



MEMORANDUM

TO: Angela Threadgill, Planning and Economic Development Director

FROM: Shirley Baylis, Business Development Manager

DATE: May 9, 2024

RE: Awards of Commercial Buildout Improvement Grants

The purpose of the memorandum is to present a recommendation of approval from the Grant Review Committee for the awards of eight (8) grants related to the Commercial Buildout Improvement Grant (CBIG) program. The Decatur Development Authority appropriated \$75,000 for the program in its FY 2023-2024 budget in support of City of Decatur retail small business owners and commercial property owners for renovations and repairs to commercial interiors. This is the second round of the grant program. Of the 11 applications received, the following 8 submissions are recommended for approval by the review committee totaling \$61,832.00.

When combined with the first round of 3 approved grants, a total of \$74,982.00 would be expended from the program budget.

Staff also recommends a condition that prior to any issuance of grant funds is contingent upon all licenses, fees and taxes being paid in full to the City of Decatur.

Approval Recommendations

Southern Delight d/b/a Pastries A GoGo

235 W. Ponce de Leon Place, Ste. E & F

Project: Replacement and repair of plumbing throughout and a fire alarm extinguisher system replacement due to the manufacturer discontinuing the control panel for the system.

Requested Amount: \$10,000.00

Recommended Amount: \$10,000.00

Bistro Associates, Inc. d/b/a Café Lily

308-B W. Ponce de Leon Avenue

Project: Replace hung ceiling in the kitchen area, and strip and paint railings on the patio.

Requested Amount: \$1,065.00

Recommended Amount: \$798.75

JC Scott Enterprises d/b/a Parker's On Ponce

116 E. Ponce de Leon Avenue
Project: Replacement of HVAC units.
Requested Amount: \$8,922.25
Recommended Amount: \$8,922.25

Espinaler, USA, d/b/a BOH0115

115 Sycamore Street
Project: Replacing flooring.
Requested Amount: \$10,000.00
Recommended Amount: \$8,861.00

London Bridges Academy of Excellence, LLC

431 W. Ponce de Leon Avenue, Ste. 7
Project: Building out second space in the building to add more space for more students to attend the academy.
Requested Amount: \$10,000.00
Recommended Amount: \$8,250.00

Siam Thai Restaurant

125 Sycamore Street
Project: Replacement of AC unit for the restaurant.
Requested Amount: \$10,000.00
Recommended Amount: \$10,000.00

Castellucci Hospitality Group d/b/a Iberian Pig

121 Sycamore Street
Project: New millwork, new bar top surface. New flooring and sub-flooring.
Requested Amount: \$10,000.00
Recommended Amount: \$7,500.00

Spot for Dogs

318 E. Howard Avenue
Project: Ceiling repairs.
Requested Amount: \$10,000.00
Recommended Amount: \$7,500.00