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RIBBON CUTTING SET FOR FRIDAY, FEB. 26, AT 4 P.M. FOR CITY RDA PROJECT – MATTOS-INCE BUILDING ON ADOBE ROAD

The Twentynine Palms City Council and Redevelopment Agency are inviting the community to a ribbon cutting ceremony and reception on Friday, February 26, at 4 p.m., to celebrate the completion of an RDA renovation project at 6255-6257-6259 Adobe Road in downtown Twentynine Palms.

The Jerry Mattos and Stephanie Ince commercial building complex, which is home to Steve's Office Supply, Elektric Beach Tanning, and Williams Insurance Inc., represents the first private-public partnership with the City of Twentynine Palms Redevelopment Agency in many years and is an example of what RDA funding was meant to accomplish in revitalizing downtown Twentynine Palms.

Completed this month, the project features a new parking lot, upgraded building façade and signage, and desert landscaping using native plants and rocks. The renovation project utilized local contractors and included the work of two local artists, namely decorative ceramic tiles for the exterior by Janet Braley and stucco work and a monument sign by Aaron Scott, both of Twentynine Palms. Removal of a blighted structure on the property and replacement of landscaping with drought-resistant material were also important aspects of the project.

The ribbon cutting on February 26 will include a few words from Twentynine Palms Mayor Steve Flock and building owner Jerry Mattos. Also to be introduced and acknowledged are Redevelopment Agency Board Executive Director and City Manager Michael Tree and redevelopment consultant Frank Spevacek of RSG, who coordinated the project for the City, and Dee Richhart, CEO of Williams Insurance Inc., who served as Administrative Project Manager for the renovation efforts.

Refreshments will be served following the ribbon cutting at 4 p.m. For more information, call the City of Twentynine Palms at (760)367-6799.

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