

Community Development/Economic Development Staff Recommendation

Program: Façade Improvement Program

Application Number: FI-1 AMENDMENT to FI-1 agreement

Property: 24 1st Street NE

Owners: Auslander, LLC, Chad and Angie Thompson, Andrew and McKenna Gudmunson

Application: APPROVED application RenZone (Sept 23, 2021) and City Council (Nov. 1, 2021) to be modified in dollar amount from \$78,072 to \$180,000 and the scope of work to be performed from the West façade facing First Street NE, to the South facing façade.

Appropriate efforts/work: Yes. The city will get two facades updated rather than one. The project will expand the work to be performed on approved application FI-1.

It should be noted that this will be treated as a corner property with a similar façade facing the applicant will complete the façade facing First Street, NE. The owner is completing that west façade work at their own expense and will screen a bank of electrical meters. Most of the siding behind the meters will be retained but painted to blend in with the building in addition to screening

Historic facade renovation: Time-Period appropriate work is contemplated, mostly windows and doors.

Code appropriate entrance doors will replace older entrances and create some new ones in old, covered openings. Some repair to stone and brick masonry will be required. The upper floor will receive replacement period-appropriate windows. All replacement glazing is low-E.

There is a special circumstance for this south façade caused by a large number of electric meters. Since they must be mounted on an exterior wall, there is not a practical place to relocate them. The applicant has suggested trees for screening

Low bid: ROLAC company was the one who provided the low bid but will expand upon on existing contract for work already started on the other, west façade.

Eligible Match: This is a double façade. Total Cost \$258,485. 75% = \$193,864 (Above Maximum)
Maximum- Up to 75% of total = \$180,000 Subject to 25% (or more) Owner match
Increases the original amount approved by \$101,928.

Possible Motions: Table for more information, Deny, or recommend approval to City Council.

Suggested motion for approval:

To recommend approval of an Amendment to Façade Improvement application FI-1 by the Minot City Council by Auslander, LLC for the south facade of the property located at 24 First Street NE in the total amount of a forgivable loan not to exceed \$180,000.00 subject to conditions set forth in the program providing that the company enter into an agreement to protect the view of the south-facing façade and properly screen a bank of electrical meters for the life of the loan agreement.

Request for Delay: Extension.