

**RESOLUTION NO. 61-2019**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE BOARD OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF A FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM AND COMMITTING FUNDS FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the City of Abilene adopted Ordinance No. 66-2013 creating a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 2, establishing certain economic development incentives to encourage and promote private investment within the City of Abilene Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 2; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the City of Abilene is considering the establishment of a Façade Improvement Grant Program for implementation within the boundaries of Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 2; and

**WHEREAS**, façade improvement grants are considered eligible activities for Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 2 funding; and

**WHEREAS**, it is understood that grants for eligible façade improvement projects will be made in accordance with established guidelines and policies as promulgated by the City of Abilene Planning and Development Services Department; and

**WHEREAS**, grants awarded through the Façade Improvement Grant Program will be financed in part with funds currently allocated for such use by the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Board; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT BOARD OF THE CITY OF ABILENE TEXAS:**

**PART 1:** That the Board support the efforts of the City of Abilene to create a Façade Improvement Grant Program.

**PART 2:** That the Board support the use of Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 2 funds for such use and delegate grant approval authority to the City Manager or his designee.

**PART 3:** That the funding for this program be limited to \$50,000.00 per year for a three-year period from the date of City Council approval.

**ADOPTED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2019.**

**ATTEST:**

  
Shawna Atkinson, Interim City Secretary

  
Robert "Stormy" Higgins, Vice Chairman

**APPROVED:**

  
for Stanley Smith, City Attorney

