

GRANT ANALYSIS FORM OPERATING & CAPITAL GRANT PROJECTS/PROGRAMS

Department/Division: Department of City Development

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Category of Request

- New Grant**
- Grant Continuation**
- Change in Previously Approved Grant**

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Project/Program Title: Transit-Oriented Development Planning Grant

Grantor Agency: Federal Transit Administration

Grant Application Date: June, 2016

Anticipated Award Date: December, 2016

Please provide the following information:

1. Description of Grant Project/Program (Include Target Locations and Populations):

This grant will allow the Department of City Development (“DCD”) to carry out a planning study to develop a framework to foster Transit-Oriented Development (“TOD”) through the City’s zoning code and recommend complementary strategies that can be used to attract TOD. The grant will be used to create strategies and zoning code changes to support residential and commercial development nearby transit, with a focus on preserving and promoting affordable housing near transit corridors. The study will have a geographic focus along the Historic King Drive and Walker’s Point transit corridors, and the Historic King Drive Business Improvement District and Harbor District Inc. are formal partners in the proposal. The main deliverables of the planning study also may be used to help guide development along all of the City’s major transit corridors, including existing express bus routes, proposed Bus Rapid Transit corridors, etc.

2. Relationship to Citywide Strategic Goals and Departmental Objectives:

Goals of the project include developing and implementing strategies to attract new commercial and residential development to commercial corridors, expanding affordable housing opportunities near transit and ensuring that the City’s zoning code supports these types of investments. All of those directly align with the objectives of the work of DCD, including those found within Growing Prosperity, the City of Milwaukee’s action agenda for economic development.

3. Need for Grant Funds and Impact on Other Departmental Operations (Applies only to Programs):

N/A.

4. Results Measurement/Progress Report (Applies only to Programs):

N/A.

5. Grant Period, Timetable and Program Phase-out Plan:

Funds must be expended within two years of award. DCD anticipates releasing a RFP to identify a consultant(s) for the project within one month of award. DCD will partner with the Historic King Drive Business Improvement District and the Harbor District Inc. to ensure there is substantial public engagement during the development of the planning study. It is anticipated that the actual development of the study will take roughly 18 months, with public and Common Council review to follow. DCD will begin work on implementation of study recommendations following Common Council approval.

6. Provide a List of Subgrantees:

The Historic King Drive Business Improvement District and the Harbor District Inc. were project partners in the application. DCD anticipates entering into agreements with each to support this planning study. Each organization has committed to match the amount of funding provided by the grant via in-kind support, which was included in the required local match for this Federal grant.

7. If Possible, Complete Grant Budget Form and Attach to Back.

See attached.