Historic Preservation & Urban Renewal on the Plains

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La Junta
Urban Renewal Authority
Historic Preservation & Urban Renewal “The Old Days”

A Door Opened in 2017

Acting instead of reacting
Following rules set by the board
Encouraging votes and discussion, not just discussion
A realization that blight can be knocked out of the downtown by rehabilitating buildings and strengthening the economic development toolbox

December 11, 2017 to November 8, 2018

• Over a third of the UR Authority is new
• We have invested in two large projects totaling $401,000
• We’ve stopped funding signage and awnings
• We have a plan on what we want to fund and how we want to do it to get the most bang for our buck
• We’re talking about educating owners in the TIF District on how to stretch their rehabilitation dollars
• We have a CLG, a grant in the works for survey and nomination, and a positive attitude