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Request for Board Action

Attachment 6.1

Agenda Item: Ukrainian American Community Center Stormwater Management Plan

Presenter: Emmy Baskerville Doeckel

Meeting Date: 10 September 2024

Flexibility: Yes No

Estimated Time: Consent Agenda 10 Min. 15 Min. 30 Min. 45 Min. 1 Hour

Action Request: Information/Review Motion to approve Budget Change Other

Board Action: Approved Denied Tabled Accepted Report Other

Date of Action: 10 September 2024

Background

As directed by Stewardship Fund guidance, staff is presenting one Planning Grant application. This application has been reviewed and recommended by staff and the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC).

The Ukrainian American Community Center (UACC) has requested \$20,000 in Stewardship Fund Planning Grant funds to complete a Stormwater Management Plan for their 2-acre property in Minneapolis. The property currently contains a large parking lot that directly drains untreated to the Mississippi River about a half a block away via the storm sewer. The property is also next door to B.F. Nelson Park, which directly abuts the Mississippi River.

The project will fund the completion of a stormwater management plan that will assess the site and evaluate the potential to install stormwater BMPs at the UACC to intercept stormwater and treat it prior to discharge into the Mississippi River. The stormwater management plan will also focus on the potential for incorporating wildlife and pollinator habitat into the site. The grant application included letters of support from two organizations, the Great River Coalition and the Saint Anthony West Neighborhood Organization (STAWNO).

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization

RESOLUTION 2024-023

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A 2024 PLANNING GRANT.

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization works to protect and improve water quality, habitat and natural resources in an urban watershed that drains directly to the Mississippi River; and

WHEREAS, the MWMO Board of Commissioners created the Stewardship Fund to engage the community in the protection of said resources

WHEREAS, one application was submitted in this second round of the 2024 Stewardship Fund Grant cycle; and

WHEREAS, staff and the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) have reviewed the application; and

WHEREAS, staff and the CAC recommended funding the Planning Grant to the UACC as described above; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds remaining in the Stewardship Fund for FY 2024.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the MWMO Board of Commissioners hereby approves up to \$20,000 for the Ukrainian American Community Center and authorizes MWMO staff to take all necessary administrative actions to implement the resolution.

Adopted this the 10th day of September, 2024.

Review for the Board: _____

Randy Stille, Chair

Review for Administration: _____

Kevin Reich, Executive Director