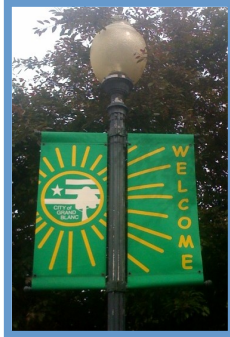


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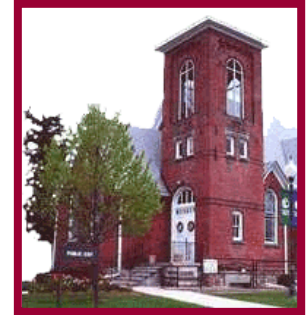


Welcome to the City of Grand Blanc Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Newsletter, *Just About Downtown*. This newsletter was created as a tool to keep DDA district business members and residents up to date on the most current information regarding projects and developments in Downtown Grand Blanc. The DDA Board Members and Grand Blanc City Administration are excited to keep you posted on the projects, events, businesses and people of the Downtown area.

The City of Grand Blanc established a Downtown Development Authority in February 2006 in order to better serve businesses in the City and also to encourage and promote new business. The DDA has planned several improvement and support projects to accomplish this goal, many of which are included in this publication.

The DDA meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

We look forward to working together with you!



Grand Blanc Road Streetscape Project Update: The Grand Blanc Road Streetscape project began in June 2010. This project includes a pocket park near City Hall, sidewalk and streetscape updates from Saginaw Street to Davis Street. New streetlights will be installed from Davis Street to City Limits. The project should be completed by Labor Day.

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Upcoming Calendar of Events:

- * Every Sunday until October 17th - Farmers Market 10 am - 3 pm
- * August 7-8: Grand Blanc Arts Council Art Fair
- * August 17-21: Back to the Bricks Cruise
- * September 16-19: Grand Blanc Family Fun Fest

DDA BOARD

Kevin Groves—Chairman	Lou Blessing
Tony Mainprize—Vice Chairman	Dan Harrett
Christopher Carr—Treasurer	Debra Honea
Mayor Michael Matheny	Suzanne Johnson
	John Peterman

DDA FAÇADE LOAN PROGRAM



~The DDA announced the Façade Loan Program in 2009. Please refer to the enclosed brochure and call City Hall at 810/694-1118 if you would like to participate.~

IF YOU HAVE COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS FOR PROJECTS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE THE DDA TO CONSIDER, PLEASE CONTACT RANDALL BYRNE AT 810/694-1118.

DDA Projects Funded:

- ~As Built Plans For Downtown Parcels—2008
- ~Flint Banjo Club at Farmers Market Kickoff—2008, 2009 and 2010
- ~Concerts in the Park Sponsor—2009 and 2010
- ~New Business Recruitment Package—2008, 2009 and 2010
- ~Electrical Wiring for Physicians Park—2009
- ~Site Plan for Multi-Purpose Building—2010
- ~ Grand Blanc Arts Fair Sponsor—2009 and 2010

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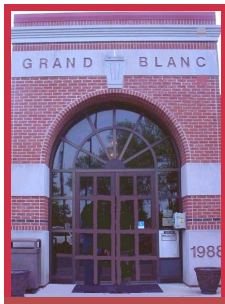
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CITY OF GRAND BLANC DDA ON-GOING, SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- ~ Business Development - The DDA will focus on assisting existing businesses and promoting new businesses that benefit the community.
- ~ Community Service Support - The DDA will work with local services and social organizations on projects that promote community spirit and well-being.
- ~ Design Plan - The DDA will complete an overall design plan for the downtown district.
- ~ Street Beautification - The DDA will adequately landscape and enhance the streets within the DDA district.
- ~ Surface Parking Development - The DDA will allocate funds to design and develop the parking lots within the area of Grand Boulevard.
- ~ Parking Structure Development - The DDA will allocate funds to support development of a parking structure.
- ~ Outdoor Pavilion/Skating Rink - The DDA will allocate funds to construct an arena for hosting events and providing shelter.
- ~ Street improvements - The DDA will allocate funds as determined by the Design Plan.
- ~ **Building Façade and Sign Improvement - The DDA has announced a Façade Loan Program. The Program guidelines are included in this publication. Please review the brochure to determine if your business qualifies or contact Randall Byrne at 810.694.1118.**

DDA NEWS



In April 2010, Jay Hoffman broke ground for his financial services building at the corner of Grand Blanc Road and Grand Boulevard. Construction began in June 2010.

New Businesses in the DDA District:

- ~ Guido's Pizza
- ~ The French Confection
- ~ Designworks, Inc.
- ~ Mia Nicoles
- ~ Complete Computers
- ~ Soap in the City
- ~ Dr. Haddad
- ~ Baraka Holdings