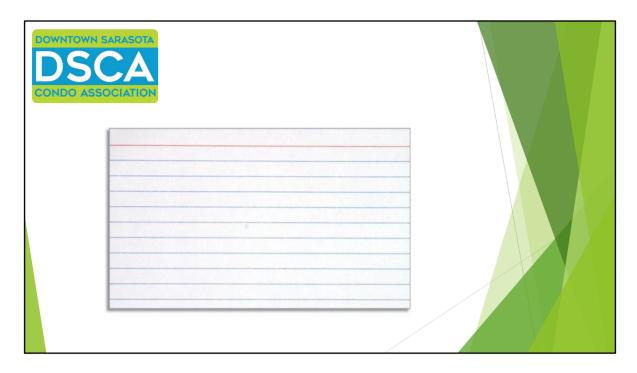


HOWARD: You organized the recent Architecture Sarasota speaker's series, "Downtown Sarasota: Hindsight, Insight, and Foresight". What are some of your key takeaways that affect residents in greater downtown Sarasota?

ALL: What are the risks



"You want to move at the speed of trust." -Mitchell Silver



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