

Meeting Minutes – October 17, 2024

Tooele City Hall – Small Conference Room

1. 4:00 PM - Roll Call

- a. Present: Heather Hooper, Allison Dunn, Jon Gossett, Wayne Anderton, Ed Hansen (City Council Representative), John Perez (City Staff).

2. Overview of Purpose and Delineation from Downtown Alliance:

- a. The current Downtown Alliance is a 501(c)(3) run by a separate entity. The Historic Main Street Commission is City run and was the original Downtown Alliance but was rebranded for clarity and legal purposes.
- b. Vision for the Historic Main Street Area
 - i. Former Broadway Hotel Site
 1. In the process of being acquired by the City. Working on an assessment and cleanup grant for the property. After clean up, RFPs would be sent out to developers for the construction of a new building.
 2. Mayor and Council have considered a Mixed-Use concept. Commercial, residential, government subsidized housing.
 3. Mom & Pop shops, Restaurants/Food Trucks, Churches, Whole Foods/Organic Stores/Trader Joes. Ultimately, the area needs to have a business, something popular, to draw people to the area.

3. Review and Discuss the Main Street Plan

- a. Collaboration with UDOT, the City, and Downtown Alliance.
- b. Good starting point for understanding different aspects of the area: active transportation, development, vision, etc.
- c. Example: Wayfinding signs are in the process of being made to be placed in the Historic Main Street area.
 - i. More parking.
 1. Move the bell at Veterans Park further into the park and use the original space for more parking.
 2. Highlight trails
 - ii. Review the Main Street Plan before the next meeting.
(<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/hyn7sxpypoaewcnt0chna8/Tooele-Main-Street-DRAFT-031124.pdf?rlkey=qem2my5zv3lcdjbifyud0z37j&e=1&dl=0>)

4. Overview of Main Street America Accreditation

- a. Tier 2.
- b. Main benefit is the support system.
- c. Smaller grants available for certain events and activities.
- d. Possible Activities:

- i. Main goal should be bringing people to the Historic Main Street Area. Bringing in vendors decreases business and can draw people away from the area.
- ii. Restrooms are a concern. There are few restrooms available for use in the area.
 - 1. Portland Loo – Quick fix for a bathroom problem. Automatically lock and come assembled. Solar or non-solar. Need access to the sewer. Customizable outside. Could be a solution to bathrooms at the Veterans Park.

5. Additional Discussion:

- a. Buffalo Arts Initiative Funding
 - i. Using for the Historic Main Street Area.
 - ii. Would like to use the funds to paint the light poles in the area.
 - iii. John will look into current Buffalo funds and cost of painting the light poles. Discuss with Shilo and the Mayor.
- b. Historic Main Commission Events
 - i. Commission can host events. Main goal is to bring people to the area.
 - ii. Ghost Hunters
- c. Zoning Overlay
 - i. John will discuss with Community Development about the possibility of a zoning overlay to prevent more religious centers from settling in the Historic Main Street area.

6. 4:53 PM - Adjourn