Exterior renovations and/or changes to property in the Arts District Redevelopment Area (refer to map) require Redevelopment Commission approval via their Design Review Committee for the Area. Examples of exterior changes include, but are not limited to: new construction, demolition, building additions, façade renovations, changes in parking lots, landscaping, curb cuts, drainage and new signage or changes to signage.

The first step in the Design Approval process is to Fill out a Design Approval Application form and gather supporting documentation including:

- Photograph of existing conditions including an “establishing shot” (photo of building/site w/respect to the surrounding building/landscape)
- Dimensions, details of proposed change including location and position on building – no larger than 11” X 17”
- Site plan or an illustration/rendering of proposed change including view of the changes with respect to the entire building/site and the surrounding area – no larger than 11” X 17”
- Aerial photo of location with indication where improvements/changes will occur (Google Maps/Earth)
- Samples of colors and/or materials to be used

Submit the gathered documentation to:

Lana J Abel – Senior Project Manager
Department of Metropolitan Development (DMD)
Room 306 Civic Center Complex
Evansville, Indiana 47708-1869
(812) 436-7823
ljabel@evansville.in.gov
cc: jlswatzell@evansville.in.gov

Contact and submit electronic (email) copy of the complete application packet to DMD one week prior to the Design Review Committee meeting. The Committee meets on an as needed basis the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 8:30AM in room 307 Civic Center. The applicant must attend the Design Review Committee meeting and bring all required material samples. If approved, the project can proceed to get other local permits as necessary. Projects which are denial by the Design Review Committee may appeal formally to the Redevelopment Commission.

All applications are subject to review and approval by the Evansville Redevelopment Commission. Approval by the Design Review Committee/Commission does not exempt an applicant from any other required permitting or approvals. Please contact the Area Plan Commission, Room 312 Civic Center, 812-435-5226 and/or the Building Commission, Room 310 Civic Center, 812-436-7879 for other required permits.