7th Avenue Visioning/Branding

Desired Outcomes Upon Completion •District and Community Input: Department staff can assist with development of digital (survey) and facilitating focus groups or public input to gain buy in for the district's brand. This input may also be used as a primer for additional community discussions and master planning processes.

•District visioning: Narrowing in on a vision for the district that promotes the authentic assets as a unique district while also a part of the overall downtown experience

•Brand Position and Naming/Syntax: The district currently is referred to as a few combinations of names (Historic 7th Avenue District, 7th Avenue Historic District, 7th Avenue Depot District, Historic 7th Avenue Depot District, and a combination of using the numerical 7 and spelled "seventh"). The final project should result in a determined syntax for the district.

•District Logo: A district logo that is complementary to the Downtown "H" and which can be used for a variety of functions, including signage and marketing collateral. All three finalists have experience and expertise in place-based consulting which includes:



- Community & Downtown Planning
- Visioning & Strategic planning
- Place branding and marketing





Elkin, MC. in the heart of North Carolina with suminy, is quickly becoming known across the state as an exideer recreation trail town and winer destination. But Elkin's small DMD needed an ethaul and a more rebust brand strategy to ph item onto the national radar of wine afficienade's and trail hounds. Our new "Explore Elkin", "Find Year Trail" brand enhancement and strategy she do the brick. To be revealed in 2021.





Destination by Design

Motley's Town Brands:

HAW RIVER, NC

Project Name: Community Branding | "Our River, Our Town"

ect Description: Motley Local facilitated the creation and rollout of Haw unity brand and tagline in 2020. This community-informed brand was created for es, organizations, and residents to build place attachment and showcase pride to elevate Haw River, as the neighboring Mebane and East Burlington continue to develop and grow at exponential rates. Motley conducted community workshops remotely during the beginning of the COVID pane emic to create the tagline "Our River. Our Town." T-shirts, stickers, hats, and lawn signs can be purchased at their Town Hall. Motley launched a Haw River town Instagram in tandem with th

ment. Since the creation of this brand, seven I

GIBSONVILLE. NC

GRAHAM. NC

Project Name: Community Branding | "Classic, Creative, Connected Project Description: Motley facilitated the creation and the rollout of brand was created for small businesses, organizations, and community memb

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Project Name: Community Branding | "Love Graham"

Project Description: Motley Local facilitated the creation and the rollout of Love Graham, a community informed brand that was created for small busine bers to build place attachment and showcase pride of place during a pivotal time of growth for Graham, North Carolina. Motley Local conducted a strategic plan with a nity organization to produce the best results for brand rollout and worked with a local graphi ce the visual. Motley Local created a website for the brand to live, e and downloadable for community use. This allowed stakeholders to download and tweak the logo for their own needs. The logos received thousands of downloads and were seen visually throughout unity on t-shirts, stickers, merchant window clings, bumper stickers, a comr and a city-wide "Love Graham" festival. Motley Local also facilitated a Graham specific Instagram i ndem with the brand to highlight growth in the area and ensure accurate and inclusive st

of all community members. The project was funded in November of 2017 and made accessible

Motley Local



Arnett Muldrow

Selection Committee – Participants who reviewed and interviewed top 3 consultants

- Downtown Community Character Team members -
 - Matthew Hickman, Underground Bakery (Downtown Advisory Board Vice Chair)
 - Caroline Gunther, Wag! A Unique Pet Boutique (Downtown Advisory Board Chair)
 - Linda DiPaola, Property Owner in 7th Avenue
 - Patsy DuPre, Downtown Volunteer (Downtown Advisory Board)
- Additional stakeholders:
 - Julie & Phil Wilmot Art on 7th
 - Michelle Owens, executive director of Henderson County Tourism Development Authority
 - Lyle Chariff 7th Avenue Property Owner
 - Myrtle O'Neal Resident Green Meadows

With support & staff feedback by Community Development Department – Downtown division staff, planning manager

Selection Criteria & Evaluation Metrics

- Skills/Creativity: Portfolio of work that demonstrates technical and creative execution, particularly for similar projects.
- **Resources/capability:** Business experience, staff, skills and expertise, projects of note, project management, methodology, ability to meet milestones.
- Approach to Public Input and Engagement
- Additional consideration may be given for future projects to firms that offer downtown master planning services.

Process for Evaluation

- Virtual interviews with each consultant. Interviews were recorded so anyone who could not attend were able to watch.
- Surveys based on the selection criteria were distributed and submitted to score consultants
- Unanimous recommendation was for Arnett Muldrow (Greenville, SC) Contract for \$10,500
- Downtown Advisory Board voted to recommend Arnett Muldrow as 7th Avenue Branding/Visioning consultant

Next Steps

- March Present to City Council, Interview finalists of RFP selection process.
- April-May Select consulting firm
- June Public Hearing
- Summer Launch project, including timeline for public meetings and public participation using guidance from firm; Community input during Farmers Market and other events; Public meetings and information gathering
- Late Summer/Fall Complete visioning & begin implementation of new style/logo

Presentation by Arnett Muldrow



7th AVENUE VISIONING

JUNE 2, 2022





ABOUT ARNETT MULDROW

- Celebrating 20 years of downtown planning, community development, and place branding.
- Based in Greenville, SC
- Worked with over 500 communities in 40 states and 5 countries.
- Worked with Hendersonville on downtown brand in 2007 still used today.
- Extensive understanding of regional market and North Carolina communities.

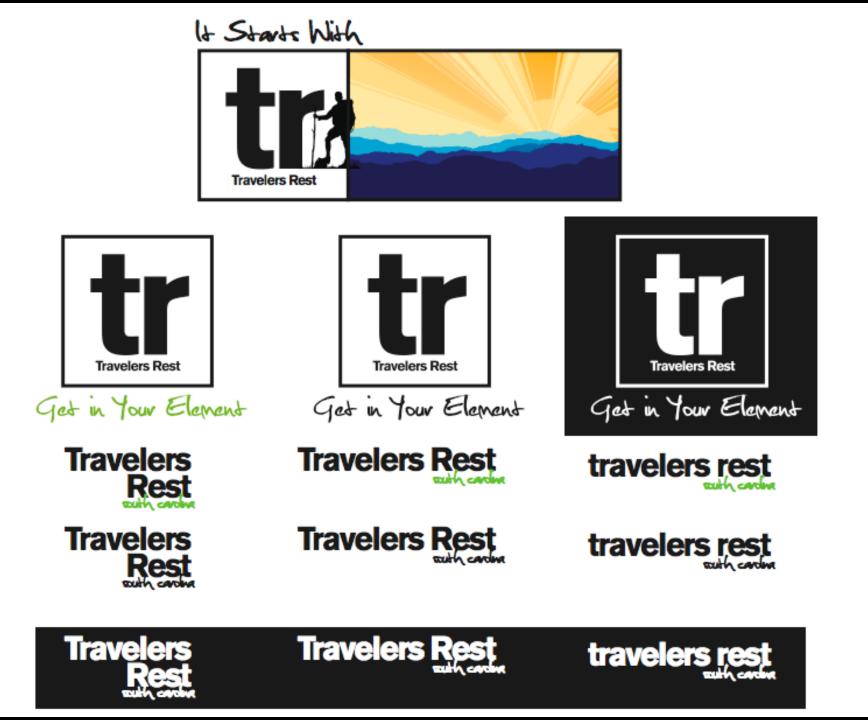
OUR PROCESS

- Intensive stakeholder involvement.
- "Charrette" style process for rapid immersion, delivery of concepts in a compact, efficient process.
- Array of tools provided: a brand is more than a logo.
- Time frame: conduct work session upon project award, turn-around within six weeks of initial concepts.
- Implementation workshop.

Travelers Rest, SC

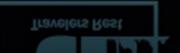
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For More info on Travelers Rest, go to www.gotr.com

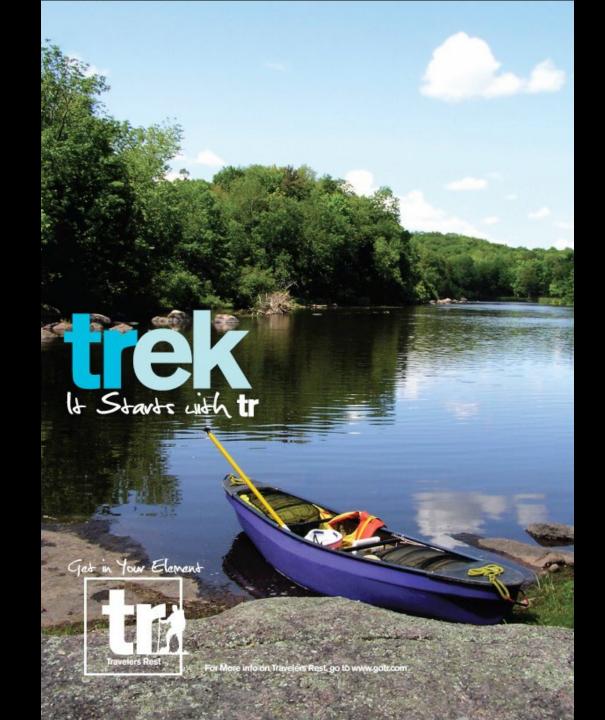




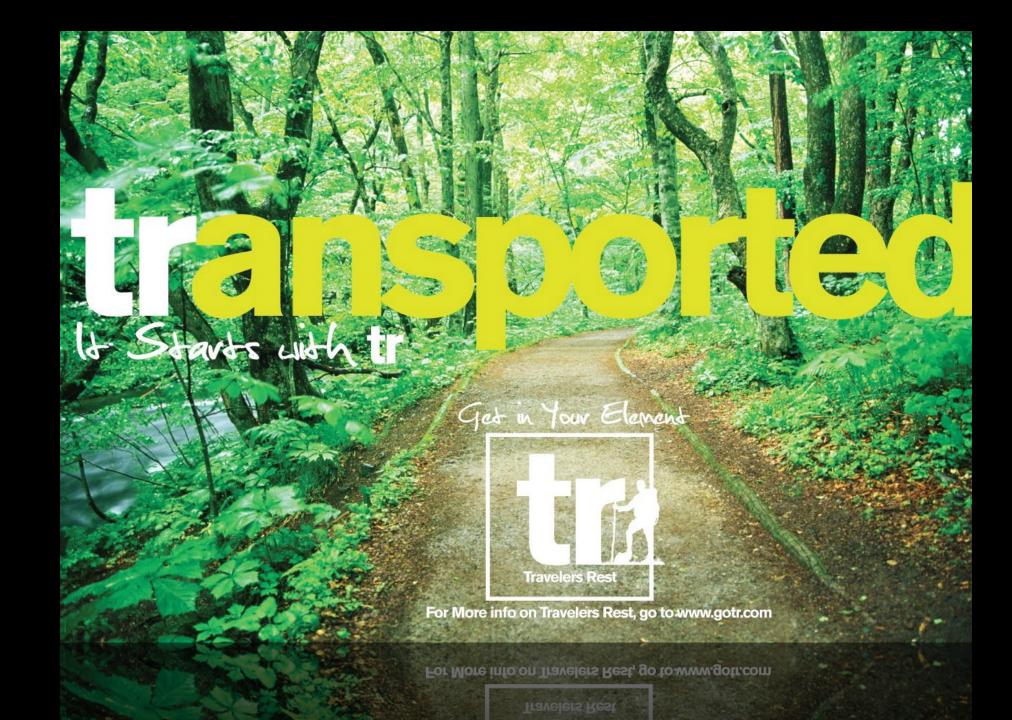


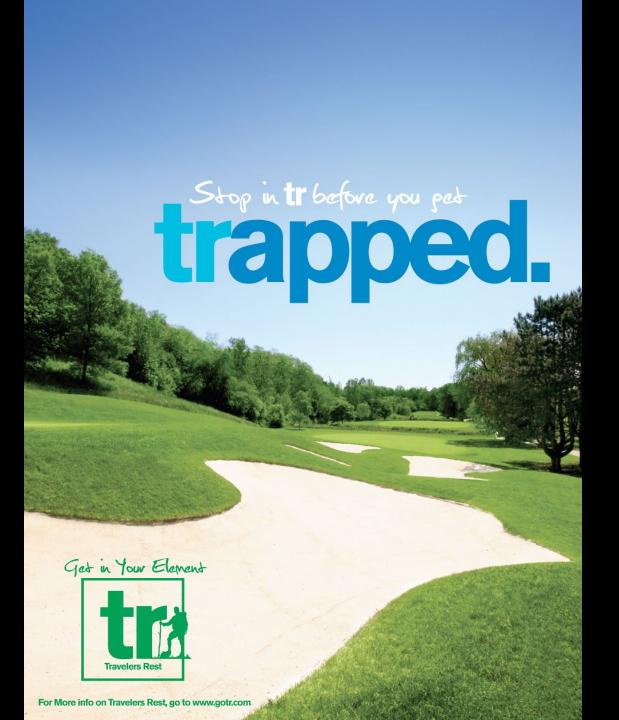












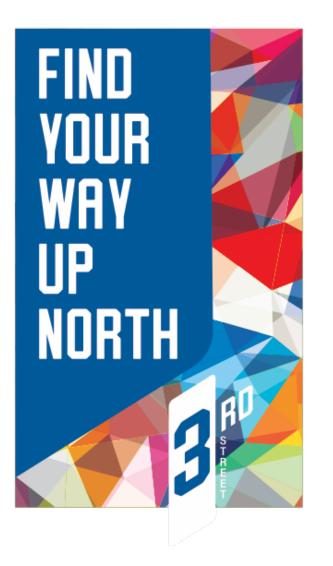












Find Your Way Up North











DELIVERABLES

- Logo and tagline designs for the Seventh Avenue District plus brand extensions as desired by the client.
- Refinement of the "H" logo as the client sees fit.
- Brand narrative for the district.
- Gateway designs and potential wayfinding extension as desired by the client.
- Custom banner designs applicable to the Client and other initiative partners if desired.
- Print and digital formats.
- Ad templates and marketing concepts.
- Other collateral pieces as desired by the Client
- All related photography.
- Resource package with all deliverables.
- Style guide for brand implementation.
- Brand presentation on PowerPoint.
- Release granting ownership of all intellectual property to the Client.

BRANDSCORE MAIN STREET

	Point Value	Your Score	Opportunity
Do You Have A Defined Typeface?	5 pts		
Do You Have A Color Palette?	5 pts		
Do You Have An Organization Logo?	5 pts		
Do You Have An Destination Logo?	5 pts		
Do Your Committes Have Logos?	2 pts		
Do You Have A Styleguide?	5 pts		
Do You Have An Org Branded Presentation Template?	2 pts		
Do You Have An Org Branded Business Card, Letterhead & Envelope?	2 pts/ 6 max		
Is Your Org Logo On Your Website?	5 pts		
Do You Have An Org Brochure?	5 pts		
Is Your Org Logo Your Facebook Profile?	3 pts		
Is Your Logo Your Instagram Profile?	3 pts		
Do You Know What Twitter Is For?	3 pts		
Do You Have A Traditional Or Electronic Newsletter?	2 pts		
Do You Have A Uniform Hashtag?	2 pts		
Do Our Events Amplify Our Brand?	5 pts/20 max		
Does Your Gateway Include Your Logo?	5 pts		
Your Street Banners Feature Your Destination Brand.	3 pts		
Do You Make Your Volunteers Feel Part Of The Brand?	5 pts		
Do You Address Parking With Your Brand?	5 pts		
Is There Logo Apparel?	2 pts		
Member Or Investor Benefits	2 pts		

BRANDACTION

Adopt Brand

Board Adoption

Technical Integration

Install Fonts
 Copy Brand Folder to Local Drive
 Share Brand Link with Design Partners

Social Media

- Update Facebook Profile
 Update Instagram Profile
 Update Twitter Profile
 Update Pinterest Profile
- Load Photos as gallery in Facebook
- Create Pinterest Board with Brand Elements

Communication

Update Email Signature
 Adopt Powerpoint Template
 Adopt Digital Letterhead
 Upload Brand Materials to Email Newsletter
 Adopt Envelope Template
 Printer Updated Business Cards

Online

Update Colors on Webpage
 Add New Graphics
 Update Favicon
 Add Brand Statement to Website
 Add Styleguide Request
 Add Brand Resources Page

Collateral

Share Brand Resources

Share Merchandising Examples
Share Brand Partner Idea List

Wayfinding

Plan Strategic Banner Strategy
 Plan Event Banner Strategy
 Explore Partnering for Comprehensive Wayfinding System

Printing

- Shopping & Dining Guide
 Organization Brochure
 Parking Cards
 Partner Banners
 Visit Cards
- Hours Signs

Event Extension

- Logo Adoption
 Social Integration
 Marketing Integration
- Merchandise Expansion
 Signage
- Volunteer Swag

BrandLaunch Strategy Guide

This list is a pretty comprehensive list of implementation ideas. Their is no proper order, but instead carving the path that is right based off your budget, resources, and current collection of communication tools.



BRANDTOUCH

Other



How to be a **Brand Partner**

From here, it's completely up to you, your community, your event, or your organization. There's no proper order, only the things that make sense for you!

Brand Merchandise
 Hats T-Shirts Coffee Cups Decals Bumper Stickers Bags Shopping Bags Cycling Jerseys Pint Glasses Guitar Picks Water Bottles Outdoor Gear Polo Shirts Climbing Chalk Bags Hiking Stick Medallions Rain Jackets Guitar Straps Koozies Socks Invent Something!

Check off one of the suggestions, and you are a Brand Partner!

ABOUT ARNETT MULDROW

THANK YOU!

Questions?

Public Hearing: 7th Avenue Visioning And Branding Contract

The City Council will hold a public hearing to consider a proposed contract for branding strategy with the apparent successful bidder Arnett Muldrow. The scope of work includes information gathering and background review, community resource visit and public information, draft strategy, implementation workshop and BrandPrint Report which includes a logo and tagline for the 7th Avenue district, refinement of the current downtown "H" logo and recommended uses for the final design. The contract is proposed to be \$10,500. The apparent successful bidder was selected through a competitive bid process pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 160A-536.

