

### Auburn Council Approves Final Downtown Improvement Grants

The Auburn City Council Monday night approved a resolution to approve use of Community Development Block Grant Commercial Rehab Funding as recommended by the Revitalization Review Committee. Mayor Scott Kudrna talked about this latest round of funding. ( play audio :16 seconds )

Monday's action will be the final projects funded with the CDBG funds. In all more than \$330,000 in grants and loans have been awarded. ( play audio :52 seconds )

The Auburn Council also approved use of funding by the Keep Auburn Beautiful Committee to help build a new house on an empty lot. Mayor Kudrna explains a shift in spending from tearing down to building up is taking place. ( play audio :50 seconds )

The Mayor explained it is difficult to get new construction on some of the lots that have been cleared previously. ( play audio :15 seconds )

Mayor Kudrna says TCB Construction will be building a house on an empty lot on 11th Street. ( play audio :18 seconds )

The Council also approved two ordinances accepting bids sold at auction this past weekend. Four lots in the Sheridan addition north of the Shell Station sold for \$15,500 and two lots in the Crestview Addition sold for \$8,000 total. The Sheridan lots had been purchased by the Auburn Development Corporation seven years ago, and the lots became City Property. The purchaser is hoping to build a business at that location.

The Crestview lots will hopefully become the site of some new housing.