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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 17, 2023
To: Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission
From: Kevin Kuchenbecker, Planning, Zoning and Historic Preservation Officer
Re: Recommend hiring Erica Merchant to restore interior ghost mural at 51, 53, 55 Sherman Street

The Historic Preservation Commission has entered 51, 53, 55 Sherman Street, Adams Block Buildings, into the Historic Ghost Mural Easement Program. As per the guidelines, the City of Deadwood will be responsible for 100% of the restoration costs, bidding of the project, securing the required building permit and managing the restoration project. The owner of the building will be responsible for maintaining the ghost mural when complete per the easement guidelines.

A quote has been submitted from Erica Merchant, a highly recommended artist, to restore the ghost murals at 70% on an interior mural on the building. This is the same artist who completed the "Grain Belt" mural and the "George Henry Cigar" mural. Staff is recommending hiring Erica Merchant to restore the ghost mural for a cost not to exceed \$15,868.38. The exterior ghost murals will be quoted and completed when weather permits.

Staff is recommending hiring Erica Merchant to restore the ghost mural on the interior of the building located at 51, 53, 55 Sherman Street at a cost not to exceed \$15,868.38

Recommend Motion: *Move to recommend to the City Commission to hire Erica Merchant to restore the ghost mural of the Adams Block building located at 51, 53, 55 Sherman Street for a cost not to exceed \$15,868.38.*