



April 21, 2025

Dear Commissioners:

We received three bids in response to our RFP for the Nomination of the Days Avenue District to the National Register of Historic Places:

Miller Preservation Services, Howell Michigan - \$27,608

Loggia Preservation, Southfield, Michigan - \$17,875

Kurt Garner Heritage Preservation - \$9,800

The Community Development Department recommends the bid to be awarded to Kurt Garner Heritage Preservation in the amount of \$9,800.

The project will be funded by a \$5,000 grant to the City of Buchanan from Michigan Gateway Community Foundation and \$4,800 from the Community Development Department Grants and Special Projects line item.

As a reminder, the Buchanan Preservationist Society has contracted Kurt Garner directly to fund the Nomination of the Mill Race to the National Register of Historic Places in the amount of \$5,000 which was a prerequisite for the funding of both projects. In this case, a three-way partnership of MGCF, Buchanan Preservationists, and the City will fund the cost of the implementation of both projects, with each partner funding approximately 1/3 of the total cost. The projects are expected to be completed by the end of the year.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rich Murphy", is written over a large, faint, stylized outline of the letter "M".

Rich Murphy

Community Development Director