



Legislation Text

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TO: CRA Board of Commissioners
FROM: Elizabeth Burrows, Economic Development Manager
THROUGH: Jeff Costello, CRA Executive Director
DATE: October 9, 2018

CURB APPEAL GRANT - 240 SW 9th CIRCLE (FLOWERS)

Recommended Action:

Approve a Curb Appeal Grant for the property located at 240 SW 9th Circle, for an amount not to exceed \$13,500.

Background:

The Curb Appeal Grant Program, originally established by the CRA in 2007, helps to enhance the aesthetics of the Northwest and Southwest residential neighborhoods by facilitating minor cosmetic improvements to single-family homes and duplexes. The program funds a variety of improvements, such as roof repair and replacement, landscaping, irrigation, exterior painting, and driveway improvements, with a maximum possible grant award of \$15,000.

Attached is a Curb Appeal Grant proposal for the property located at 240 SW 9th Circle, owned by Ms. Janie Flowers. The City's Neighborhood Services Division that administers the program evaluated the property and has determined the scope of work for the project to include new landscaping and irrigation, repairs to the fascia, new impact sliding glass doors and windows, a new impact garage door, and a complete repainting of the home's exterior.

Pursuant to the City's procurement policy, City staff requested quotes for the proposed project from qualified contractors. The sole qualified response was submitted by Onel Construction, Inc., estimating a total project cost of \$29,426.50. Because Ms. Flowers is eligible for a Curb Appeal grant at the 100% funding level, the City is requesting a Curb Appeal Grant from the CRA in an amount not to exceed \$13,500, to be applied to the landscaping, irrigation and exterior painting improvements. The remainder of the project will be funded through the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program.

If approved, the selected contractor will complete the specified improvements to the satisfaction of City staff, and payment will be issued after the work is approved by a final inspection. Staff recommends approval of the requested Curb Appeal grant, as it will help further the CRA mission by eliminating slum and blighted conditions in CRA Sub-Area #8 of The Set, by directly funding property improvements in the Southwest Area Neighborhood that will improve the condition of an owner-occupied single-family home, thereby adding to the stabilization of the neighborhood and enhancing the tax base.

Attachment(s): Exhibit A - Location Map; Exhibit B - Quote Information Sheet & Contractor Quote Proposal; Exhibit C - Photos of Existing Conditions

CRA Attorney Review:

N/A

Finance Review:

N/A

Funding Source/Financial Impact:

\$13,500.00 allocated from General Ledger #7305 - Grant Programs - Curb Appeal Assistance Grant

Timing of Request:

N/A