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Nominating information for Covington beautification awards:

The Covington Neighborhood Collaborative, the Old Seminary Square Neighborhood Association and some former members of the now defunct Friends of Covington are reviving the annual Covington Beautification Awards program that was launched by the Friends group more than 30 years ago. The following information is being gathered in an effort to recognize some 20 property owners – residential or commercial -- in the city in 2023. It would be helpful if people who make nominations would provide answers to all or at least most of the following questions:

1. Location of property: street number and, if possible, neighborhood 703 Madison Ave. Central Business District
2. Name(s) of property owner or tenant(s) who are responsible for the property Rich's Paper Food and Drink
3. Contact information for the person who has nominated the property as well as for the person or persons who would be a recipient of the award Bill Spencer - Manager. Morganant Bill Whitlow
4. If possible, some information about the person or persons who might be an award recipient. (For example: Mom, dad, two kids and a pooch. Mom teaches school, dad is a firefighter, Bill's in the fifth grade..., etc.)
5. Length of time that the owner or tenant has lived at the address 5 years
6. If possible, information about the architectural style of the home or commercial structure Corner Business - Historic
7. If possible, information about the age of the building Late 1800's
8. What sort of work has been done on the exterior of the building in recent years that makes it worthy of a beautification award? Redo of Building / Resignation of neon sign
9. What sort of work has been completed in the yard or garden or in the overall landscaping treatment that makes it a good candidate for an award? Facade work, Landscaping
10. Is there any information available about previous owners who might have been noteworthy or prominent in the city or the state? Small Bodega
11. Are there any anecdotal stories about the property that might distinguish it in any way from other properties in the city? Used to be Rich's Seminary Square
12. Very broadly, is there anything that might make the property "special" in any way? Locally owned, community focused restaurant.
13. Question for the prospective award winner: Why is it important to take care of the exterior of your property? People walk by all the time, we want to show pride in our business and community
14. Is there any evidence that taking care of your property influences others to do the same? Hopefully eating as a role model sets a tone for others
15. What are the advantages of living in the City of Covington? All the feel of small town community with the access to large amenities.
16. What are the disadvantages of living in the City of Covington? The city is growing, so we are dealing with growing pains. This is a positive for the growth of the city.