



MEMORANDUM

To: Tom Mattis, City Manager
From: Amy Miller, Community Development Director
Date: March 8, 2019
RE: Community Development Department Report February 2019

Affected property owner meetings were held for owners on FM 1100 with Texas Department of Transportation . Planning for website redesign with city departments. Held training for Civic Plus with city Departments. The Historic preservation strategic plan committee met to review local resources and developed a community survey to be implemented in the spring. The Main Street Board is planning Local Lore, Elgin's History Adventure, and the Elgin Art Studio Tour as well as entertainment and marketing for Sip Shop and Stroll. Historic Review board reviewed sign applications for 28 North Main Body and Shine Wellness, 26 North Main A Flower Connection And facade work for 19 North Main Street. The sign applications were compliant and were approved. The facade application for 19 north Main had three items approved that were compliant and one item the second floor replacement windows was denied because they are not architecturally compatible windows and they do not meet the design guidelines.

Projects

- Developed editorial plan for spring edition of Downtown 78621 with Chamber. Write associated articles and coordinates editing.
- Annual report for Certified Local Government program
- Black History month event, Hatitude was well attended.
- Planned Community Clean up Day for March.
- Attended Bastrop county day at the Texas legislature.
- Met with TxDOT regarding pedestrian safety on Main Street.
- Film Location scouting with Austin film commission and Bastrop county.
- Working with CARTs on downtown transit stop, lease agreement.
- Finalized plans for Local Lore Elgin's History Adventure.
- Review of the City website and plans for makeover in early 2019.
- Walk and Bike to School February – was extremely cold, volunteers and students came out anyway!
- Continued work on a CDBG Utility grant with the Utilities Department
- Investigated Transportation Alternatives and Safe routes to school grant funding call.

- Met with potential buyers and realtors for properties downtown.
- Met with property owners about renovation plans and possible tenants.
- Met with business owners seeking lease space.
- Providing support for Website updates
- City of Elgin E-News
- Social Media: Visit Elgin, Envision Elgin Instagram – visitelgintx

Boards & Committees, Seminars

CAMPO TAC , Advisory Committee
 Main Street Board
 Historic Review Board
 Promotion Tourism Committee
 Design Committee
 Business Retention Recruitment Committee
 District Advisory Committee EISD
 School Health Advisory Committee
 Clean Air Coalition Advisory Committee meeting
 Regional Arterials Steering committee for CAMPO

Upcoming Events

Sip Shop & Stroll every 2nd Thursday
 March 2nd Community Clean-up Day
 Fridays in April -Music in the Park
 April 13th- Local Lore
 April 13th-14th Pearls of Youth Art Show
 April 20th- Community Easter Egg Hunt

Elgin Main Street Program

VISION STATEMENT: We envision a revitalized and active historic downtown destination with warm hearted friendly people and vital businesses, where ethnic and cultural diversity are celebrated.

MISSION STATEMENT: We will enhance downtown vibrancy through historic preservation and mixed use and pedestrian friendly development, by strategically implementing the National Main Street Four Point Approach of: Design, Organization, Promotion and Economic Restructuring

CORE VALUES (if you have done this): Through a strong belief that historic preservation of our irreplaceable cultural resources in the historic downtown district is vital to the revitalization and economic success of our community, we are committed to supporting responsible repurposing of historic structures and new construction that supports mixed use development through partnerships and a persistent effort to support community focused development and promotions.