

April 17, 2023

Michigan Municipal League Foundation 1675 Green Road Ann Arbor, MI 48105-2530

Dear grant committee,

On behalf of the Village of Spring Lake and the Spring Lake DDA, I am pleased to offer this letter of support for the Laker Alley. The installation of furniture, fixtures and art in this underutilized alleyway will serve as a quiet respite for locals and visitors alike. Patrons of Mama Mia's Pizza will have a place to enjoy their food outside, Field's Fabrics will have a gathering place for partners to relax while patron's shop for quilting supplies and most importantly, visitors will feel welcome to stop and enjoy downtown Spring Lake.

The contiguous business owners wholeheartedly endorse this grant application, and they continue to support placemaking efforts by our DDA. Spring Lake has been blessed with a great deal of reinvestment since the pandemic; property owners acknowledge that we have to reevaluate how we all do business. Our public/private partnerships continue to flourish and we hope you wish to be part of that movement.

We hope that you look favorably upon this application as we work to create awesome spaces in downtown Spring Lake.

Fondly,

Christine Burns Village Manager