

06 April 2026

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On behalf of the People's Store of Douglas Condominium (PSD), a Historic Building acknowledged with several Saugatuck Douglas Historical Society Heritage Preservation Awards, we are asking the Douglas Downtown Development Authority for limited financially assistance with updating the preservation and to maintain the building street scape appearance.

The exterior of building was initially coated with a STO Rubberized Coating in 2008, by the Developer (Robin + Sharon Bauer,) now residents.

During the 2007/2009, exterior restoration of the building 8 shutters were added as was originally installed in the late 1800's. The shutters will be painted, and we expect the life of the new coating will give us another 18 years.

Also, 10 small window railings were installed for historical authenticity and added security for the owner's safety. During this restoration, the window railings will be sand blasted, and powder coated with a life expectancy of 18 to 20 years.

The PSD Condominium Board and individual condo owners will pay the Special Assessment and have approved a current 2026, restoration budget of \$14,000.00, including the above-mentioned projects.

With respect to maintaining the street scape of Downtown Douglas, we are asking for financial assistance and consideration to assist in our restoration project. The

individual projects were bid out to contractors who assisted in the original restoration and to additional local companies. We have done our due diligence in securing quality contractual workers.

A mobile lift will be utilized during the restoration, with an estimated 7 to 10 day work schedule. We are asking for short term usage, from the DDA and City of Douglas approval to utilize the parking spaces along Spring Street and the adjacent pedestrian walkway on Center Street. The STO Coating contractor will be allowing us to use the lift to remove/re-install the awnings, shutters and window railings. We will attempt to complete the work to facilitate the use of the Center Spring Street walkways prior to Memorial Day Weekend, pending weather conditions and contractor scheduling. No weekend work will take place.

The contractors have been patiently awaiting our approval to proceed with their respective tasks.

Please give thought to helping us maintain the lovely Douglas Downtown Community. I am available at your convenience to answer any questions that you may have for The Condominium Board.

If possible, please reply by 09 April (as soon as possible), so that we could meet a self-imposed schedule to complete the work by Memorial Day and maximize the seasonal benefits for the Douglas Community.

THE PEOPLE'S STORE of DOUGLAS CONDOMINIUM

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