September 3, 2026 Council Agenda Briefing				
Item	**Question/Request and who made by**	**Responsible Staff/ Dept.**	**CM/ ACM**	**Staff response/update**
Other Items: Comprehensive Plan and UDO Update Process	ST: Requests historical funding decisions/budget allocations (pre Helene) designated for Downtown and River Arts design guidelines.	Chris Collins	BW	In a previous budget year (FY24), $50,000 had been placed in Planning's "Contracted Services" budget and noted for efforts to rewrite the City's Downtown Design Standards. As the City worked through difficult budgetary constraints after Tropical Storm Helene, these funds were included in reductions that took place at the same time on and around early February of 2025. Prior to the storm, staff had done extensive work with a working group comprised of members from the Downtown Commission, Historic Resources Commission, and Design Review Committee. Through this work, it was realized that the allocated funds would have only covered a portion of the funding that would be needed for the redrafting of the guidelines.