

MEMORANDUM

"...meeting community needs...enhancing quality of life."

TO: Community & Economic Development Committee (CEDC)

FROM: Karen Harkness, Director

Monica Stage, Deputy Director

DATE: March 6, 2019

RE: Request to Approve 2019 Sponsorships for Appleton Downtown Inc. (ADI) Programs

The Council approved 2019 Budget includes \$36,000 in the Marketing & Business Services Business Unit of the Community & Economic Development Department Budget to support economic development projects and initiatives.

Appleton Downtown Inc. (ADI) has presented the City with a sponsorship proposal for 2019 (attached) that would allow the City to invest in numerous programs for both our existing residents and businesses as well as visitors and potential investors in Downtown. These programs align with the updated Comprehensive Plan 2010-2030, especially Chapter 14 Downtown Plan.

Please note that Small Business Saturday sponsorship also includes the Appleton Northside Business Association (ANBA) membership area as well.

Staff Recommendation:

Request to approve \$15,500 for 2019 sponsorships for Appleton Downtown Inc. (ADI) programs as outlined in the attached document **BE APPROVED**.