## Economic board approves two grants for coffee shop

A former gas station is undergoing conversion into a future coffee shop.

Part of the transformation is being paid for through grants from the Lamesa Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) and the Lamesa Economic Alliance Project (LEAP).

Board members spent about six minutes in a special meeting Tuesday to approve two grant applications for J&C Plus Five LLC.

The unnamed coffee shop is located at 501 N. 4th Street across from the Stock and Petal flower shop.

Co-owner Jordan Addison told the board once the renovations are complete, the shop will have a parking lot and a drive-thru going around the building where drivers will exit in the back onto N. Austin Ave.

LEDC's facade grant is providing up to \$25,000 for a total project costing \$81,070.05 for refurbishing the steel windows, replace overhead doors, for the storefront windows and doors; concrete parking and exterior painting.

The shop will feature inside and outside areas where people can enjoy their coffee and snacks. The facility can be rented out for meetings or special events.

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MAKEOVER

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Workers inside a former gas station are working on converting the building into a coffee shop. Once completed, it will have a drive-through, snacks and seating areas.

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"There won't be any cooking," Addison said. "It'll be like Starbucks.

"We plan to make it a place where people want to go. You don't have to wait 10 minutes to get your coffee."

Addison and his wife, Casey Addison, also own the Tea2Go shop on Dallas Ave.

The couple also got approval for LEAP's business grant. The grant offers up to \$10,000 for \$120,000 in interior renovations including all plumbing, electrical, HVAC, painting, cabinets and flooring.