

Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council - Revitalization of Historic Downtown Mansfield Sub-Committee

Thursday, July 14, 2022	3:30 PM	City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tonore called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Staff present: City Manager Joe Smolinski; Chief Financial Officer Troy Lestina; Historic Downtown Coordinator Nicolette Ricciuti; Executive Director of Economic Development Jason Moore; Assistant City Secretary Keera Seiger

Present 3 - Casey Lewis; Tamera Bounds and Todd Tonore

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Project Proposal from The Better Block Foundation

Historic Downtown Coordinator Nicolette Ricciuti presented The Better Block Foundation project proposal to the sub-committee, which included discussion on temporary pop-ups, semi-permanent projects, the benefits of the projects such as crime reduction and increased safety, and wikiblock and fabrication structures. Nicolette also spoke on The Better Block Foundation's impact, potential Mansfield projects, a project timeline, post-event, and budget. The sub-committee discussed various options and tying the project into an existing event.

Discussion of Facade Improvement Grant Program for Downtown

Nicolette next presented draft guidelines for a facade improvement grant program for downtown Mansfield and spoke on the selection of projects, eligible and ineligible projects, the existing Historic Landmark Commission Facade Improvement Grant Program, and examples of programs from other cities. The sub-committee discussed facade consistencies, awnings, eligible projects, and design standards. Nicolette answered various sub-committee questions.

RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Chair Tonore recessed the meeting into executive session at 4:24 p.m. Chair Tonore called the executive session to order at 4:27 p.m. Chair Tonore adjourned the executive session at 5:37 p.m.

Deliberation Regarding Commercial or Financial Information Received From or the Offer of Financial or Other Incentive Made to a Business Prospect Seeking to Locate, Stay or Expand in or Near the Territory of the City and with which the City is Conducting Economic Development Negotiations Pursuant to Section 551.087

Economic Development Project #21-09

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR BUSINESS SESSION

Chair Tonore reconvened the meeting into regular business session at 5:37 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Tonore adjourned the meeting at 5:37 p.m.

ATTEST:

Todd Tonore, Chair

Susana Marin, City Secretary