1 Village of Lansing 2 **Planning Board Meeting** 3 Tuesday, January 27, 2015 4 5 6 7 The meeting of the Village of Lansing Planning Board was called to order at 7:03 PM by Chairman Mario 8 Tomei. 9 10 Present at the meeting were Planning Board Members: Deborah Dawson, Phil Dankert, Lisa Schleelein, and Maria Stycos; Alternate Member, John Gillott; Code Enforcement Officer, Marty Moseley; Village 11 12 Attorney, David Dubow; Eric Goetzmann of The Shops at Ithaca Mall. 13 14 Absent: Village Trustee Liaison, Lynn Leopold 15 **Public Comment Period** 16 17 Tomei opened the public comment period. With no one wishing to speak, Dawson moved to close the public comment period. Seconded by Schleelein. Ayes by Tomei, Dawson, Dankert, Schleelein, and 18 19 Stycos. 20 21 Shops at Ithaca Mall Signage 22 Consideration of DSW Shoe Store Sign 23 Tomei opened the discussion to consider the Sign Application submitted by The Shops at Ithaca Mall for 24 a new exterior sign for the Designer Shoe Warehouse (DSW) store opening on the south end of the mall. 25 Goetzmann presented the design plans and documentation for the sign. Because the proposed sign 26 exceeds 50 sf, the sign must be approved by the Planning Board. The 92.13 sf sign is part of the Planned 27 Sign Area of the mall and is within the maximum allowable sign area for the mall as a whole. 28 There was discussion as to the sign design, the lighting of the sign, and the hours of operation. It was 29 agreed that the hours would be consistent with the other stores and the sign would be compliant with the 30 31 NYS Energy Conservation Combining Code by having some sort of acceptable device to control the 32 hours of operation. 33 34 Dawson moved to accept the sign as planned with the condition that it would have a timer or other device 35 to control the hours of operation. Seconded by Dankert. Ayes by Tomei, Dawson, Dankert, Schleelein, 36 and Stycos. Nays none. 37 38 **Approval of Minutes** 39 None 40 41 **Trustee Report** 42 Stycos reported that the Trustee meeting of January 19, 2015 had been cancelled. 43 44 **Other Business** 45 Dawson reported on the progress of the Comprehensive Plan Committee. Three of the Committee members currently working on the document are Village Clerk Jodi Dake and Planning Board members 46 47 Deborah Dawson and Lisa Schleelein. The Committee has decided to change the format of the Plan 48 somewhat from the current plan modeling the new structure after the Town of Chili Comprehensive Plan that was recognized for excellence in 2014 at the NYS Planning Federation Annual Meeting. Dawson 49 50 indicated that the new Plan will be more general than the previous Plan. It was discussed that a 51 Comprehensive Plan should not be too detailed, but instead a more general guideline document. Dawson

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will be writing the Plan with input from the Plan Committee members and other Village officials. There was a brief discussion of some inconsistencies Dawson noted in some statistical information previously received and the fact that the most recent census data is already 5 years old. There was also discussion about the strong need for affordable and mixed housing in the Village. The Board thanked Dawson for her presentation and important work on the Comprehensive Plan.

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## **Adjournment**

Stycos moved to adjourn at 8:17PM. Seconded by Schleelein; Ayes by Tomei, Dawson, Dankert, Schleelein, and Stycos.

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