

Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No. 32
Roll Call No. 10Communication No. 10-235

Submitted by: Randy Wetmore, Assistant City

Manager

AGENDA HEADING:

Authorizing the acceptance of grant funding from the State of Iowa Office of Energy Independence (OEI) Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) for retrofitting 87 light fixtures along Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway from Ingersoll Ave to SW 16th Street with energy efficient LED lamps and upgrading and expanding the current Global Control Module in the amount of \$185,000.

SYNOPSIS:

On February 22, 2010 by Roll Call Number 10-280, the Council authorized the submission of grant applications to the State of Iowa OEI for a number of projects. The City has been awarded \$75,000, or 50% of the total project, in grant funding for the installation of 87 LED light fixtures along MLK Parkway from Ingersoll to SW 16th. Additionally, OEI has provided \$110,000, or 50% of the total project cost, for the upgrading and expanding of the energy Global Control Module (building monitoring system). Presently only City Hall, the Armory Building and Pioneer Columbus Community Center are on the system. The OEI project will allow for the expansion of the system to the Police Station, Police Academy, Chesterfield Community Center, Four Mile Community Center and Public Works Administration buildings.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$185,000 in OEI grant funding and \$185,000 City match

<u>Funding Source:</u> LED Lights: \$75,000 OEI grant and \$75,000 from 2010-2011 CIP: TFC095 – LED Traffic Signals, \$15,000 remaining GO Bond funds, with a transfer of \$60,000 remaining TIF Backed GO Bonds from STR138 – ML King JR. Parkway Project.

Energy building monitoring system: \$110,000 OEI grant and \$110,000 from energy building monitoring system from 2010-2011 CIP, Page Municipal Building Improvements – 7, Energy Conservation, BLD110; with a transfer of \$110,000 from BLD074 – HVAC, Electrical and Plumbing Improvements – Municipal Building Improvements – page 9 (G.O. Bonds to be issued).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The purpose of the Iowa EECBG program is to provide funding, via a competitive grant process, to assist local governments in creating and implementing strategies to: 1) Reduce fossil emissions in a manner that is environmentally sustainable, and to the maximum extent practicable, maximize benefits for local and regional communities, 2) Reduce total energy use of the eligible entities, 3) Improve energy efficiency in the building, transportation and other appropriate sectors, and 4) Create and retain jobs.

The grant funds are awarded on a one-to-one basis or a 50% percent match is required. The City is able to meet the matching requirements for both of the projects. It is estimated the projects will be completed by December 31, 2010.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 22, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-280

Action: Applications for funding of 5 projects, 2 for the City totaling \$175,000, from the Iowa Office of Energy Independence (OEI) as part of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (EECBG). (Council Communication No. 10-085) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Approve purchases associated with the grant projects.

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