

IDEAS LIST with VOTE TALLIES: EDA January 2025 Goal Setting

BUSINESS SUPPORT, OUTREACH, and GRANTS		NEIGHBORHOOD / HOUSING revitalization	CENTRAL AVE revitalization, placemaking, quality of life	REDEVELOPMENT “BIG SITES” tax base, parks
More consultation b/w city and business community	Revise fire suppression grant program to be more helpful for businesses in targeted industries/locations	Continue to purchase blighted/underutilized properties in central business district	Public art piece(s) in central business district	Medtronic
Establish a business booklet (1 SHARED VOTE)	Business district alley façade improvement grant + standards	Determine most effective use of Affordable Housing Trust Fund to create new housing	Grant programs for public art	Medtronic site / park / Sullivan Lake
Create business directory online resource, easily accessible (1 SHARED VOTE)	Expanding façade improvement plan to include interior work and/or a similar program for that work	Grant money to improve our NOAHs (roofs, windows, HVAC, etc.) (1 VOTE)	Public art (proven to improve local economy)	Encourage development that will help lower residential taxation
Enact business visits as a part of business retention and expansion	Fire suppression	Deal w/dilapidated housing stock	Central Ave revitalization: filling empty storefronts, continue façade program	Grant for playgrounds - soccer
Providing community information sessions or classes on starting a business	Revisit façade and fire suppression grant guidelines	Targeting properties in key areas for purchase	The pedestrian “alley” “beautified,” murals, lighting, etc. ... Central Ave (1 VOTE)	
	Refine/repurpose fire suppression grant program		Develop ways to update Central Ave	
	Façade grant to be increased and redirected to include other areas like training		Survey businesses or “façade” of “new” Central Ave... landscaping	
			City parking lot improved and signage and pollinator plantings (1 VOTE)	

3 VOTES SUBCATEGORY

1 VOTE CATEGORY	4 VOTES CATEGORY	5 VOTES CATEGORY	4 VOTES CATEGORY
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