

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: March 8, 2023

TITLE:

Main Street Manager Report

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

Candice Butts, Main Street Manager

UPDATES:

Please find the monthly Main Street Manager updates below:

<u>Main Street Businesses:</u> Johnson's Bakery located at 702 Main Street, suite 103, The Aesthetic Collective, LLC located at 601 Chestnut St, B, and Scott Mele located at 909 Main Street received Certificate of Occupancies.

Main Street Now Conference: I will be attending the National Main Street Now Conference March 27th through March 30th in Boston. Themes for this year's conference are community wealth building and shared prosperity, resilient and future-focused Main Streets, and building community connections.

Mayor's State of the City: The State of the City Address and "Roast" of Mayor Connie Schroeder will be on Friday, March 31, 2023 at 6:00pm in the Convention Center. Join the City of Bastrop for dinner as we reflect upon the challenges and accomplishments of the last year, look toward Bastrop's future, and have a little fun telling stories about outgoing Mayor Schroeder's time in office. Tickets are \$40 per person and tables are \$250 for a table of 6. You can purchase tickets/tables here: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-state-of-the-city-roast-of-mayor-connie-schroeder-tickets-533903619097

<u>Cultural Arts Commission's Mini Grants:</u> The CAC has issued four (4) mini grants to local artists in Bastrop. Two of the grants awarded are for events that will happen in the Main Street District this year. Bastrop Art Tour will be on April 22, 2023 and will be a self-guided walking tour that will be free to the public. Art demonstrations and interactive experiences will be help in various businesses with over 125 artists showcased during the event. Move it Bastrop will be every third Friday of the Month starting in April and ending in August. It will feature movement and music opportunities in downtown venues with local businesses collaborating with dancers, instructors, and musicians who will hold workshops, give dance or body movement instruction, and preform together. The event will also be free to the public.