



SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT PROGRAM

CITY OF SAFFORD ANNEX BUILDING
808 SOUTH 8TH AVENUE, SAFFORD, ARIZONA
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 17, 2020
5:00 PM

In accordance with Section 2.04.120 of the Municipal Code of the City of Safford, and Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431.01 et seq., and §38-431.02 et seq., NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the members of the general public that the Small Business Support Program Commission will be held. If authorized by a majority vote of the Small Business Support Program Commission of the City of Safford, and pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, §431.03 et seq., the Commission may adjourn the meeting at any time and move into Executive Session. Executive Session will not be open to the public.

MINUTE RECORD

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Crispin Coronado, Jacque Attaway, John Casella, Susan Anderson, Kym Gifford

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Surber, Admin Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Danny Smith, Applicant

1. **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:** Susan Anderson led introductions.
3. **APPLICATION REVIEW:** The Planning and Community Development Department is in receipt of an application from Danny Smith representing the Safford Downtown Association and the Safford Theatre Project. The applicant is requesting funding from the Small Business Support Program to complete the bathrooms that are part of the Safford Theatre renovation project located at 424 W. Main Street.
4. Danny Smith: Overview of theatre: The historic Safford Theatre is in the downtown shopping district. The theatre will host concerts, movies, performing arts and other after 5:00 pm events held by the Downtown Association. Total project would cost 1.9M. Attempting to complete with 740K actual cost. 84% has been raised and the project is 60% complete. Received 150K from United Way, 92K from USDA, 150K from Freeport, 191K in-kind donations and many volunteer hours. Total restroom budget is \$48,359 and is requesting \$10,000 which is the maximum for the program.

5. Susan Anderson: The project meets the criteria for the program: within Safford city limits, applicant has funded 50% of project cost, it is a capital improvement project, applicant has included all supporting materials, and project will create new jobs. Committee unanimously voted Yes.
4. **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: TBD**
5. **ADJOURN: 5:17 p.m.**

DRAFT