State Theater among buildings on save list
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Project consultants for the development of the Orangeburg Railroad Corner recommend the city preserve the historic State Theater and locate new buildings at the corner while also adding new buildings in the downtown area to enhance the development potential of the site while preserving elements of the State Theater.

University of North Carolina Development Finance Initiative project manager Sonya Turner told City Council during a special meeting, “It makes preservation and new development work, it also provides opportunity to increase the density of the development with additional site acquisition.”

Turner said additional site acquisition does not occur, the city could still have a feasible development plan in place for the corner.

Turner said the mixed-use development concept is one the most approved through public, city engagement and compare analyst.

The redevelopment recommendation would cost a total of about $9.2 million with a municipal public investment of between $3.5 million and $5 million, said Turner.

Railroad Corner is bounded by Russell Street, Boulevard Street and Magnolia Street. The area is often touted by city officials as the gateway into the city and has long been a focus of redevelopment efforts.

Over the past four years, the city has purchased about 22 properties in the Railroad Corner to help lock down its area for revitalization. The city is exploring additional acquisitions.

Leon Jamison, a true cowboy complete with boots, spurs, hat and bolo tie with a tobacco pipe in his mouth sits atop Char, his bay Tennessee walking horse, in a parking lot off Chestnut Street in Orangeburg.

As Leon Jamison and his bay Tennessee walking horse, Char, took a rest in the parking lot between Chestnut Street on Friday, Oct. 29, several motorists did a double take slowly rolling by the cowboy on window of his gas-powered sedan.

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Modern-day cowboy

Salley native shares love of horse with Orangeburg.

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ABOVE: Leon Jamison, a true cowboy complete with boots, spur, hat and bolo tie with a tobacco pipe in his mouth sits atop Char. His bay Tennessee walking horse, in a parking lot off Chestnut Street in Orangeburg.

Below: Leon Jamison shares his love of horses with Gloria, a woman who had the courage to face her fear by getting up in the saddle.