

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT – December 2023

KINDERHOOK BUSINESS UPDATE

Vacant Commercial/Mixed Use: [3]

1 Chatham Street, 6 Broad Street, 59 Broad Street

Partially Occupied Commercial/Mixed Use: [1]

5 Hudson Street

Business Opening

PROMOTION

- Ongoing social-media re-posts for local businesses
- Kinderhook map installed at municipal parking lot..
- Distributed rack cards and brochures at village locations.
- Provided and/or forwarded event graphics for weekly village email blasts.
- Composed press release for Super Stories' class/workshop announcements and sent to The Columbia Paper and Register-Star and posted on Facebook, Nextdoor, and Instagram.

BUSINESS LIAISON

- Continued to provide updates on available commercial properties.
- Liaisoned with KBPA on planning and promotion for Candlelight Night 2023
- Passed on to Kinderhook businesses an opportunity for free business listings on Inside + Out Upstate NY

GRANTS SUMMARY

- Obtained cost estimates, completed, and submitted grant application to Partners for Climate Action Hudson Valley Building Decarbonization Grant (Stage C – Implementation) for Van Buren Hall Window Replacement.
- Drafted reply to question concerning Van Buren Hall window replacement. Sent by M. Abrams.
- Awaiting awards announcements from Partners for Climate Action Hudson Valley (February).
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GRANT RESEARCH/SUPPORT/APPLICATION

- Continued review of grant availability and grant eligibility.
- Checklists drafted and approved for: proposed grant applications and awarded grants.
- Preliminary research on the following small grants: Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation Fund for Columbia County and Hudson River Estuary Program grants.
- Organized various grant files into individual binders.

CURRENT (ONGOING):

Kinderhook Creek Kayak Launch Project

- Installation of creek-access improvements in Kinderhook and Valatie scheduled for completion in spring 2024.

Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP)

(Village of Kinderhook and Village of Valatie Collaborative Project)

NY Forward

- Awaiting announcements of awards.

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ECONOMIC-DEVELOPMENT RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE

Albany-Hudson Electric Trail, Village Bike Rack

- Awaiting action on bike rack proposal in Village Square at Kinderhook Knitting Mill.

Long-term Parking and Traffic Issues

- Awaiting information on costs for soil testing at 25 Chatham Street.

Village Website

- Met with K. Silva and D. Weir re: site map list revisions.
- Attended meeting with K. Silva, D. Weir, and Revize site-map designer.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Consulted on design and wording of signage for Dunham Park with village historian Kathleen Johnson and IMK Designs.