

Partnership Grants In Town Revitalization

(Up to \$4,000) An Economic Development Committee Initiative

The purpose of this Grant is to assist small business (less than 3000 square feet) with the cost of revitalizing the semi-public space (property line to front building façade) where significant visual change in a building or property is proposed to enhance the district environment.

Terms and Conditions

- ⇒ Replacement of property elements with new and different materials. This change must be complimentary to the existing character of the surrounding business district and shall demonstrate a positive, noticeable change in appearance.
- ⇒ Replacement or repair with like materials is generally not applicable, unless it can be agreed that the repair will eliminate the appearance of a blighted property.
- ⇒ Elements applicable for the grant program shall include, but not limited to the following types of Improvements:
 - signs, lights, decorative banners, benches, site hardscape elements such as brick pavers or stone monuments, doors, shutters, new awnings, and permanent landscape treatments.
- ⇒ The grant may be made to match up to 50% of the cost of the improvement to a maximum of \$4,000 per site.

Application Procedure

- ⇒ The applicant shall complete the grant request form and attach any drawings, concepts or material pertinent to the application.
- ⇒ The applicant period shall be August through September 30, 2016.
- ⇒ The EDC shall make a motion to approve or deny the grant, and may impose any conditions necessary to ensure the intended outcome.
- ⇒ Staff shall review three quotations for each work item and request, and if the request is approved by the Committee, shall issue a letter of intent to pay the chosen contractor direct for services rendered. In the case of landowner or business owner labor involvement, only material costs shall be included for coverage.
- ⇒ The EDC shall render decisions in order to determine the merits and priorities of a greater number of applications.
- ⇒ Grants are determined on merit, not by order received. The program is valid while funding is available. Funds must be sent in the calendar year of approval.
- ⇒ Previous winners of the Town Revitalization Partnership Grant in 2015 are not eligible to apply, but will be eligible to reapply next year if program is offered in 2017.