



Legislation Text

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TO: CRA Board of Commissioners
FROM: Elizabeth Burrows, Economic Development Manager
THROUGH: Jeff Costello, CRA Executive Director
DATE: December 11, 2018

CURB APPEAL GRANT - 119 SW 9TH AVENUE (STROWBRIDGE)

Recommended Action:

Approve a Curb Appeal Grant for the property located at 119 SW 9th Avenue, for an amount not to exceed \$10,498.95.

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 119 SW 9th Avenue, owned by Ms. Darlene Strowbridge. The City's Neighborhood Services Division that administers the program evaluated the property and has determined the property needs a fresh coat of exterior paint, new landscaping, and a new irrigation system.

Pursuant to the City's procurement policy, City staff requested bids for the proposed project from qualified contractors. The lowest responsive bid was submitted by CJ Contracting, LLC, estimating a total project cost of \$9,999.00. Because Ms. Strowbridge 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 \$10,498.95, which includes a 5% contingency as allowed by program guidelines.

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 Sub-Area #8 (Southwest Neighborhood) of the CRA District by directly funding improvements to an owner-occupied single-family home, thereby enhancing neighborhood stabilization and the tax base.

Attachments: Exhibit A - Location Map; Exhibit B - Quote Information Sheet, Contractor Quote Proposal & Landscape Plan; Exhibit C - Photos of Existing Conditions

CRA Attorney Review:

N/A

Finance Review:

N/A

Funding Source/Financial Impact:

\$10,498.95 allocated from General Ledger #7305 - Grant Programs - Curb Appeal Assistance Grant

Timing of Request:

N/A