



June 5, 2019

TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
-AND-
Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: July 2, 2019 – Consent Item
Business Assistance for Neighborhood Corridors (BANC)
Program Grants

The Neighborhood Services Division administers the Business Assistance for Neighborhood Corridors (BANC) Program, which coordinates Orange County services for economic development in targeted corridors. On March 20, 2012, the Board of County Commissioners approved the BANC Program to revitalize commercial corridors suffering from a lack of investment and financial support. The BANC Program reimburses businesses up to \$10,000 for costs associated with improving or opening a business. Some of the allowable projects are conventional rezoning. Submittal fees for commercial projects, demolition costs, bringing structures up to code, and façade improvements to the structure.

Businesses applying to the BANC Program must attend an informational session about the program and submit an application with three quotes. A Business Assistance Team made up of relevant Orange County staff reviews all applications. The staff team reviews the applications based on project feasibility, benefit to the community, and to ensure the project complies with Orange County's urban design standards, permitting requirements, and appropriate Orange County codes.

The staff recommends approval of Café Caobana and Portillo Immigration Law grant applications dated July 2019 (see Attachments A and B).

Action Requested: Approval of the July 2019 Business Assistance for Neighborhood Corridors (BANC) Program Grants for Café Caobana (\$5,000) and Portillo Immigration Law (\$10,000). District 3

JVW/JR/kdj
Attachment

Business Assistance for Neighborhood Corridors Program Profile

Business Name: Café Caobana
73 S. Semoran Blvd., Orlando, FL

Request Amount: \$5,000

Commission District: 3 – Mayra Uribe

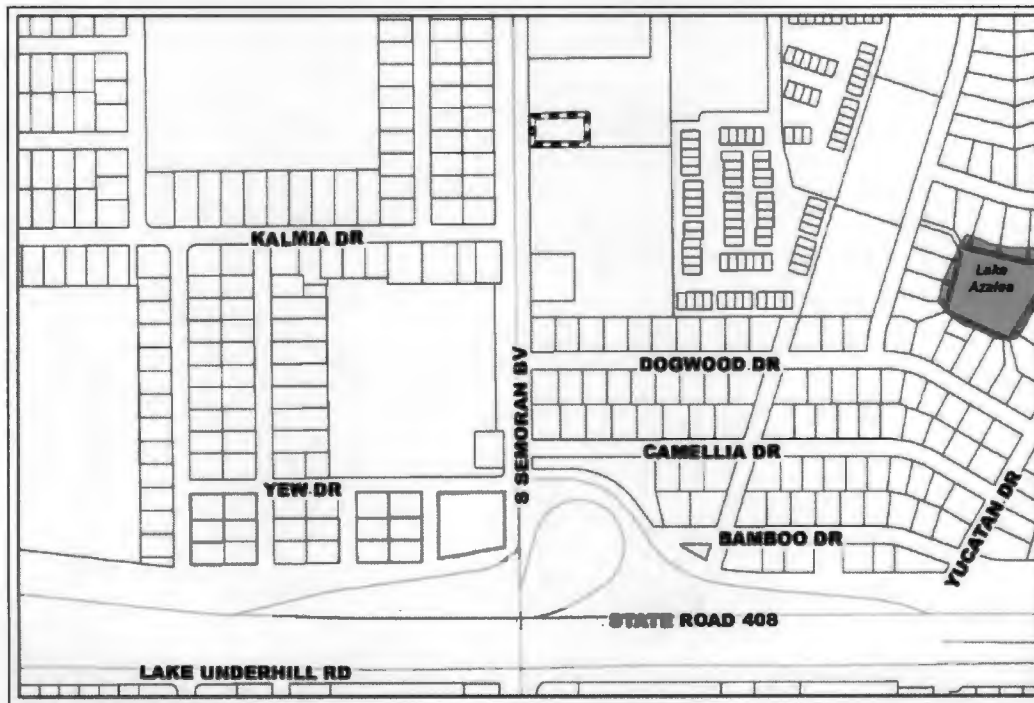
Total Project Cost: \$5,000

Municipality Jurisdiction: Unincorporated Orange County

Project Type: Awning

Owner/Renter: Owner

Summary: The business wants to install a front awning. The applicant has already improved the appearance of the business by repairing the patio through a previous BANC application in 2015. The applicant now wishes to improve the business further by placing an awning across the front patio.



Business Assistance for Neighborhood Corridors Program Profile

Business Name: Portillo Immigration Law 594-628 N. Semoran Blvd., Orlando, FL	Request Amount: \$10,000
Commission District: 3 – Mayra Uribe	Total Project Cost: \$10,000
Municipality Jurisdiction: Unincorporated Orange County	Project Type: Demolition
Owner/Renter: Owner	

Summary: The applicant wants to demolish existing structures that are in disrepair. Removing the structures will help prepare the site for construction.

