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City of Charlestown Common Council
304 Main Cross Street
Charlestown, IN 47111

Re: Additional Appropriation Request for Revitalization of City Square and Infrastructure Improvements

Dear Council Members:


At the next scheduled Council meeting on Monday, June 6, 2022, I have requested an additional appropriation of \$300,000 from the Capital Trust Fund to make improvements to downtown and to finish infrastructure and street projects began in 2019. Following is an estimate for the major work items this appropriation will cover. The gap in funding will be covered by existing appropriated funds.

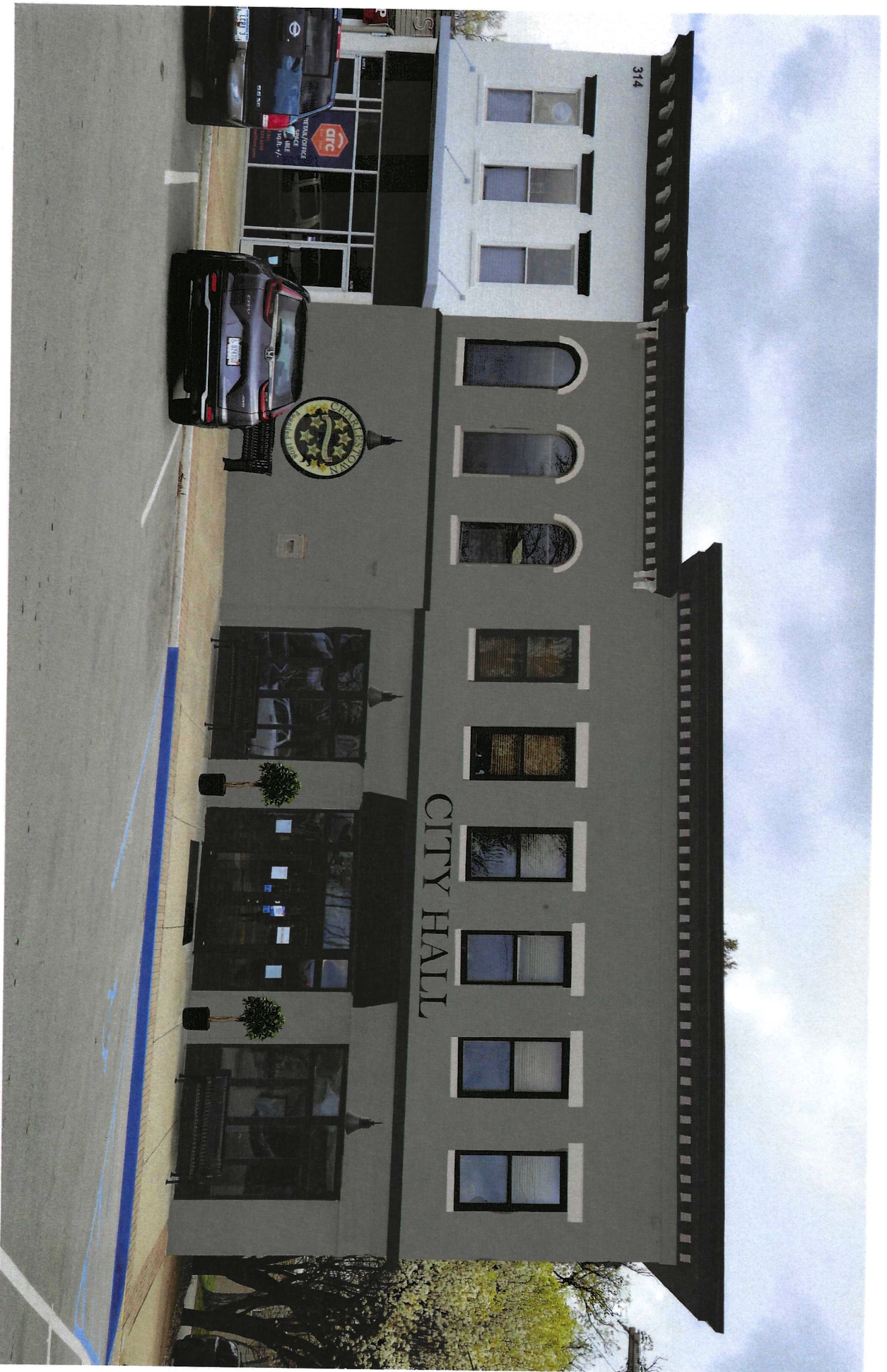
- Sidewalk completion of Main Street and Main Cross intersection \$81,400
 - Sidewalk completion of Monroe Street \$44,500
 - Monroe Street Decorative Lights \$26,000
 - City Hall exterior painting \$25,000
 - City Hall interior updates (lighting, chamber chairs, bathrooms, etc.) \$80,000
 - Utility Pole painting \$ 2,860
 - Roof for City Hall \$50,000
 - Square Revitalization (includes new landscaping and paved pathways with full accessibility to the gazebo) \$75,000
- Total \$384,760

As we are still in the process of seeking bids, I do not have detailed approved bids to provide for you today, however, bids for the square, exterior building painting, and initial sidewalk work will be presented to the Board of Public Works on Wednesday, June 1st at 9:00am where we will consider approval pending available funding. We anticipate having all the bid information to include in the BPW meeting packet that will be emailed out on Friday, May 27th. Please feel free to follow up individually if you have feedback after you receive the packet, and, as always, you're welcome to attend the meeting.

I have included a conceptual rendering of the exterior building improvements for you. The colors are cool shades of grey, black, and white to complement the newly renovated building next door. Please note that the image often appears darker when printed or viewed on a computer. We will have actual color swatches available for review at the Board of Public Works meeting and at the Council meeting.

I'm excited to have the chance to complete these projects. Residents have expressed a desire to have safe, easily navigable pathways around town and the growing popularity of our square and existing redevelopment efforts make this the right time to rehabilitate the city's property. Additionally, creating accessible access to the gazebo with this revitalization shows our residents that we want everyone to be able to enjoy the heart of the city. I'm happy to answer any questions you have.

Sincerely,

Treva Hodges, Mayor



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