

# SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

## **Item 35: Parks and Recreation Department Main Street Revitalization**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee  
From: Natural Resources Subcommittee  
Carrier: Representative Owens

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The Natural Resources Subcommittee heard a request from the Parks and Recreation Department on the Main Street Revitalization grant program.

The Main Street Revitalization grant program provides funding to acquire, rehabilitate, and construct buildings on properties in designated downtown areas statewide to facilitate community revitalization. The program has been supported by lottery bond proceeds. The May 2025 bond sale provided \$10 million in net proceeds, and the Parks and Recreation Department requests \$10 million in Other Funds expenditure limitation for grant delivery in the current biennium.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means include an increase of \$10,000,000 in Other Funds expenditure limitation for the Parks and Recreation Department in a budget reconciliation bill during the 2026 legislative session for the Main Street Revitalization grant program.