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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council Members
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Through: Rick Cortes
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Subject: FY2015 “FIX-IT” Façade Grant Requests

Date: February 24, 2015

The “FIX-IT” Façade Program reimburses downtown property owners up to 50% of project costs for improvements to the exterior of their properties. Total funding for the program in FY2015 is \$28,495.84, with the majority of the funding, \$25,000, coming from the Hotel Occupancy Tax to promote historic preservation. A FY2014 project came in under budget and the \$3,495.84 was added to FY2015 funds to be allocated.

On February 23, 2015, the Seguin Main Street Advisory Board voted to approve four “FIX-IT” Façade grant requests. There were five complete applications received totaling \$168,408.00 in projects and \$80,704 in grant requests. The Main Street Advisory Board voted to fund the following four requests as follows:

Project	Description	Total Project Cost	Recommended Reimbursement	Percent of Total Project Cost
Park Plaza Hotel	Painting and caulking of all windows, pressure washing, and mortar work	\$58,485.00	\$5,848.50	10%
Sleep Shop	Remove façade, expose windows, roof repairs	\$67,848.00	\$13,569.60	20%
Magnolia Hotel	Repairs and painting of the original structure	\$10,000.00	\$4,000.00	40%
Seguin Art League	Cleaning and painting façade, repair of transom windows	\$11,075.00	\$4,430.00	40%

The fifth application that was not recommended for funding was an application to construct parking lots in the 200 block of East Court. The Board felt that the available funds would serve a greater purpose in preserving and repurposing the four buildings.

The total allocated in this round of funding totals \$27,848.10, leaving an additional \$647.74 that can be allocated for a future project. The Main Street Advisory Board and staff respectfully request approval.