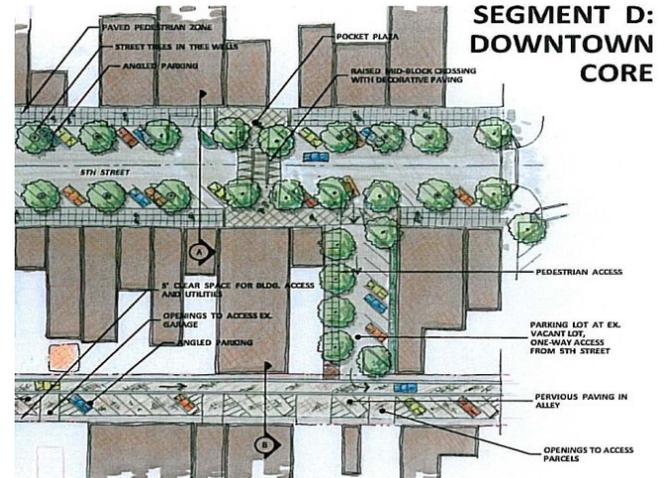


Request: \$4 million to revitalize Gustine’s Main Street through a variety of infrastructure upgrades to increase economic prosperity.

Description: The Gustine Downtown Revitalization Project will provide much needed infrastructure upgrades to “Main Street” (5th Street) Gustine. The project would revitalize the downtown core through increased walkability, accessibility (including ADA improvements) and aesthetic desirability. The project will increase commercial occupancy rates and provide increased foot traffic for local businesses.



Project Elements (\$4 million)

- Full streetscape replacements between buildings including roadway and sidewalk.
- Intersection bulb outs (includes curb, sidewalk and landscaping within intersection limits).
- Raised plaza at intersection with decorative paving.
- Provide raised mid-block crossings with decorative pavers or paving.
- Conversion of portions of adjacent alleyways to a “green” alleyway with angled parking and porous paving.
- Addition of a parking lot for increased public parking in the downtown.
- New sidewalk, street trees and landscaping.
- Downtown sidewalk extension to make sidewalk appear uniform between Downtown Core, and the Downtown Core Transition.
- Decorative lighting, new seal coating and road striping.

Necessity: Gustine’s downtown reflects its age in design and condition. The severely aged infrastructure in the downtown area leads to flooding and its design provides challenges to those with mobility issues as well as pedestrians in general. This project would be the first major infrastructure upgrade in the Gustine downtown in at least 50 years. The downtown corridor consists of extremely high curbs with insufficient storm drainage, both of which prove challenging in terms of access, functionality and desirability. The project improvements to engineering, design and functionality would increase economic vitality for the City. With a population less than 5,900 and minimal funding options, the City has struggled with finding funding for this extremely important project. Over the last decade, the City has seen occupation rates in its downtown Commercial Core fall, with business owners citing accessibility to both foot traffic and visitor traffic as a significant challenge to their businesses.

Beneficiaries:

- Local residents, including those with mobility challenges.
- Business owners in the downtown.
- Visitors, including travelers from Interstate 5, Highway 140 and Highway 33.
- Regional populations that depend on Gustine to access to specific goods and services.

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