

Stay ahead of the curve. Get lease-ready.

Property owner incentive

Looking to make interior or exterior improvements? **Garage to Storefront 2.0** can help you attract or retain tenants with a new improvement incentive option offering two great benefits between July 1, 2017, and June 30, 2018.

REMODEL – \$0 for City-related improvement permits to remodel existing vacant commercial space.

FACADE IMPROVEMENT – \$0 for City-related façade improvement permits for a vacant or occupied commercial space.

To qualify, a property must:

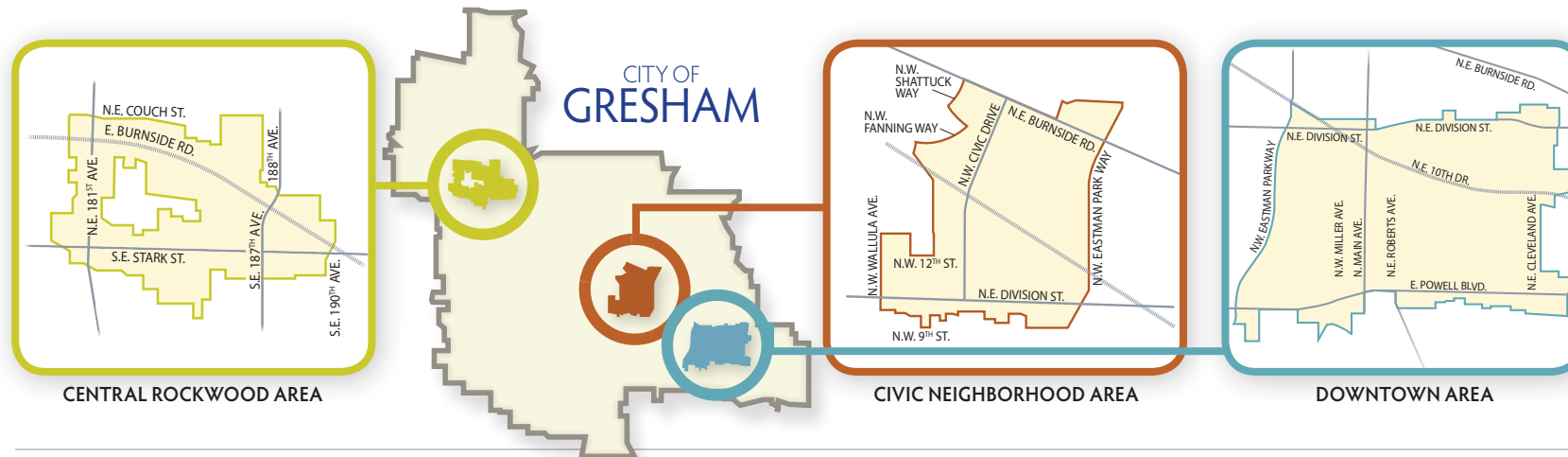
- **Be located** in Downtown, Civic Neighborhood or Central Rockwood. (See map)

- **Update** existing construction, not undertake brand-new construction.
- **Not exceed** 5,000 square feet for each leasable tenant space; total building must not exceed 30,000 square feet.
- **Sign** an agreement with the City covering terms, obligations, timelines, etc.



Keith Moskowitz, owner of Bishops Barbershop at 639 N.W. Division St.

Start or expand your business in our **Central Rockwood, Civic Neighborhood** or **Downtown** incentive zones. Or put a better facade forward with our new improvement incentive for property owners in these same areas.



Find vacant properties with our Small Business mobile app. Search for "Gresham SBC" in app stores.



WE WANT YOU HERE

Garage to Storefront 2.0

SMALL BUSINESS CENTER

↑ Steve Krause, owner of Hoppy Brewery, 328 N. Main Ave.

GARAGE TO STOREFRONT IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY:



PROGRAM DOES NOT COVER:

- Corporate or franchise stores with more than three existing locations.
- Government offices or agencies.
- Businesses or properties that:
 1. Exclude minors at all hours.
 2. Create new construction.
 3. Have a drive-thru.
 4. Must obtain a Type II or Type III Community Service Permit. (example: childcare facilities)

Come join us. We're invested in your success.

Our successful **Garage to Storefront** program has earned rave reviews and grabbed national attention for waiving City fees and charges for qualifying businesses in Gresham's key commercial districts – the historic **Downtown** and the **Civic** and **Central Rockwood** neighborhoods.

Now we are bringing it back – and making it even better – by adding a new incentive that helps property owners prime commercial spaces for future businesses or upgrade them for existing tenants. So whether you are an entrepreneur looking for a start-up space, or a property owner looking to make some strategic improvements, **Garage to Storefront 2.0** is ready to support, encourage and assist you in that next important step.

We're going all-out to create vibrant places where people and businesses want to be.

SAVORING SUCCESS

Thanks to our previous **Garage to Storefront** program, more than 140 small businesses have opened in Gresham. That's 140 entrepreneurs making their dreams come true. These small business owners saved more than \$170,000 in City fees, hired or retained more than 300 employees, and occupied more than 225,000 square feet of commercial space.



↑
Chef Austin Jones
of the **Local Cow**,
336 N. Main St.

“The Garage to Storefront program was huge for our business. We saved thousands of dollars in fees and were able to pump that money back into our business.”

— Chris Rhyne,
Local Cow co-owner

You want a place to start
or expand your business.

We're looking for entrepreneurs
to build their dreams here in Gresham.

Start up, or size up, with us.

New or expanding business incentive

Between July 1, 2017, and June 30, 2018, take advantage of space

within specific commercial areas and City-related fees and charges for new or expanding businesses will be waived including:

- Business license fees.
- Commercial tenant improvement permit fees (building/sign permits etc.).
- System development charges (SDCs).

TO QUALIFY, A BUSINESS MUST:

- **Operate** in the designated areas of Downtown, Civic Neighborhood or Central Rockwood.
- **Occupy** no more than 5,000 square feet of existing vacant commercial space.
- **Be** a new business or an existing business expanding by at least 10 percent.
- **Sign** an agreement with the City covering terms, obligations, timelines, etc.

Some restrictions apply.

For details, visit GreshamOregon.gov/SmallBusiness.
For more information, or to confirm eligibility, contact the Small Business Center at 503-618-2872 or SmallBusiness@GreshamOregon.gov.



↑
Janelle Mikula
(pictured) and
Debbie Eggers
co-own **iCandy**
at 312 N. Main
Ave.

For a
boundary
map see
reverse side.