

AGENDA

CITY OF BESSEMER DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Regular meeting of the City of Bessemer Downtown Development Authority to be held in the DDA office, City Hall, on Thursday, May 15th, 2020, at 4:00 p.m.

Due to the Coronavirus and the CDC's recommendation to limit groups over 10 people, the City of Bessemer will have a virtual meeting.

- All residents may call in and/ or email questions, complaints, and comments to Charly.loper@bessemermi.org.
- If you have any issues with attending the meeting virtually due to ADA difficulties, please contact Jim Trudgeon at james.trudgeon@bessemermi.org or 906-667-0333 48 hours before the meeting. Individuals can call 711 for relay support.
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BOARD MEMBERS: Zak, Osier, Whitburn, Leskoviansky, Filippini, Bjorkquist, Olsen, Meinke

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

BUSINESS ITEMS:

- 1) **Training**
- 2) **Financials**
- 3) **Capital Improvement Plan/ General Discussion of how to prioritize funding**
 - A) **Coronavirus**
 - B) **PopUp's**
 - C) **2021 Project**
 - D) **Flowers**
 - E) **Banners/ hardware**
- 4) **PopUp Shop Funding**
 - A) **Range Medical Massage**
 - B) **Round 2 Salon**
- 5) **Façade Funding (none)**

Item	Description	Responsible Individual	Action Steps
Wayfinding on US-2	MDOT agreed to put 2 signs indicating downtown in return for removing blinking light	Charly	
Christmas lights			
Broadband in Downtown	Am waiting for quotes	Charly	
Marketing Grant Opportunity	Do we want to continue this? Honestly I feel that right now most of my job is social media.		
Co-working Spaces Downtown/ Expanding PopUp Shop Program	library grant is canceled		
Parking Lot	Kevin Kimball is concerned about splitting up parcel but open to a discussion. Our assessor values		

	downtown land at \$45/ linear foot. The parking lot is about 60'x180' so 60'*\$45 = \$2,700. This is for the whole lot and doesn't include asphalt.		
Ethnic Commons access	Done, needs restoration. Contacted Durkee. Everything has been on pause with virus		
Welcome Signs	Doug Kikkebusch is requesting an extension and \$3,500 in additional funds up front due to the virus. He intends to join us on the call.		
Meetings for state requirements			
2021 Project	Discuss if we want stamped concrete in bulbouts at corners. Stamped concrete between road and sidewalk isn't likely unless we pay for it ourselves. The south most block of Sophie St has been removed from the project scope. Do we want to explore restoration or other grant funding for this? Should we look at redoing the electrical for the lights during this time.		
Hotel Project	I have had a couple of developers potentially interested. They may be coming forward to ask for TIF assistance. This has been on pause during the virus		
Flowers			
Banners	The School is putting up banners for graduating seniors. They have requested that we replace the broken hardware. If we are intending to replace our old banners, we would need to do this anyway.		

- 6) **Historical Society Lease**
- 7) **2020/21 budget**
- 8) **Public comment**

ADJOURN Next Meeting: Thursday, June 11th at 4:00. Will be video conference again.