

Minutes

**Monroe Downtown Development Authority
Special Meeting
Wednesday, July 22, 2020
Via Zoom**

Chairperson Tony Trujillo called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

1. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Robert Clark, Scott Kegerreis, Deb Staelgraeve, Tiffany Harper and Anthony Trujillo
Excused: Mackenzie Swanson and Les Lukacs
Staff: Michelle LaVoy, Clerk-Treasurer
Annette Knowles, Downtown/Economic Development Coordinator

2. Public Comment

Azia Hawthorne commented that she appreciated the DDA posting zoom link on the website and hosting this as a zoom meeting.

Chris Bica thanked DDA for approval.

Azia Hawthorne thanked DDA for extending patio. Would like DDA to do something with the façade of Monroe Optical.

Cole Beehn thanked the board for all the work they have done and inquired if the DDA has any incentives to fill storefronts as well as promote women businesses, minority businesses, LGBTQ to promote diversity in Monroe.

Annette discussed incentives to improve buildings and refer business owners to resources that our partners may offer and willing to discuss this with Cole outside the meeting.

3. Consideration of Outdoor Pedestrian Walkway (Pedlet)

Presentation made by Marc Russell for pedlet walkway in front of 39 South Monroe Street.

Motion by Staelgraeve seconded by Kegerreis to Approve the conceptual plan for a pedestrian walkway, or pedlet, in front of 39 South Monroe Street in accordance with discussion from the July 17 work session conducted as a response to the resolution authorizing expenditure approved at the July 15 regular meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

4. Adjournment

Motion by Mayor Clark seconded by Deb Staelgraeve to adjourn at 8:59 a.m. ***Motion carried unanimously.***