

**REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 17, 2018**  
**4:00 PM**  
**Town Council Chambers**

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**Members Present:**

Ted Johnson  
Matt Anderson  
Jason Brooks

**Members Absent:**

Erin Hill  
Heather Taylor

**Others Present:**

Pete Olson  
Erin Hurley  
Rich Lee  
Bruce McFarland

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Matt Anderson called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Matt Anderson, Jason Brooks, and Ted Johnson were present. Erin Hill and Heather Taylor were absent. Jason Brooks moved to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2018 meeting. Second by Matt Anderson. All members present voted Aye.

**Old Business:**

There was no old business.

**New Business:**

Facade Grant Application

Pete Olson presented an application from Amy & Jason Spangler for renovations to the Lois Pearl store located at 9127 W. Smith Street which would include new windows and landscaping. There was a discussion as to whether landscaping would qualify under the existing facade grant program. More detailed information is needed for the window installation proposal and what hardscaping is included in the landscape proposal. Jason Brooks suggested that we might look at developing a different program for beautification grants and Pete Olson stated that he would look into whether TIF dollars could be used for that type of program. The application was tabled until the next meeting.

Meeting Dates

Heather Taylor has a work conflict on the third Thursday of every month and has requested that the meeting dates be changed. After discussion it was decided to move the Redevelopment Commission meetings to the second Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be on June 14, 2018 at 4:00 pm.

**Public Comments:**

Bruce McFarland, 9414 W. Canal Street:

Mr. McFarland requested a cohesive look for downtown storefronts as well as signs in the downtown area. There was a discussion about the sign for the new St. Vincent's medical office.

Pete Olson announced the Architectural Review Board area which will be from West Street to Elm Street and from High Street to Canal Street.

Teresa Belt, 9405 Smith Street:

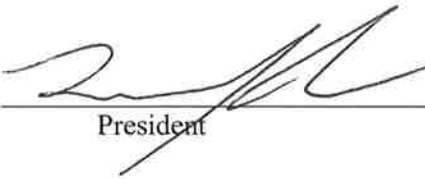
Ms. Belt stated that she is very concerned with the existing blight downtown and would like the proposed improvements to extend even further west than is currently planned.

Rich Lee, Town Council President, stated that he feels the façade grants should be only for permanent improvements. He also said that all utilities in the downtown redevelopment project will be buried and agrees with Mr. McFarland that improvements are needed to the sign ordinance and wants a cohesive look downtown. He discussed the composition of the members of the Architectural Review Board.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

The next regular Redevelopment Commission meeting is June 14, 2018 at 4:00 pm.

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Secretary

  
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President