



**Main Street
Advisory Board
Regular
Meeting
July 27, 2020**



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**MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 27, 2020 AT 12:00 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL,
100 SOUTH MONROE STREET,
EAGLE PASS, MAVERICK COUNTY, TEXAS 78852**

PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.122 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE AND THE DECLARATION BY GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT ON MARCH 16, 2020, THIS MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAGLE PASS, TEXAS SHALL BE OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC VIA THE FOLLOWING FREE-OF-CHARGE VIDEOCONFERENCE LINK: <https://www.facebook.com/OfficialCityEaglePassTexas> AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE AGENDA PACKET FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD IS ALREADY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT THE FOLLOWING URL: <https://www.eaglepasstx.us/AgendaCenter>. IN LIGHT OF THE ONGOING NATIONAL EMERGENCY AND URGENT THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE ENCOURAGED TO FOLLOW THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF GOVERNMENT LEADERS AND THE CDC REGARDING SOCIAL DISTANCING AND SELF-QUARANTINE.

IF YOU ARE A CITIZEN WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS, PLEASE CALL ON Monday July 27, 2020 FROM 9:00 PM TO 11:30 PM AT 830-773-1111 OR SEND EMAIL TO irodriguez@eaglepasstx.us

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY APPOINTED MEMBERS

1. Selection of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

MINUTES

2. Approval of the minutes for November 1, 2019 and June 29, 2020.

WORKSHOP

3. Overview on the Main Street Program (new board member training).

NEW BUSINESS

5. Discussion and possible action on a façade grant application submitted by Abraham Nunez for store front improvements located at 480 Main Street.

ADJOURNMENT

The Main Street Advisory Board reserves the right to consider business out of the posted order and the right to adjourn into executive session to discuss items which are not listed as executive session items, but which qualify to be discussed in closed session under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

Entrance and parking spaces for disabled persons are available in front of City Hall

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned City Secretary, do hereby certify that the agenda mentioned above was posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Lobby at City Hall, 100 South Monroe Street, Eagle Pass, Texas, on Friday, July 24, 2020, at 9:30 a.m.

Imelda B. Rodriguez, City Secretary

Item

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THE STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF MAVERICK)
CITY OF EAGLE PASS)

The Main Street Advisory Board of the City of Eagle Pass held a Special Meeting on Friday, November 1, 2019, at 12:00 p.m. in the City Manager’s Conference Room, City Hall, 100 S. Monroe Street, Eagle Pass, Texas. All legal notices were duly posted in accordance with the law.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Present: Chairperson, Edna Graf; Vice Chairperson, Margil Lopez Board Members: Diana Sandoval and Paco Mondragon

Absent: Board Members, Kristina Ortiz, Elsa Villalpando, and Ex-Officio Member, Mayor Ramsey English Cantu

Staff present: Main Street Manager, Joe Cruz; Economic Development Director, Arturo Marquez; and Records Management Specialist, Ita A. Cortinas

A quorum being established, Chairperson Graf conduct the meeting, and proceeded to call the meeting to order and considered the items as followings.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone in the room.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

Anyone in the audience wishing to address the Board on any item, including one which did not appear on the agenda, was welcome to do so, keeping in mind that, although the Board would be unable to take formal action on such item, they would be glad to take it under advisement.

There were not any Citizens Communications forms submitted.

MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes for the August 6, 2019.

Motion: To approve the minutes of August 6, 2019, as presented.
Moved: Mondragon
Second: Lopez
Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0

Absent: Ortiz, Villalpando, and English Cantu

NEW BUSINESS

2. Discussion and possible action on a façade grant application submitted by Cynthia Villarreal for a property located at 398 Main Street.

Main Street Manager, Joe Cruz gave a presentation on the details of the application and recommends the approval of the application.

Motion: To approve the application submitted by Cynthia Villarreal.

Moved: Mondragon

Second: Sandoval

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: Ortiz, Villalpando, and English Cantu

3. Discussion and possible action on a façade grant application submitted by German Valdez for a property located at 180 Main Street.

Main Street Manager Cruz gave a presentation on the details of the application and recommends the approval of the application.

Motion: To approve the application submitted German Valdez.

Moved: Lopez

Second: Mondragon

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: Ortiz, Villalpando, and English Cantu

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn meeting at 1:10 p.m.

Moved: Sandoval

Second: Lopez

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: Ortiz, Villalpando, and English Cantu

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ATTEST:

Edna Graf
Chairperson

Ita A. Cortinas
Records Management Specialist

THE STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF MAVERICK)
CITY OF EAGLE PASS)

The Main Street Advisory Board of the City of Eagle Pass held a Special Meeting on Monday, June 29, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. in the City Manager’s Conference Room, City Hall, 100 S. Monroe Street, Eagle Pass, Texas. All legal notices were duly posted in accordance with the law. (via GoToMeeting)

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Present: Chairperson, Edna Graf; Vice-Chairperson, Margil Lopez; Board Members Elsa Villalpando, and Kristina Ortiz.

Absent: Board Members, Diana Sandoval and Paco Mondragon, and Ex-Officio Member, Mayor Luis E. Sifuentes.

Staff present: Economic Development Director, Arturo Marquez; Main Street Manager, Joe Cruz and City Secretary, Imelda B. Rodriguez.

A quorum being established, Chairperson Graf conduct the meeting, and proceeded to call the meeting to order and considered the items as followings.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone in the room.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

Anyone in the audience wishing to address the Board on any item, including one which did not appear on the agenda, was welcome to do so, keeping in mind that, although the Board would be unable to take formal action on such item, they would be glad to take it under advisement. City Secretary, Imelda B. Rodriguez informed the Board there were no Citizens Communications submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action on a Certificate of Appropriateness Application by Scott King for 165 Jefferson Street.

Economic Development Director, Arturo Marquez gave a presentation on the details of the application stating this is the old Piedras Negras Grocery Store, he presented the Board with a layout of the intended outlook of the project. He then briefed the Board on the historic outlay of the downtown area and the history of this building being within the 50-year threshold.

Chairperson Graf asked if Mr. King is doing the remodeling or the Rodriguez Family. Mr. Marquez stated that the Rodriguez Family is leasing the property and GCAM Plasma is doing the renovation and Mr. Fisher is the contractor for this project.

Board Member Villalpando stated this is great and likes that there will be movement at this location.

Mr. Marquez informed the Board that the applicant has already submitted all the plans to the Planning Department and very well ahead, but before they can continue, they need to make sure the Main Street Advisory Board does approve.

Vice-Chairperson Lopez stated that this is a vast improvement to the building itself and this is great. Board Member Ortiz concurs and asked if this location is an addition to current plasma place downtown or is this subbing it. Mr. Marquez stated this is going to be an addition, but he will confirm this information.

Main Street Manager, Joe Cruz than gave his point of view for this building being vacant and for the need to fill in this building. He gave his input regarding the historic point of view and Mr. Marquez referenced the 50-year threshold.

Motion: To approve Certificate of Appropriateness Application by Scott King.
Moved: Villalpando
Second: Lopez
Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: Sandoval, Mondragon and Sifuentes

Chairperson Graf then stated that moving forward the Board needs to meet on a regular basis even if we do not have anything to approve, we must touch base on what is going on in the downtown area. She stated that she also relocated to the downtown area and briefed the Board on the movement in this area. Mr. Marquez concurred.

2. Discussion and possible action on functions for the Main Street Advisory Board.

Economic Development Director Marquez informed the Board that there is a substantial change in the downtown area and the Main Street Advisory Board can be more involved in the development of this and assist in making this development happen. He briefed on grants that were submitted for sidewalks, and murals, etc.; and, ideas on how-to priorities projects and allocate different resources. Mr. Marquez stated he wants the Boards services to expand and be more specific in terms of projects for the downtown area.

Chairperson Graf then asked what action is the Board to vote on today, Mr. Marquez stated the Board does not have to take action, they can give a directive to develop a list of properties. Mr.

Marquez states this way we can disseminate back to the Board and discuss this and the Board and take action in the future.

Main Street Manager Cruz then stated that at the moment it's hard to come together, but we actually need to do a workshop since its really hard to come up with ideas of what it is the Main Street Board wants to function on. He stated we should pick a few items and work on these and concurs with Chairwoman Graf to meet every month and be more proactive.

Mr. Marquez then recommends to the Board they would create a list of priorities for the next meeting and present what options they have in mind for the downtown as a whole.

Chairperson Graf recommends meeting on every 3rd Monday of the Month.

Motion: To meet on July 20, 2020 at 2:00 PM.
Moved: Villalpando
Second: Lopez
Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: Sandoval, Mondragon and Sifuentes

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn meeting at 2:35 p.m.
Moved: Sandoval
Second: Lopez
Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: Sandoval, Mondragon and Sifuentes

ATTEST:

Edna Graf
Chairperson

Imelda B. Rodriguez
City Secretary