

A COMMUNITY FORUM:

Avondale's Opportunity: Creating a Great Downtown

Wednesday, October 7
The Avondale Community Club
7:00 - 9:00 pm

ALL ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

Join us for an informative evening with a panel of experts presenting recent trends, funding, and the economics of urban development and revitalization.

Our BOMC candidates will be present to share their visions for our downtown and participate in a moderated question-and-answer session, along with the experts.

Meet the experts:

Ken Bleakly is president of Bleakly Advisory Group, an Atlanta-based consulting firm that specializes in market and financial analysis, public finance and the implementation of public-private partnerships. Ken has assisted more than three dozen Georgia communities - including Avondale Estates - create tax allocation districts. Ken is an author and frequent speaker on urban and community development issues both regionally and nationally.

Pratt Cassity is Director of the Center for Community Design and Preservation in the College of Environmental Design at UGA. In addition to teaching, research and consulting, Pratt is one of the leaders of the Downtown Renaissance Partnership - a collaborative project of the CED, the Carl Vinson School of Government, the Georgia Municipal Association, and the Georgia Cities Foundation - that provides technical support to cities large and small seeking to revitalize their downtowns.

Jack Honderd is a developer with special expertise in mixed-use projects. His company, NewStreet Development, LLC, has developed award-winning projects in Brookhaven and, in our immediate neighborhood, at East Decatur Station. A future project under his guidance will be near Talley Street in Decatur.

David Deiters, moderator, has lived in Avondale for the past 25 years and recently retired as President of the North Highland Company, a global management consulting firm. His 33 year consulting career was highlighted by building collaborative solutions and valuing diverse perspectives.

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