

GARDINER CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA SUPPLEMENT

Item Number:
Agenda Topic: Façade Challenge Grant Awards – Round 2
For Agenda of: November 6, 2003
Date Submitted: October 30, 2003
City Dept.: Economic & Community Development
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Exhibits Attached: Communication Letter From Gardiner Main Street, Award Spreadsheet

Expenditure Required: \$80,000
Available Appropriation: \$80,000
Amount to be Budgeted: \$

Summary

The time has come to make the second round of façade grant awards as part of our ongoing Downtown Revitalization Project. Gardiner Main Street's Design Committee has spent many months reviewing and prioritizing projects. Attached is the list of proposed award recipients, along with the building, project estimates, and grant amount. In this round, we received \$130,000 worth of grant applications for more \$350,000 of work. We have \$80,000 budgeted for this task. Gardiner Main Street has done an excellent job to prioritize projects and submit the request within budget. This round concentrated on aesthetic improvements such as signs, awnings, and window treatments. See Linda Matychowiak's letter for more detail.

The Gardiner Main Street Board of Directors and Design Committee fully and unanimously supports this recommendation.

Intended Action

Award grants as recommended. Members of Gardiner Main Street's Board of Directors and Design Committee will be on hand to answer questions and explain how the committee developed the recommendations.