

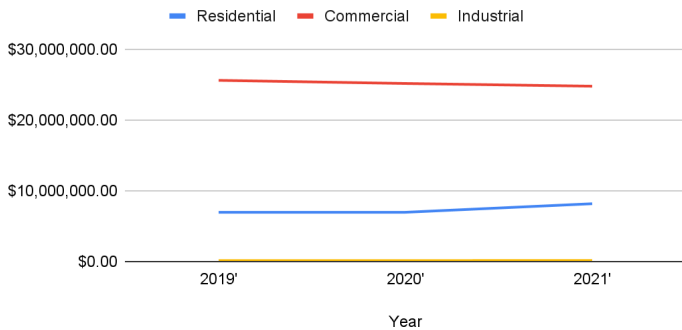
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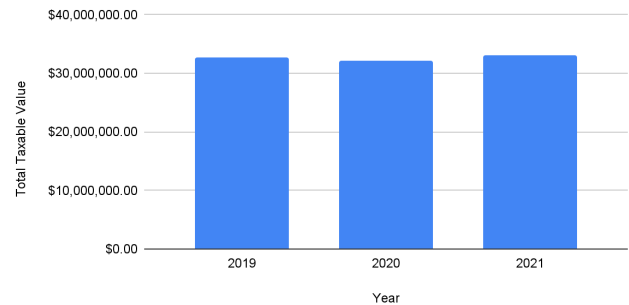
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Filer DDA District: Taxable Value by Class 2019-2021

Percent Change 17% Residential, -3% Commercial, 3% Industrial



Filer DDA District: Total Taxable Value (Residential, Commercial, Industrial) 2019-2021

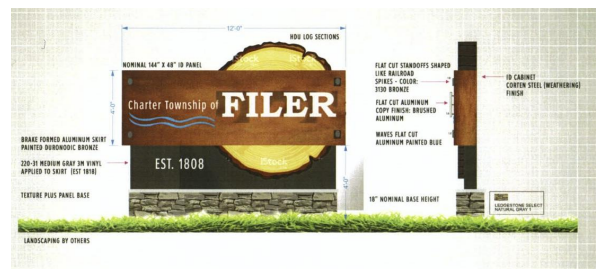


Current Contracts

- Latitude 44 Consulting to provide administrative and professional economic development services to the DDA.
- Hometown Decorations and Display to provide Holiday decorations on the light posts within the DDA district
- Olson, Bzdok, & Howard to provide legal services to the DDA.
- Amor Sign Studios to design and install a “Welcome to Filer” sign at the southern edge of the DDA district.
- Integrated Architecture to provide conceptual planning services for the Township Board owned land between Merkey and Red Apple Road (The Hamlet in Filer Township).
- Cherry Capital to assist the DDA in purchasing property within the DDA District.

Current Activities

- **Hamlet Project:** Continue to provide project management services to the Township Board to complete the conceptual planning for the Hamlet in Filer Township project. Project completion anticipated in November 2021.
- **Purchasing Property:** Upon confirmation of a few critical details, will purchase 4.4 acres of land located on US31 between Merkey and Red Apple Road with the intent to use the property to provide US31 access to the Hamlet in Filer Township project, some retail, and residential units. Purchase anticipated to be completed late October 2021.
- **Community Development & Placemaking:** Finalizing the location of the Welcome to Filer Sign. Install of the sign to occur late 2021.
- **Business Growth:** Initiating a Business Incubation competition to be held in late spring or early fall 2022.
- **Business Retention:** Monitoring the tenants and working closely with building owners to stabilize current tenants and find new tenants.



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- **Business Attraction:** Working to recruit businesses and entrepreneurs by contacting them directly and showing vacant properties.

Past Accomplishments & Activities

- Initiated and paid for a large-scale community planning visioning initiative (2016) that resulted in the “Corridor Analysis Plan” that led the way for the gifting of the Hamlet property in the DDA district to the Township and revealed the strong desire for walkability in the corridor..
- Initiated, project managed, and provided professional services for an attempt to amend the Commercial Zoning district. Amendment to the district failed to progress. (2017)
- Provided a wastewater collection system for the district.(2018)
- Updated DDA portion of the Township website. (2019)
- Amended the DDA Development Plan (2019).
- Completed a Retail Market Study (2020) to provide invaluable data to entrepreneurs and to guide DDA decision making.
- Partnered with the Ramsdell Theatre funding the majority of the cost of a musical event held in the Kmart parking lot during Covid-19 to provide some levity and community connection during the shut down period of the pandemic. Much appreciation must be extended to the Filer Township Fire Department for providing emergency services for the event.
- Provided the Township with a “Welcome to Filer” sign. To be completed in 2021. (2021)
- Initiated and paid a large share of the professional architecture, concept planning, and developer recruitment for the Township Board owned property between Merkey and Red Apple Road in order to develop much needed housing, commercial uses, and create a town center.
- DDA Executive Director wrote, on behalf of the Township Board, a grant to help pay the Township Board’s portion of IA services. (2021)
- Provided professional project management services to the Township Board for the Hamlet in Filer Township conceptual planning project. (2021)
- Conducted DDA Board strategic planning which set the direction for implementing the DDA Development Plan for the next 5 years. (2021)

Township Board Presentation and Public Information Meeting Schedule for Fiscal year 2021-22

Township Board Presentations

Oct. 5, 2021

Jan. 4, 2022

April 5, 2022

July 5, 2022

DDA Public Information Meetings

Oct. 5, 2021

Jan. 4, 2022