



## MEMORANDUM

To: Tom Mattis, City Manager  
From: Amy Miller, Community Development Director  
Date: February 13, 2019  
RE: Community Development Department Report January 2019

Property owners directly affected by the proposed alignment of an expanded FM 1100 met with TXDOT and City officials. An Open house is being planned for late spring with TXDOT. Main Street adopted a public art plan at their meeting. The Historic Review board received preliminary plans for the restoration of 110 South Main Street, 10,000 sq. ft. structure to include commercial space and loft apartments; and a preliminary application for window replacement 19 North Main street, a 6,000 sq. ft structure to have loft apartments and Joseph's steakhouse. Held board member trainings for new appointees to Main Street Board and Historic Review Board. Working with volunteers to plan Local Lore Elgin's History Adventure with the Elgin Historical Association and The Elgin Art Studio Tour with local art studios and the Elgin Arts Association. Coordinating website training and the overall redo of the elgintx.com website.

### Projects

- Met with Austin realtors and developers for January 2019.
- Held reception with Sip Shop & Stroll to Recognize the TDA award winner Best Economic Game Changer Downtown Elgin Zoning Overlay and the Business finalist Body & Shine
- Held Community Blood Drive with 21 successful donations.
- Business Retention and Expansion meetings with EDC and Chamber
- Finalized plans for Black History month event, Hatitude.
- Discussion of possible Pop up Park event with Parks Department for spring event in 200 block Depot Street.
- Held a group meeting with TXDOT and property owners about FM 1100.
- Planning for 2019 Events calendar.
- Review of the City website and plans for makeover in early 2019. Setting up training for city staff on website updates.
- Organized Walk and Bike to School for January through May 2019.
- Continued work on a CDBG Utility grant with the Utilities Department
- Met with potential buyers and realtors for properties downtown.

- Met with property owners about renovation plans and possible tenants.
- Met with business owners seeking lease space.
- Providing support for Website updates
- City of Elgin E-News
- Social Media: Visit Elgin, Envision Elgin Instagram – visitelgintx

### **Boards & Committees, Seminars**

CAMPO TAC , Advisory Committee

Main Street Board

Historic Review Board

Promotion Tourism Committee

Design Committee

Business Retention Recruitment Committee

District Advisory Committee EISD

School Health Advisory Committee

Clean Air Coalition Advisory Committee meeting

Regional Arterials Steering committee for CAMPO

### **Upcoming Events**

Hatitude, Black History Month celebration February 2

Sip Shop Stroll February 14

Elgin Main Street Program

**VISION STATEMENT:** We envision a revitalized and active historic downtown destination with warm hearted friendly people and vital businesses, where ethnic and cultural diversity are celebrated.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** We will enhance downtown vibrancy through historic preservation and mixed use and pedestrian friendly development, by strategically implementing the National Main Street Four Point Approach of: Design, Organization, Promotion and Economic Restructuring

**CORE VALUES** (if you have done this): Through a strong belief that historic preservation of our irreplaceable cultural resources in the historic downtown district is vital to the revitalization and economic success of our community, we are committed to supporting responsible repurposing of historic structures and new construction that supports mixed use development through partnerships and a persistent effort to support community focused development and promotions.