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City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 18-43 City Council 9/13/2018

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Ashton J. Hayward, III, Mayor

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION NO. 18-43 - AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA) TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A FDOT BEAUTIFICATION GRANT FOR GARDEN STREET LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council adopt Resolution No. 18-43.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A FDOT BEAUTIFICATION GRANT AND ENTER INTO A BEAUTIFICATION GRANT AGREEMENT AND A LANDSCAPE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

On August 6, 2018, the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) approved the CRA Fiscal Year 2019 Budget, which allocated \$70,000 for Garden Street improvements. To provide for construction of the improvements to the maximum extent, CRA staff has identified a supplemental grant opportunity available through the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Beautification Grant Program. CRA staff is currently working with Atkins North America, Inc., an engineering and design firm, under the City of Pensacola's continuing services agreement to develop a conceptual landscape plan and provide cost estimates for the grant submission. Improvements will be targeted from Alcaniz Street to North "A" Street, with actual project boundaries determined based on cost.

The FDOT Beautification Grant offers funding in the amount of up to \$100,000 for landscape improvements to state transportation facilities, such as Garden Street, with a suggested fifty-percent (50%) local match. To apply for the opportunity, the CRA and City Council must adopt resolutions authorizing the CRA to apply for and accept the grant and to maintain the improvements. If awarded, the improvements would be maintained under the CRA's existing interlocal agreement for landscape, park, public space and accessibility improvement maintenance services with the City of Pensacola. Due to the time sensitive nature of the application process, the resolutions must be adopted during the September 2018 CRA and City Council meetings to successfully submit a grant application.

PRIOR ACTION:

August 6, 2018 - The CRA adopted Resolution No. 2018-01 CRA adopting a budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2018.

FUNDING:

Budget: \$ 70,000 CRA Fund - Proposed Fiscal Year 2019

70,000 FDOT Beautification Grant (Pending Award)

\$ 140,000

Actual: \$ 140,000

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding has been included in the Fiscal Year 2019 Proposed Budget and will be available in the CRA Fund upon adoption by City Council in September 2018.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

8/24/2018

STAFF CONTACT:

Keith Wilkins, City Administrator Helen Gibson, AICP, CRA Administrator Victoria D'Angelo, Assistant CRA Administrator

ATTACHMENTS:

1) Resolution No. 18-43

PRESENTATION: No