

Downtown Development Authority of City of Madison Heights

Memorandum

Date: May 6, 2026
To: MHDDA Board
From: Giles Tucker, Community Development Director
Subject: Updates on Ongoing Projects

27025 John R Rd RFQ (11 Mile Rd & John R)

A kickoff meeting for the RFQ was held on June 10th with Progressive Companies. In addition to discussing zoning and incentive considerations, the meeting included a proposed project timeline. The next step is creating development scenarios and their feasibility. Meetings to review these scenarios are scheduled for the last week in June and a follow-up after the July 4th holiday. Once solidified with the help of the MEDC and CEDAM we will be reaching out to developers to gather feedback on our designs and to gauge interest. The project is set to be completed by the end of August.

Clock Tower Painting and Component Replacement

Our target date for installation is July 15th. We still have not been notified when the components will be shipped. Once I know I will be able to schedule the electrician (and determine what those costs are) and the lift for the installation on July 15th.

Downtown Banners

Replacement banners were ordered from Banner Co. in Detroit for a total price of \$3,198.69. Shipping is expected next week.

DDA Strategic Plan

Since our meeting in May, we have provided Pow Strategies access to all the data that Main Street Oakland County has access to, and we have also scheduled two focus group meetings with downtown business owners that are not on the DDA board for an outside perspective.

Downtown Trees, Streetscape Curbing & Landscaping

With the completion of streetscape project, we have effectively planted trees in all the identified areas of the tree map with the exemption of 11 Mile Rd West of John R. At this point, we should suspend the tree program until we know whether we are going to expand the streetscape along 11 Mile Rd. The plantings put in for the streetscape have a two-year warranty. For that reason, I am recommending that we hold off on changing anything with our landscaping contract until next season. Next year's budget should include additional maintenance items such as mulching and annual planting.