

# amestown THE DOWNTOWNER

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registration now open at www.jamestowndowntown.org





## MOVERS AND SHAKERS

#### The Medicine Shoppe/Chatter Pediatric Therapy—703 1st Ave S

Hats off to Matt Perkins on the successful completion of his recent façade/signage/landscaping renovation. Matt used the JDA signage grant to help take a small dent out of the bill. We are thankful for business/property owners like Matt for helping beautify our downtown:





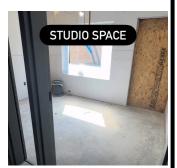
The Art Center- 121 2nd Ave SW

Look for the Grand Opening Celebration coming in November for this truly impressive transformation!

Raising the Bar for the Arts!!







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## Do we need more Parking?

By Lynn Lambrecht, opinions are my own:

Recently, I was asked about parking downtown. And I will say it again. Jamestown does not have a lack of parking spaces. When 3000+ people can pack 1st Avenue for 3 hours on a Wednesday evening when a 4 block area has been blocked off, we do not have a parking spaces issue.

On a more daily basis, we have a parking management issue. And an attraction issue.

But, let's start with the perception that we don't have enough spaces. I challenge you to find a city the size of Jamestown that has more parking spaces. And in all the studies I have read, no downtown has EVER been improved by the addition of parking. It is a distraction from the real issue.

Now, lets talk about attraction. During downtown events, people will find a place to park. We want to be where the action is. The parade, the Arts Market, Rods and Hogs, Block Party, whatever the cause, people like to see other people and have a little fun. They might park further away, they might walk, but by all means—they do not let limited parking stand in their way of enjoying an event.

The best businesses are also an attraction. People will always make their way to the businesses that are a draw. Parking does not draw people to a place. People are drawn to attractions, not the utility that facilitates attending it. Lets put it this way, adding more parking will not bring more fans to a Twins game this year.

This is the attraction issue at work. From Jeff Sieglers Revitalize or Die blog: "A good city, like a business owner, will focus on the draw. This means creating a community that fosters an emotional attachment. No one has ever been emotionally attached to a restaurant table or parking. These are simply a function of the draw not the draw itself.

More so, adding parking actually removes the attraction itself. It would be as if the restauranteur removed the kitchen to add tables. Can you imagine demolishing a building in Paris for parking? Yet this is what struggling cities do. They take out the kitchen. The downtown buildings and the businesses they house are the attraction. They are the draw itself and every single one that goes away is one less reason to visit your town. Why not just tear all the buildings down so people can come for miles to visit your pristine parking lot, unencumbered by silly buildings? "

That last one? Tear down all the buildings for more parking? Yes, I have actually heard that before, straight from the lips of a former city official.

And that brings me to management. In a downtown setting it is just not possible to have 20 open parking spaces right in front of the business' door. And those spaces are extremely valuable. Each on-street parking space can add over \$20,000 in economic activity. But here's the rub. If you spend some quality time downtown, you'll see the same cars parked in the same spots for an extended length of time, sometimes days! Who do these cars belong to? Some are downtown residents, some are employees, some are the actual owners of the businesses. All using spots meant for customers.

Yes, we have a two hour limit on the signs. And open city lots within a block of EVERY building downtown. And yes, we can ask the Jamestown PD to enforce the time restrictions. That's the easy part. The hard part? And the only way parking rotation really works? We need our building owners, landlords and business owner/managers to prioritize these valuable spaces. Make it a requirement of employment that workers park in the lots. Show our downtown residents that daytime parking needs to be in the lots. And if we provide what people love we will never experience a parking problem again.

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### DOWNTOWN OPPORTUNITIES







421 1st Ave S - 5602 sq ft - \$450,000

Prime Downtown Jamestown Opportunity - Commercial Building with Apartment and Garage. The building features a spacious main-level commercial area perfect for retail, office, or service-based businesses. Upstairs, you'll find a separate apartment space ideal for rental income, employee housing, or owner occupancy. An attached oversized garage offers excellent storage or workspace potential—great for trades, deliveries, or expanded commercial use. Whether you're an investor, entrepreneur, or business owner looking to establish a presence in downtown Jamestown, this flexible property offers both income potential and room to grow. Sold 'As Is, Where Is.' Contact a realtor today.



113 1\*\* St W - 4800 sq ft - \$599,000







This exceptional mixed-use commercial property features a beautifully designed restaurant on the main level and a fully remodeled 2-bedroom apartment upstairs. The Bar/Restaurant boasts a striking blend of exposed brick and modern industrial finishes. A large central fireplace anchors the spacious dining area, complemented by elegant recessed lighting and ample seating throughout. The professional-grade kitchen is fully equipped and thoughtfully laid out for efficient, high-volume service. Upstairs, the attached apartment offers a stylish and comfortable living space with a bright, open floor plan. The large, modern kitchen flows seamlessly into the dining and living areas, highlighted by abundant natural light. With 2 bedrooms, den and a sleek, updated bathroom, this unit is perfect for an owner-operator or as an additional income source. Or as a vacation rental. Comes fully furnished. Don't miss this rare opportunity to own a versatile property that combines income potential, modern charm, and prime visibility.



219 1st Ave S - 1,950 sq ft - \$505,000

Fully Occupied. Have you ever dreamed of owning a rental/incoming producing building?? Here it is!!! Great Investment Property! Great downtown location. Front and Back Entrances. Good parking. Huge open Basement and an upper level with lots of potential and office space. Call your favorite Realtor to view. This building is in the Renaissance Zone!

123 1st Ave S - 19,853 sq ft - \$350,000



This is an excellent opportunity to own a two-story brick office building in the heart of Jamestown, ND. This sales leaseback will include a 5-year lease for approximately 4,750 square feet of the building by a national credit tenant. Priced well below replacement cost, this building consists of 19,113 square feet on the main and second levels with an additional 10,595 square feet in the semi-finished basement. With it's central location in downtown Jamestown, this property has several dining and entertainment options withing walking distance. There will be great upside potential in this building once the vacancies have been filled. This building is in the Renaissance Zone!

111 2<sup>nd</sup> St N - 100 room hotel - \$2,900,000



Welcome to the Gladstone Inn & Suites in Jamestown, North Dakota, your perfect home away from home! Our spacious hotel features 100 comfortable rooms. Situated in a prime location, the Gladstone Inn & Suites provides easy access to popular attractions like the National Buffalo Museum and the charming downtown area. Shady's Restaurant & Lounge, our onsite restaurant, offers family dining and a separate bar located adjacent to our lobby. Investment Highlights:

Adding new TPO roof 2025 100 rooms arranged over 2 floors

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16 theme suites

Room service

8,821 SF of meeting space

To get more information about this property, and others, please visit tabanirealty.com/listings.



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Renaissance Zone Info:

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