

CITY OF SEGUIN

TO: City Council

FROM: Blaire Friar, Director of Main Street & Destination Seguin

DATE: January 6, 2026

SUBJECT: FY2026 "Fix-It" Façade Grants



It's real.

Historical Background

Seguin Main Street released the FY2026 "Fix-It" Façade grant application in October 2025 with applications due Monday, December 2, 2025. Façade grants can be used for any exterior improvements and repairs to properties within the downtown historic district. The grants reimburse up to 50%, or a maximum of \$10,000, of a project. Four applications were received this grant cycle.

Action Requested

At the December 15 Main Street Advisory Board meeting, the Board reviewed the applications and recommended funding the following projects:

- **203 S. Crockett Street – The Magnolia Hotel**
Reconstruct the building's original second-floor wood balcony on the primary façade using historically appropriate materials and profiles documented by archival photographs.
The Board recommends a 50% grant, not to exceed \$10,000.
- **100 S. Austin Street – Robert Raetzsch Attorney**
Repair and replace existing frames and windows above the awning.
The Board recommends a 50% grant, not to exceed \$3,400.
- **314 S. Austin Street – The Palace Theatre**
Cleaning and repainting the façade, repairing the cracked glass door, and possibly re-tiling the entryway.
The Board recommends a 50% grant, not to exceed \$10,000.

The total allocated for this grant cycle is \$23,400. A second call for projects will be released to award the remaining funds.

Procurement Methodology

No procurement required.

Funding Source

The Main Street program has \$35,000 allocated this year thanks to Council including the funding in the FY2026 budget.

Staff Recommendation

Staff and the Main Street Advisory Board recommend approval.

Attachments

Resolution

2026 "Fix-It" Façade Grant Summary