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Tom Bozarth, Mayor

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Dear Mr. Thomas,

I want to follow up with you on the possible grant from the Kentucky Heritage Council. The City Council submitted three different projects that should to be addressed.

- 1) The possibility of additional parking for downtown should be a priority consideration. There is a dire need for more parking for customers, tourists and employees of downtown businesses. The cost for this additional parking is \$5,912.00. This does not include striping.
- 2) The rock wall on Gratz Street, between Main Street and Bruen Street should have been addressed during our Streetscape project. We need to take a hard look at this and see if it fits in the guidelines for this grant. The cost for replacing this wall is \$40,000.00, which is the lowest bid received.
- 3) Replace the sidewalk from Main Street to Bruen Street. The cost for removing and replacing the sidewalk is \$9,500.00.

If a marketing study is the avenue you wish to take, you will need to bring any recommendation to a vote of the City Council. This is a reimbursable grant and the City of Midway is not in a position to front all the money for the grant. I am going to recommend to the Council that if the decision is to go forward with the marketing study that the City of Midway, Midway Business Association and Midway Renaissance each pay one third of the cost. In these economic times it is hard for any government, organization or individual to pay the total amount. I have concerns that there will not be funds available to implement the recommendations from the marketing study.

We do have funds available to implement the parking improvements from the municipal road aid fund. This would not be a burden on the City's finances during these tough economic times. The need for additional parking is there and we see it everyday. This would be a worthy cause for all

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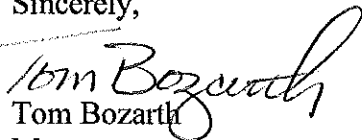
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of Midway and would not be a burden on our citizens that are struggling every day to make ends meet.

I look forward hearing from you before our next meeting.

Sincerely,


Tom Bozarth
Mayor