

City of Sebastopol Design Review Board Staff Report

Meeting Date: September 7, 2022

Agenda Item: 7A

<u>To</u>: Design Review Board

From: John Jay, Associate Planner

<u>Subject</u>: Façade Improvement grant extension

Recommendation: Approval of one-time grant extension to Façade improvement program

awardee

Introduction:

The Façade improvement program has been a successful program the City of Sebastopol has implemented for local businesses to provide financial help, through a grant, to exterior renovations to the awardee's buildings. During the 2021-2022 fiscal year the City and Design Review Board awarded the allotted \$20,000 to local businesses and the program is expected to be extended into the 2022-2023 fiscal year by City Council.

Discussion:

Due to the pandemic and other worldwide events we have seen an overall shake up of businesses and operations. The issues seen on a global scale are supply chain issues, businesses no longer operating, and a variety of other things. Staff has received notification from two of last years' (FY 21-22) applicants/awardees that they were unable to complete the improvements by the June 30 deadline. They would like to request an extension of the reimbursement window to be allowed to submit their reimbursement request now (ie by June 30, 2023, for the current fiscal year). Although funding has passed for the FY 21-22 these extensions would be requesting from the FY 22-23 pool of \$20,000.

Staff believes these actions are consistent with the intent of the City's program, which is to support the small local businesses who are working to improve facades of businesses within town. Staff also believes this would also be consistent with the intent of the program's requirement that the work be awarded prior to being done, as the awardee had submitted and been awarded a FIP grant by the DRB prior to performing the work.

2022-23 Fiscal Year Funds Available:	20,000
Granting the extension of 127 North Main Street:	2,500
Granting the extension of 156 North Main Street:	2,500
Granting the application of 128 North Main Street:	2,500
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Recommendation:

Staff is recommending the Design Review Board approve an extension for Global Village and
Tombe Realty to submit for reimbursement by June 30, 2023, and for the City to reimburse
these funds, as the new fiscal year was renewed to \$20,000.

Attachments: Application

City of Sebastopol Façade Improvement Program



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> City of Sebastopol Planning Department

APPLICATION FORM

1. A	pplicant Name: Tombe Restly Cor	ntact Person: Crang Goldstein
	ne # 707-823-647 E-Mail: Crange 9	
	iness Name: Tombe Realty D	
Wel	site: Tombe Realty. com	
Prop	perty Address: 127 North Main S	treet
Mai	ling Address: Ci	ity: Sebastopal Zip: 95472
Tota	al Building Sq. Ft:Building Street Front	age: 25 feet Parcel #
Are	you the: Owner/Occupant Tenant Expiration	of Lease:
Plea	ise check one: 🗷 Proprietorship 🗖 Partnership 🗖 Corp	poration
2. T	ype of Business or Businesses in Building:	1 Estate
2 D	roject Description: Replace old 11-	Tombe Realty " Sign with
3. P		The free fit 3111
	hew ones.	
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4 F	stimated Costs:	
7. E	Category	Bid Costs
A.	Painting	\$
B.	Signage	s 7054,49
C.	Awnings	\$
D.	Landscaping and Irrigation	S
E.	Exterior Lighting	\$
F.	City Permit Fees	\$
G.	Other (Attach separate complete list of all proposed improvements and breakdown of bid costs)	\$
	Total Estimated Cost	s 7054, 48

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5. City permits required for the improvement: ☐ Design Review approval ☐ Encroachment Permit ☐ Building Permit	☐ Other Permits ☐ No permits required
If permits are required, please indicate status of a	pplications or approvals:
e e	
6. Estimated Date of Façade Project Completion:	June 7th 2022
Prior to submitting please verify that the following	items have been filled out and provided:
1. Copies of signed bids for all improvements	Provided
 Applicable, Architectural, Landscape, Sign, plans 	
3. Awning design (if applicable)	□ Provided □ Not Applicable
4. Color and material samples for paint, awnings, si	
5. Copy of Sebastopol Business License	Provided
6. Copies of any permits obtained	Provided Chartle w
7. Application Form, signed and dated	Provided - Submitted w/ Provided Rebute program
8. Terms and Conditions Form, signed and dated	Provided
9. Maintenance Agreement Form, signed and dated	,
10. Indemnification Agreement Form, signed and dat	TO THE CO.
NOTE: IMPROVEMENTS COMPLETED P.	
Name of Applicant: Tombe Realty	Craig Goldstein
Signature:	Date: 4(15/22
Name of Building Owner if different from Applicant:	
Tombe Realty/ Chris Pella	scini 707-823-6475 Tombelesonic
(Print name) (Phone number)	(Email address)
	Date: 4-14-2022
Property Owner signature:	Date:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I. Purpose

To encourage rehabilitation of commercial business fronts in designated target areas through the improvement of new signage, painting, landscaping, new facades, and more.

II. Eligible Improvements

- Landscaping and irrigation
- Painting
- New signage and awnings
- Exterior lighting
- Parking lot improvements
- New Facades
- In addition, Planning, Building and Public Works permit fees are eligible (i.e. Design Review Board, Building and encroachment permit fees)

III. Program Benefit

Cash rebate for 75% of the work, not to exceed \$2,500 for eligible improvements.

IV. Project Requirements

- Project location must be within the City of Sebastopol in a commercial or industrial zoning district.
- Building to be improved must be commercial or industrial in use, as determined by the Planning Department.
- Evidence of a current Sebastopol Business License is required.
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- Requests for reimbursements must be submitted to the City no later than June 1 of the same Fiscal Year that the project was approved, unless otherwise specified by the Planning Department.
- Contractors must be properly licensed.
- Applicant must provide evidence of liability and Workers Compensation Insurance.
- Contractor(s) and subcontractor(s) must comply with all laws and regulations pertaining to wages.

V. Exclusions

- Property with illegal sign(s). Applicant must remove illegal sign(s) prior to receiving the rebate.
- Project improvements that are started, but not completed.
- New construction projects.
- Buildings termed as high or medium seismic risks or having other serious code violations with no plans to correct deficiencies within a reasonable time frame.
- Interior improvements
- Improvements not clearly visible from street frontage.
- Exterior improvements not approved by the Planning Department.
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- The project may be denied without cause, due to such events as, lack of funds or a change in the scope or priority of the program or other program factors determined by the Planning Department, City Manager, or Design Review Board.
- The City reserves the right to cancel the program at any time.

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IX. Sale of Property within 3 years of Rebate Funding

In the event the property is sold within three (3) years of the rebate funding, the building owner, whether they are the original applicant or not, agrees either to maintain the approved improvements or agrees to repay the City a prorated amount equal to the proportion of the remaining three (3) years, rounded to the nearest year. Example, if the building is sold two (2) years after the rebate, the repayment amount would be 1/3 of the original rebate funding; alternatively, if the improvements remain in effect for a three-year period, then repayment is not required.

X. Accomplishment of Work

The applicant agrees to all improvements specified in the application and the Planning Department's recommendations and/or stipulations that work will conform to City standards. Under certain submittals applicant plans may be subject to design review or other requirements.

Applicant shall carry out the design, construction, and operation of the Project in substantial conformity with all applicable laws, ordinances, statutes, codes, rules, regulations, orders, and decrees of the United States, the State of California, the County of Sonoma, the City, or any other political subdivision in which the property is located, and of any other political subdivision, City, or instrumentality exercising jurisdiction over the City, the Applicant or the Property, including all applicable federal, state, and local occupation, safety and health laws, rules, regulations and standards, applicable state and labor standards,

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prevailing wage requirements, the City zoning and development standards, City permits and approvals, building, plumbing, mechanical and electrical codes, as they apply to the Property and Project, and all other provisions of the City and its Municipal Code (as they apply to the Property and the Project), and all applicable disabled and handicap access requirements, including, without the limitation, the Americans With Disability Act, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., Government Code § 4450 et seq., and the Unruh Civil Rights Act, Civil Code § 51 et seq.

Supporting documentation may include an architectural rendering (depending upon the extent of the proposed improvements), landscape and irrigation plans, sign plans, paint chips and types of materials to be used and color schemes.

A deadline for the completion of all agreed-upon improvements will be determined at the Rebate Planning Department meeting and conveyed to the applicant in writing after application approval. If the improvements have not been completed by the deadline, the file may be closed, and the applicant may have to reapply for the program with written substantiation as to why they were unable to meet the deadline.

Upon completion of all agreed upon improvements, applicant <u>MUST</u> submit copies of cancelled checks (both sides), paid invoices/receipts, permit copies, proper prevailing wage documentation and a description of completed work and costs involved.

XI. Inspection of Project

Before, during and after improvements are being made, the City of Sebastopol or its designee shall have the right to inspect all work authorized under this program. No rebate check shall be issued until all improvements have been completed to the satisfaction of the inspectors, and the appropriate documentation have been received, reviewed and processed accordingly.

Name of Applicant: _	Chris Pell	decini	/Tom	oe Res!	Ity
Signature:	Please Print	~		Date:	1-14-2022
Name of Building Ov	vner If Different from		· ·		
Signature:		(Pl	ease Print)	Date:	

PROPERTY	MAINTENANCE AGREEM	<u>TENT</u>
building exterior	renovation and/or landscaping improve	Applicant") proposes to undertake certain ment work on commercial or industrial property (Property Address) in the City of Sebastopol,
agreement and ac		ng a Rebate from the City. By executing this articipant promises to maintain the Property in as specified below, as follows:
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2. Awnings tattered e		secured, fully intact, clean and free from tears or
3. Landscap gardening		l be kept in proper condition by watering and
	erty shall be maintained in compliance y of Sebastopol.	with applicable building and zoning regulations
within a three (3) defective mainten Sebastopol to do s	year period commencing on the date the ance within 60 days after receiving not so, the Participant agrees to repay the Cope liable to the City for such amount. T	in good and attractive condition as stated above the rebate is paid, and further fails to correct such the from a representative of the City of city a prorated amount of the Rebate, and the the prorated amount shall be equal to the
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Name of Applican	nt: Chris Pullascini (Please Print)	Mombe Realty
Signature	Refer	Date: 4-14-2022
Name of Building	Owner If Different from Applicant:	
(Please Print)	(Phone Number)	(Email Address)
Property Owner s	ignature:	Date:

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

As part of this application, applicant agrees to defend, indemnify, release and hold harmless the City, its agents, officers, attorneys, employees, boards and commissions from any claim, action or proceeding brought against any of the foregoing individuals or entities, the purpose of which is to attack, set aside, void or annul the approval of this application or the adoption of the environmental document which may accompany it or otherwise arises out of or in connection with the City's action on this application. This indemnification shall include, but not be limited to, damages, costs, expenses, attorney fees or expert witness fees that may be asserted by any person or entity, including the applicant, arising out of or in connection with the City's action on this application, whether or not there is concurrent passive or active negligence on the part of the City.

If, for any reason any portion of this indemnification agreement is held to be void or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

Applicant Signature

Date

NOTE: The purpose of the indemnification agreement is to allow the City to be held harmless in terms of potential legal costs and liabilities in conjunction with permit processing and approval.

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Dear Business/Building Owner:

The City of Sebastopol offers a program aimed at encouraging local businesses and property owners to improve commercial and industrial buildings. Upgrades, maintenance, and aesthetic enhancements will benefit the entire community and enhance the local economy.

With these objectives in mind, subject to funding availability, the Sebastopol Façade Improvement Program will provide a *rebate* for expenses incurred on new exterior property improvements made to commercial or industrial buildings within the City of Sebastopol.

The program will reimburse a property owner or tenant for 75% of new improvements up to \$2,500. Eligible improvements include painting, new signage, awnings, landscaping, exterior lighting, and local permit fees. Façade building improvements (new windows, changing materials, etc.) are also eligible; however, note that larger changes may require Design Review approval as well.

The objective of the Façade Improvement Program is to provide an incentive to property owners and/or tenants to enhance the physical appearance of buildings and landscapes. This public/private partnership investment is intended to leverage private capital with public funds for greater community economic benefit.

To apply for the program a building owner or tenant, with the owner's approval, should fill out the attached application and include bid estimates for the proposed improvement(s). The Planning Department then reviews the submitted application for completeness and batches them to be reviewed on a quarterly basis by the Design Review Board for approval. Deadlines for applications for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 are:

- January 18, 2022
- April 19, 2022

It is anticipated that the Board will hear the Façade Improvement Submittals on Feb 16, 2022 (Jan applications) and May 4 (April applications).

Note, funding is limited based on the adopted City Budget. Funding may be entirely allotted in early rounds.

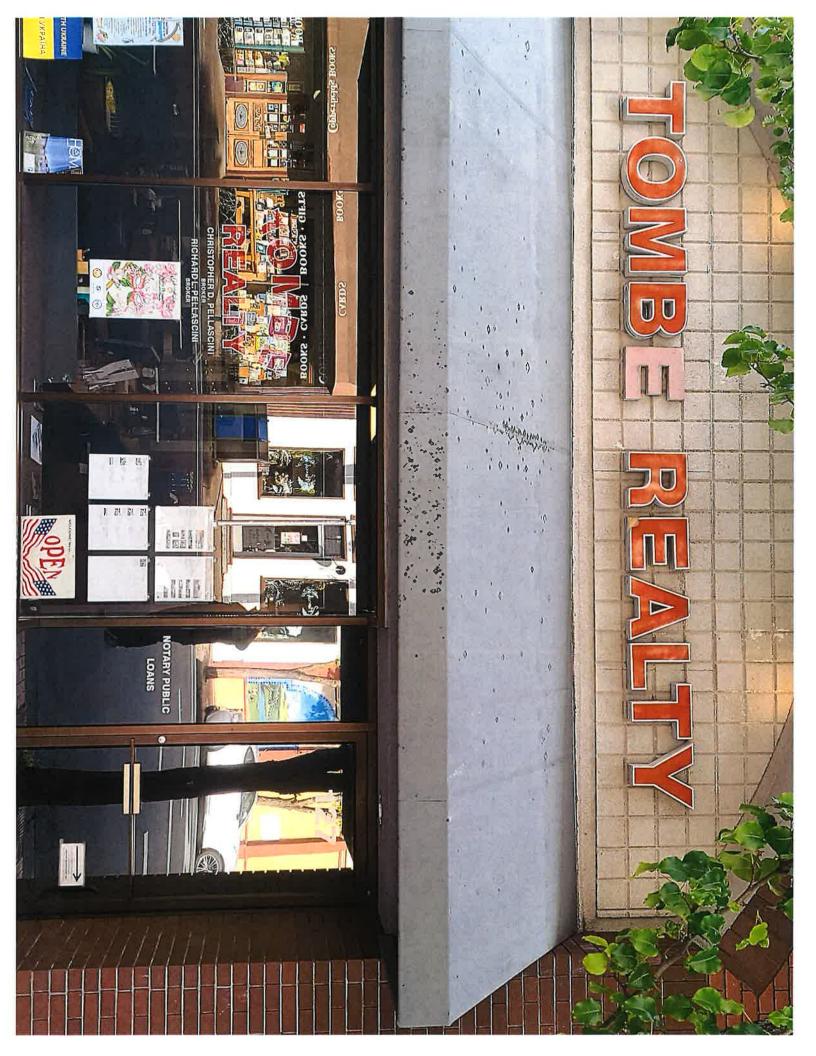
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For approved projects, work must be done by June 30, 2021, and requests for reimbursement must be made in the same Fiscal Year as when the project was approved, no later than July 1, 2021.

If you would like to apply for or discuss the program in more detail, please contact Kari Svanstrom, Planning Director at (707) 823-6167 or ksvanstrom@cityofsebastopol.org.

Sincerely.

Kari Svanstrom Planning Director



TOMBE REALTY

New Font Signage replacing

APPLICATION FORM

1. Applicant Name: GV Imports Inc. dba Glo	obal Village
Contact Person: Anya Concoff	Phone # 707-829-
1926 E-Mail: anya@globalv	illageimports.com
Business Name: GV Imports DBA: Global V	/illage
Web site:www.globalvillagesebastopol.com (online sa	ales), www.facebook.com/globalvillagesebastopol
Property Address: 156 N Main Street	
Mailing Address: _sameCity: Sebastopol	Zip: 95472
Total Building Sq. Ft: approx. 3000 Building	Street Frontage: yes Parcel # 004-243-
013-000 _ Are you the: ☐ Owner/Occupant <u>x Ten</u>	ant Expiration of Lease: June 1 2025Please
check one: ☐ Proprietorship ☐ Partnership x Corp	<u>oration</u>
2. Type of Business or Businesses in Building:l	Retail storefront and online sales of
imported and domestic apparel, gifts, do	ecor and misc. On Main Street since
1992. Now in the second generation of fa	amily management.
3. Project Description:	
A. Exterior painting of front of	store up to roof in colors that reflect
the 1900 character of the bu	ilding (swatches attached)
B. Removal of former tenant's	ignage (Artist Supplies)
4. Estimated Costs:	
<u>Category Bid Costs</u> A + B. Painting and signage removal \$430	00 F. City Permit Fees \$ unknown ,
concurrently applying for encroachment permit fo	r the day of work and a review of the
colors from the Planning dept	
G. Other (Attach separate complete list of all propos	ed improvements and breakdown of bid

10. Indemnification Agreement Form, signed and dated **x Provided**

Name of Applicant: **Anya Concoff / Global Village**_____

888-2299 (*Phone number*) **ghayssen@sonic.net** (*Email address*)

of Building Owner if different from Applicant:

Property Owner signature: _____

NOTE: IMPROVEMENTS COMPLETED PRIOR TO APPROVAL ARE INELIGIBLE

Signature: ______ Date: ______ Name

Gail Hayssen/Hayssen Property Management_____(Print name) 707-

Date:

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Name of Applicant: Anya Concoff	(Please Print)
Signature:	Date:
Name of Building Owner If Different from Applicant: Gail	l Hayssen (Please Print)
Signature:	Date:

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

The undersigned Global Village ("Applicant") proposes to undertake certain building exterior renovation and/or landscaping improvement work on commercial or industrial property located at 156 N Main Street_____ (Property Address) in the City of Sebastopol, California.

This agreement is conditional upon Participant's receiving a Rebate from the City. By executing this agreement and accepting the Rebate from the City, the Participant promises to maintain the Property in good attractive condition for the term of this agreement, as specified below, as follows:

- 1. The appearance of the building exterior shall not be allowed to deteriorate due to such reasons as chipped or cracked paint.
- 2. Awnings shall be kept in good condition, safely secured, fully intact, clean and free from tears or tattered edges.
- 3. Landscaping on the grounds of the Property shall be kept in proper condition by watering and gardening work.
- 4. The Property shall be maintained in compliance with applicable building and zoning regulations of the City of Sebastopol.

In the event the Participant fails to maintain the Property in good and attractive condition as stated above within a three (3) year period commencing on the date the rebate is paid, and further fails to correct such defective maintenance within 60 days after receiving notice from a representative of the City of Sebastopol to do so, the Participant agrees to repay the City a prorated amount of the Rebate, and the Participant shall be liable to the City for such amount. The prorated amount shall be equal to the remaining three (3) year period.

This agreement shall be binding upon the owner/lessee and its successors, to said property for a period of three (3) years from and after the date of completion and approval of the improvements provided herein. It shall be the responsibility of the owner/lessee to inform subsequent owner(s)/lessee(s) of the provisions of this agreement. In the event the property is sold within three (3) years of the improvements, the owner agrees to repay the rebate back to the City in the form of a prorated amount of the remaining three (3) year period and the owner shall be liable to the City for such amount.

(Please Print)	17 Global village
Signature:	Date:
Name of Building Owner If Different f	from Applicant:
Gail Hayssen	(Please Print)
707-888-2299 (Phone Number	ghayssen@sonic.net_(Email Address)
Property Owner signature	Date

Name of Applicants Apple Concoff / Clobal Villago

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

As part of this application, applicant agrees to defend, indemnify, release and hold harmless the City, its agents, officers, attorneys, employees, boards and commissions from any claim, action or proceeding brought against any of the foregoing individuals or entities, the purpose of which is to attack, set aside, void or annul the approval of this application or the adoption of the environmental document which may accompany it or otherwise arises out of or in connection with the City's action on this application. This indemnification shall include, but not be limited to, damages, costs, expenses, attorney fees or expert witness fees that may be asserted by any person or entity, including the applicant, arising out of or in connection with the City's action on this application, whether or not there is concurrent passive or active negligence on the part of the City.

If, for any reason any portion of this indemnification agreement is held to be void or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

Anya Concoff	Applicant Signature Date

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