To: Bob Kelly; Eric Hinebauch; Joe McKenney; Rick Tryon; Susan Wolff

Cc: Greg Doyon; Charles Anderson; Krista Artis; Melissa Kinzler; "info@greatfallsbid.com"

Subject: FW:

Date: Monday, April 18, 2022 4:00:18 PM

See Mr. Kaufman's comments for consideration during tomorrow's public hearing on Agenda Item 9 – Resolution 10447.

Lisa Kunz

City Clerk/Records Manager Civic Center Room 204 406.455.8451

From: Lisa C. Kunz

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 3:56 PM

To: 'Brian Kaufman' <kaufmansmenswear@gmail.com>

Subject: RE:

Mr. Kaufman -

Thank you for your comments for Commission consideration of Resolution 10447.

Best regards,

Lisa Kunz

City Clerk/Records Manager Civic Center Room 204 406.455.8451

From: Brian Kaufman < <u>kaufmansmenswear@gmail.com</u>>

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2022 3:36 PM

To: commission < commission@greatfallsmt.net >

Subject:

Dear City Commissioners and Mayor Kelly,

I am writing on behalf of _Kaufmans Menswear_ in support of agenda item #9 regarding the expansion of the Business Improvement District. This is a very important step in the Downtown revitalization efforts that are taking place. The BID is essential to the beautification of Downtown, and this expansion will allow for inclusion of those efforts, making downtown more inviting and safer for residents and visitors. Trash removal, graffiti removal, flowers, trees and public art are only a few of the things that the BID does for our Downtown and expanding the

boundaries to add more of these efforts is crucial.

The BID is an integral part of the amazing growth that is taking place in Downtown Great Falls. The BID is one of many partners that has helped new and old businesses grow in the core of our beautiful city.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

Brian Kaufman

President

Kaufmans Menswear Center

Please don't hesitate to call with any questions.

To: Bob Kelly; Eric Hinebauch; Joe McKenney; Rick Tryon; Susan Wolff

Cc: Greg Doyon; Charles Anderson; Krista Artis; Melissa Kinzler; "info@greatfallsbid.com"

Subject: FW: City Commission 4/19 Agenda Item #9 Res. 10447

Date: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 9:24:00 AM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

Good Morning – see Mr. Etzwiler's comments pertaining to Agenda Item 9, Resolution 10447, set for public hearing this evening.

Thank you.

Lisa

From: Lisa C. Kunz

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 9:22 AM

To: 'Shane Etzwiler' <setzwiler@GreatFallsChamber.org> **Subject:** RE: City Commission 4/19 Agenda Item #9 Res. 10447

Good Morning Shane -

Thank you for submitting written comments. Your comments will be shared with the Commission and appropriate staff for consideration of this item this evening.

Lisa Kunz

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From: Shane Etzwiler < setzwiler@GreatFallsChamber.org>

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 8:52 AM

To: commission < commission@greatfallsmt.net >

Cc: Shane Etzwiler < setzwiler@GreatFallsChamber.org>; Joan Redeen < info@greatfallsbid.com>

Subject: Re: City Commission 4/19 Agenda Item #9 Res. 10447

Good morning!

I am writing in regards to the City Commission meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 Agenda Item #9 Resolution 10447 – Expanding the Boundaries of the Great Falls Business Improvement District. I may not be able to stay for this portion of the meeting for this agenda item as I have another commitment, so I am submitting my comments.

As President/CEO of the Great Falls Area Chamber of Commerce as well as a stakeholder on the Downtown Development Partnership, I am writing in favor of expanding the Great Falls Business Improvement District. We have seen tremendous growth in our downtown area in the last 5-6 years and a vibrancy that is attracting people of all ages downtown.

Much of this growth is due to the continual development of vacant space bringing in new retailers, restaurants, and entertainment of all kinds for people to enjoy. Our Business Improvement District is an 'economic level' that has been able to drive and support much of this growth!

The expansion of the district will continue to provide additional opportunities for growth and development!

I encourage the city commission to vote in favor of expanding the Great Falls Business Development District.

Thank you for your efforts in helping our community grow!

Shane Etzwiler
President/CEO
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Cc: Greg Doyon; Charles Anderson; Krista Artis; Melissa Kinzler; "info@greatfallsbid.com"

Subject: FW: Resolution 10447 - BID expansion **Date:** Tuesday, April 19, 2022 10:58:16 AM

See comments from Andy Ferrin pertaining to Agenda Item 9, public hearing on Resolution 10447 BID Expansion.

Lisa

From: Lisa C. Kunz

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 10:56 AM **To:** 'andy ferrin' <andy_ferrin@hotmail.com> **Subject:** RE: Resolution 10447 - BID expansion

Thank you for your written comments Andy. Your comments will be shared with the Commission and appropriate staff for consideration of this item tonight.

Best regards,

Sisa Kunz

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From: andy ferrin <andy_ferrin@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 10:34 AM

To: commission < commission@greatfallsmt.net> **Subject:** Resolution 10447 - BID expansion

Dear commissioners and mayor,

I want to voice my support in the BID expansion.

I sat on the BID for 8 years and chaired it for 6. Expansion was something that we always wanted to accomplish. We attempted expansion once but the business and community climate was different back then so we stuck with just renewal.

As a business owner of 4 businesses downtown and owner of 3 buildings - I strong support the expansion efforts.

We have a thriving and growing downtown community and the expansion will only complement our growth.

Thank you
Andy Ferrin
Property and business owner
Ferrins furniture - 308 1st ave south.
Enbar and the Block - #4 5th street south
The Newberry - 420 central ave.

To: Bob Kelly; Eric Hinebauch; Joe McKenney; Rick Tryon; Susan Wolff

Cc: Greg Doyon; Charles Anderson; Krista Artis; Melissa Kinzler; "info@greatfallsbid.com"

Subject: FW: AGENDA ITEM #9

Date: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 10:59:12 AM

See comments from Ashley Forde pertaining to Agenda Item 9, public hearing on Resolution 10447 BID Expansion.

Lisa

From: Lisa C. Kunz

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 10:57 AM **To:** 'Ashley Forde' <Ashley.Forde@fib.com>

Subject: RE: AGENDA ITEM #9

Thank you for your written comments Ashley. Your comments will be shared with the Commission and appropriate staff for consideration of this item tonight.

Best regards,

Lisa Kunz

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From: Ashley Forde <<u>Ashley.Forde@fib.com</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2022 10:34 AM

To: commission < commission@greatfallsmt.net >

Subject: AGENDA ITEM #9

Hi there.

Please see my attached letter in support of agenda item #9 regarding the expansion of the Business Improvement District. As a Great Falls professional, mother and wife to a local business owner, the BID has positively impacted our experience downtown / our business through pedlet programs, graffiti removal, community events and networking opportunities.

We appreciate your consideration.

Thanks

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April 19, 2022

Dear City Commissioners and Mayor Kelly,

I am writing on behalf of First Interstate Bank in support of agenda item #9 regarding the expansion of the Business Improvement District. This is a very important step in the Downtown revitalization efforts that are taking place. The BID is essential to the beautification of Downtown, and this expansion will allow for inclusion of those efforts, making downtown more inviting and safer for residents and visitors. Trash removal, graffiti removal, flowers, trees and public art are only a few of the things that the BID does for our Downtown and expanding the boundaries to add more of these efforts is crucial.

Thank you for your consideration,

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