A) Because this request could fall within the area of the Commission’s recent Public Hearing, Jo Ann Castle made the motion; that this request be added to the minutes of the Public Hearing, held Tuesday March 5, 2013 as an addendum. Motion seconded by Faye Sanders.

VOTING AYE: Tim Bartley, Jo Ann Castle, Faye Sanders and Delany Herron.
VOTING NAY: None
ABSENT: Roger Cassell
ABSTAINING: None

MOTION CARRIED

A) Jo Ann Castle reports that Helen Smith, the owner of Ivy Cottage, states that she has observed many people nearly fall trying to step across the double curb to do business with her or with Bank of America. She has requested that the Planning Commission examine the possibility of improving access to the south sidewalk on Jackson Street by extending the lower level curb into the sidewalk to make a ‘step’ and add a handrail to make it easier to get from the parking area onto the sidewalk.

Mrs. Smith says that this problem is the same along the south side of the street from the Kane Street intersection to the courthouse and two or three such access points along the street would make it safer. She believes these steps could prevent a serious fall and injury to shoppers on Jackson Street.