



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: October 9, 2018

Title of Item: Apply for Small City Development Program Grant

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	Action Requested: <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <small>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing*
Submitted by: Ross Wagner		Department: Economic Development & Forest Ind
Presenter (Name and Title): Ross Wagner, Economic Development & Forest Industry Coordinator		Estimated Time Needed: 15 Minutes
Summary of Issue: <p>In 2017 Aitkin County submitted a Small Cities Development Program (SCDP) grant for a home owner rehabilitation in Wagner and Williams Townships. Even though we were not awarded a grant, it was felt that we had submitted a strong application and should reapply in 2018. Passing the attached Resolution would start the process for the re-application. Preliminary applications are by November 15, 2018. If a preliminary application is accepted, a final application would be due in February 2019.</p> <p>As you recall, Lakes and Pines wrote the 2017 grant application for a \$750.00 administration fee. Since that has been paid and we were not successful, Lakes and Pines will waive the application fee for 2018, so there would be no additional cost for the county to apply.</p> <p>I have discussed the pre-application with Nicole Klosner of Lakes and Pines, she recommends applying for the same amount and area as last year. In talking with the MN DEED representative, they have suggested we strengthen our application with additional information on septic system needs and compliance, we will do this with a mailing with a questionnaire on septic. Unfortunately, they also pointed out that the process favors Cities over Counties due more concentration of eligible homes in cities as opposed to being more spread out in townships. I mention this just so we know what we are up against. The 2018 awards are attached, as with 2017, only one county received a SCDP grant.</p> <p>Last year we applied for \$402,500 with 170 eligible households, the final numbers for 2018 may change slightly with additional surveys and information.</p>		
Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments: 		
Recommended Action/Motion: Pass resolution for preliminary SCDP Grant Application, Housing Rehab in Wagner & Williams Township		
Financial Impact: Is there a cost associated with this request? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Is this budgeted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Please Explain:		

Legally binding agreements must have County Attorney approval prior to submission.

By Commissioner: xx

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Small City Development Project

BE IT RESOLVED that Aitkin County act as the legal sponsor for the Small City Development Program project contained in the Application to be submitted by November 15, 2018 and that Jessica Seibert, Aitkin County Administrator is hereby authorized to apply to the Department of Employment and Economic Development for funding of this project on behalf of Aitkin County, Minnesota, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Aitkin County has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability to ensure adequate construction, operation, maintenance and replacement of the proposed project for its design life, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Aitkin County has not violated any Federal, State or local laws pertaining to fraud, bribery, graft, kickbacks, collusion, conflict of interest or other unlawful or corrupt practice, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval of its application by the State of Minnesota, Aitkin County may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the approved project, and that Aitkin County certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in all contract agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Jessica Seibert, County Administrator or successor in office, is hereby authorized to execute such agreements and amendments thereto, as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of Aitkin County.

Commissioner xx moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting Yes

**STATE OF MINNESOTA}
COUNTY OF AITKIN}**

I, Jessica Seibert, County Administrator, Aitkin County, Minnesota do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in the Administration Office of Aitkin County in Aitkin, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board on the 9th day of October 2018, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 9th day of October 2018

Jessica Seibert
County Administrator

2018 AWARDED PROJECTS

SMALL CITIES DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

AWARD DATE: JUNE 27, 2018

The City of Brainerd is awarded \$638,338. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, rental housing rehabilitation, and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Caledonia is awarded \$824,698. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, rental housing rehabilitation, and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Clarkfield is awarded \$1,107,430. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, commercial building rehabilitation, and a public facility project.

The City of Deerwood is awarded \$554,893. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, rental housing rehabilitation, and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Elgin is awarded \$303,600. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.

The City of Emily is awarded \$229,000. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.

The City of Eyota is awarded \$287,500. The funds to this grantee will be used for rental housing rehabilitation.

The City of Granite Falls is awarded \$625,888. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, rental housing rehabilitation, and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Kensington is awarded \$600,000. The funds to this grantee will be used for public facility improvements.

The City of Kerkhoven/DeGraff is awarded \$320,625. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.

The City of Lake Benton is awarded \$634,800. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Lake City is awarded \$809,400. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and commercial building rehabilitation.

The County of Lake/Silver Bay is awarded \$508,750. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Mahanomen is awarded \$354,775. The funds to this grantee will be used for rental rehabilitation.

The City of Marshall is awarded \$603,750. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Melrose is awarded \$315,600. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and commercial building.

The City of Menahga is awarded \$236,700. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Morris is awarded \$421,875. The funds to this grantee will be used for rental housing rehabilitation.

The City of Onamia is awarded \$600,000. The funds to this grantee will be used for public facility improvements.

The City of Pine River is awarded \$595,000. The funds to this grantee will be used for public facility improvements.

The City of Raymond is awarded \$437,000. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.

The City of Red Lake Falls is awarded \$593,400. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Sabin is awarded \$258,525. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.

The City of St. James is awarded \$663,320. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, rental housing rehabilitation, and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of St. Joseph is awarded \$178,624. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.

The City of Starbuck is awarded \$941,260. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, rental housing rehabilitation, commercial building rehabilitation, and streetscape.

The City of Tyler/Ruthton is awarded \$460,000. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.

The City of Verndale is awarded \$600,000. The funds to this grantee will be used for public facility improvements.

The City of Warroad is awarded \$599,955. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and rental housing rehabilitation.

The City of Willmar is awarded \$1,205,177. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, rental housing rehabilitation, and commercial building rehabilitation.

The City of Willow River is awarded \$345,711. The funds to this grantee will be used for public facility improvements due to flooding damage.

The City of Windom is awarded \$418,600. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.

The City of Winger is awarded \$600,000. The funds to this grantee will be used for public facility improvements.

The City of Winnebago is awarded \$869,100. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation and public facility improvements.

The City of Winona is awarded \$296,349. The funds to this grantee will be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.