

Addenda
Minnetonka City Council Meeting
Meeting of June 27, 2022

ITEM 10G – Met Council LCA Policy Development Funding Application (NEW ITEM)

This agenda item was added after the packet was distributed in order for the city to meet the application.

Attached is the corresponding staff report and resolution.



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To: City Council

From: Alisha Gray, Economic Development & Housing Manager
Rob Hanson, Economic Development Coordinator

Date: June 27, 2022

Subject: Change Memo for the June 27 City Council Agenda

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**City Council Agenda #10G
Meeting of Jun. 27, 2022**

Title: Resolution related to Metropolitan Council Livable Communities Act (LCA) Policy Development Program Grant Funding

Report From: Rob Hanson, EDP, Economic Development Coordinator

Submitted through: Mike Funk, Acting City Manager
Julie Wischnack, AICP, Community Development Director

Action Requested: Motion Informational Public Hearing
Form of Action: Resolution Ordinance Contract/Agreement Other N/A
Votes needed: 4 votes 5 votes N/A Other

Summary Statement

The Metropolitan Council requires a resolution of local support for any city applying for Livable Communities Act (LCA) – Policy Development Program funding. The city serves as the official applicant.

Recommended Action

Adopt the resolution

Strategic Profile Relatability

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Strength & Operational Excellence | <input type="checkbox"/> Safe & Healthy Community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability & Natural Resources | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Livable & Well-Planned Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure & Asset Management | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Inclusiveness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | |

The Metropolitan Council's Policy Development Program provides funding to participating cities to support locally adopted policies that influence physical development and further Metropolitan Council goals with an emphasis on equitable development.

Financial Consideration

Is there a financial consideration? No Yes Up to \$50,000 per city.
Financing sources: Budgeted Budget Modification New Revenue Source
 Use of Reserves Other [Enter]

Statement:

The city would apply for up to \$50,000 to assist with hiring a consultant to study the city's zoning districts to review barriers to compact, connected, sustainable and equitable development. The grant provides half of the cost upfront and the second half upon adoption of the policy.

Background

The Metropolitan Council solicits annually for its LCA Grants. The LCA-Policy Development program is one of several grant programs available through the LCA program. Through this program, grants provide cities funding to support locally adopted policies that influence physical development and further Met Council goals. Preferred projects emphasize policies that further affordable housing, living wage jobs, environmental sustainability, compact, connected development, and equitable outcomes.

City staff intends to apply for funding through the Policy Development Program to analyze the city's R-1 zoning district. Applications through this program are due July 18, 2022. Award announcements are made in September; the grant period is two years.

Resolution No. 2022

Resolution Identifying the Need for LCA-Policy Development Funding and Authorizing Application for Grant Funds

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Minnetonka, Minnesota as follows:

Section 1. Background.

- 1.01. The city of Minnetonka is a participant in the Livable Communities Act's Local Housing Incentives Account Program for 2022 as determined by the Metropolitan Council, and is therefore eligible to apply for Livable Communities Act Policy Development funds.
- 1.02. The city has identified a proposed project within the city that meets the Policy Development Programs purposes and criteria and is consistent with and promotes the purposes of the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act and the policies of the Metropolitan Council's adopted metropolitan development guide.
- 1.03. The city has the institutional, managerial and financial capability to ensure adequate project administration.
- 1.04. The city certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in the grant agreement.
- 1.05. The city acknowledges LCA-Policy Development grants are intended to fund projects or project components that can serve as models, examples, or prototypes for development or development projects elsewhere in the region, and therefore represents that the proposed project or key components of the proposed project can be replicated in other metropolitan-area communities.
- 1.06. Only a limited amount of grant funding is available through the Metropolitan Council's LCA-Policy Development Program during each funding cycle, and the Metropolitan Council has determined it is appropriate to allocate those scarce grant funds only to eligible projects that would not occur without the availability of policy development grant funding.

Section 2. Council Action.

- 2.01. After appropriate examination and due consideration, the city council;
 1. Finds that it is in the best interests of the city's development goals and priorities for the proposed project to occur at this particular time.
 2. Finds that the project component(s) for which LCA-Policy Development funding is sought:
 - a. will not occur solely through private or other public investment within the foreseeable future; and
 - b. will occur within three years after a grant award only if LCA-Policy Development funding is made available for this project at this time.

2.02. The city council represents that the city has undertaken reasonable and good faith efforts to procure funding for the project component(s) for which LCA-Policy Development funding is sought but was not able to find or secure from other sources funding that is necessary for project component completion within three years and states that this representation is based on the following reasons and supporting facts:

1. LCA-Policy Development is a primary funding source for the uses requested in the application. The requested elements may not be of the quality or demonstration value possible without an award of LCA-Policy Development funds.

2.03 The mayor and city manager are hereby authorized to submit on behalf of the city an application for Metropolitan Council Livable Communities Policy Development grant funds for the project component(s) identified in the application and to execute such agreements as may be necessary to implement the project on behalf of the city.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Minnetonka, Minnesota, on June 27, 2022.

Brad Wiersum, Mayor

Attest:

Becky Koosman, City Clerk

Action on this resolution:

Motion for adoption:

Seconded by:

Voted in favor of:

Voted against:

Abstained:

Absent:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Minnetonka, Minnesota, at a meeting held on June 27, 2022.

Becky Koosman, City Clerk