

## BRECKENRIDGE CITY COMMISSION AGENDA SUMMARY FORM

**Subject:** Discussion and any necessary action regarding BEDC Board request for

TMCN Student Leadership Project

**Department:** Administration

**Staff Contact:** Cynthia Northrop

Title: City Manager

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The BEDC purchased 217 W. Walker along with the former Beall's building. and has been asked by a group of BHS students to use the property in their scholarship program. Texas Midwest Community Network offers a leadership program geared toward community projects where students can receive scholarships for their project. The BHS student group visualizes and creates the project and works with community members (Lisa Echols, Yuri Huntington, Chamber, JB Sparks, Downtown Development Committee, David Miller, BEDC and Cynthia Northrop, CM). Their project is to create an inviting community space for citizens and visitors alike in the downtown area. They have requested to use and improve 217 W. Walker. The project includes seating, shade, lighting, a new mural, and entertainment features. The BEDC agreed to the use and to contribute to the project. The BEDC will pay an initial investment of \$8,500.00, the cost to construct a gated, iron fence (matching the existing iron fencing in the area) to enclose the highway frontage side, and to match an additional \$12,000.00 in in-kind work and/or donations.

The BHS Student Leadership group has been presenting the project concept to community members and is scheduled to present it to the City Commission soon.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT:

BEDC would fund the project out of its funds and any donations received.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Consider BEDC Board recommendation to fund the project and improve 217 W. Walker.