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Re: Weekly Report

- I'm pressing USDA and Misty about both the census block/LMI numbers and a possible USDA funding stream to set up a non-profit redevelopment corporation to deal with a future school closure. This could only strengthen the case for the Neighborhood Development Area designation. I am still waiting for mapping on the flood plain from [TRORPC](#) but this is not causing a delay at this point.
- You have a copy of the American Towers application for a Certificate of Public Good amendment. There are no local permit triggers and there are really no issues from the planning and zoning angle.
- I will be warning the hearing for a cannabis dispensary at 512 Main for a Feb. 14 hearing date.
- A subdivision will be heard the same night for a pair of lots off Bracket Road.
- Barrett Brown has been in touch about the renovation of the Gryphon section of Chapman's. They are looking at 5 additional housing units in both the barn and the rear ell of the main building. This is a project that only makes sense because of state funding for historic buildings. An observation, I don't have a problem with historic preservation funding, but they need to stop rolling it into funding for housing. I believe one of the pressures on the per square foot and unit costs is that historic preservation is being tacked onto housing expenditures.
- Eric Tyler has been in contact about the Hollywood Motel property. The main house is apparently in surprisingly good condition. The cabins are a different [story](#) and he is looking at renovating 4 of them and removing the rest. This nets us another 5 housing units.
- I have reviewed Wanye's draft for the Solid Waste Disposal and Burning Ordinance and with whatever tweaks you find necessary I highly recommend its passage.