

JOINT COM DEV & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES from MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2021 [meeting began at 6:15 P.M.]

CD PRESENT: Chair Callahan, Cerra, Oswald, Jessie, Mitchell

FINANCE PRESENT: Chair Stewart, Tollett, Baird, Jessie, Davis

OTHERS PRESENT: Law Dir Deery, Safety Service Dir Brubaker, Finance Dir Pileski, Asst Finance Dir Farrell, Asst Dir Calvert, Engineer Schneider, WWPC Superintendent Korzan, CD Manager Almabayyed, Water Dist Supt Rothgery, Sanitation Supt Eye, Fire Chief Pronesti, Councilperson Keys and Simmons

1. Approval of the SEPTEMBER 27th, 2021 JOINT Community Development / Finance Meeting Minutes.

Moved by Mr. Cerra, second by Mrs. Mitchell to approve the above meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

2. The matter of Downtown Facade Improvement Program and Redevelopment Program Applicants for 353, 355, 357, 359, and 361 Broad St.

REFERRED BY: Asst Dir of Economic Development Calvert

Director Calvert said Jamil Elder submitted 2 grant applications for these buildings on Broad Street. The first is the application is for a downtown facade improvement grant which is to improve the outside of these buildings. They want to replace windows on the second floor of the building. The cost for this project is \$43,095 and Mr. Elder is requesting reimbursement of \$10,000 through this grant program. The grant requirements have been met and the EEDC have recommended approval of this facade grant request portion of this request.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Motion was made by Mr. Cerra and second by Mrs. Mitchell to authorize the approval of the applicant for the Downtown Facade Improvement Program.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

FINANCE:

Motion was made by Mr. Baird and second by Mr. Tollett to authorize the approval of the applicant for the Downtown Facade Improvement Program.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

Director Calvert said the second request is for the Downtown Historic Redevelopment Program for 353, 355, 357, 359, and 361 Broad St. and this is the first qualified applicant for this program. This Downtown Historic Redevelopment Program was created earlier in 2021. Mr. Elder plans to complete interior renovations totaling \$160,000 and requested the \$50,000 grant. This was reviewed by the Elyria Landmarks Commission and they conducted an on-site visit on September 15th. The Commission recommended approval by the EEDC. And the EEDC approved this application on September 20th.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Motion was made by Mr. Cerra and second by Mrs. Mitchell to authorize the approval of the applicant for the Downtown Facade Improvement Program.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

FINANCE:

Motion was made by Mr. Baird and second by Mr. Tollett to authorize the approval of the applicant for the Downtown Facade Improvement Program.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

3. The matter of a Downtown Facade Improvement Program Applicant for 100 4th Street and the Waiver of Boundary Lines for this Applicant.

REFERRED BY: Asst Dir of Economic Development Calvert

Director Calvert said this application for the Facade Improvement Program came from Keith Black who is the owner of Espresso Bakery located at 100 4th St. Mr. Black is seeking this grant for exterior building improvements, including windows and doors.

The project cost is \$10,989 of which \$5,494 is eligible for reimbursement for the grant program. The EEDC reviewed this and approved the application.

A waiver was required since this location is right outside of the downtown boundary line.

The EEDC voted to waive that boundary requirement for this applicant.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Motion was made by Mrs. Mitchell and second by Mr. Cerra to authorize the approval of the applicant for the Downtown Facade Improvement Program and to waive the boundary requirement for this applicant.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

FINANCE:

Motion was made by Mr. Baird and second by Mr. Tollett to authorize the approval of the applicant for the Downtown Facade Improvement Program and to waive the boundary line requirement for this applicant.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

Mrs. Mitchell moved and second by Mr. Cerra to adjourn this evening's Community Development portion of the Meeting at 6:23 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED

[The evening's meetings continued with the Finance Committee Meeting].

Respectfully submitted by,

Colleen Rosado, Council Clerk Secretary

(Committee Meeting attended by Secretary Rosado ~ Minutes were transcribed by Secretary Rosado)