



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2023-0423

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Sara Roediger, Director of Planning & Economic Development
Joe Snyder, Chief Financial Officer

DATE: September 11, 2023

SUBJECT: Approval of Project Proposal and Application for EGLE Remediation Grant

REQUEST:

The Rochester Hills City Council is requested to support the Project Proposal and Application for the Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Remediation Grant as presented and further authorize the Mayor to sign and submit the Application, Grant Contract, and Individual Subagreements on behalf of the City of Rochester Hills.

BACKGROUND:

The State of Michigan has recently approved a \$75,000,000 Assessment and Remediation Grant in the State's upcoming FY 2023-24 Budget (starting October 1, 2023) for contaminated site assessment and remediation within the City of Rochester Hills (the Remediation Grant). The State of Michigan Grant will be administered by EGLE.

Before the City can be officially awarded the \$75,000,000 State Remediation Grant, the City must first submit a Project Proposal and Application for EGLE Remediation Grant to EGLE which is signed by the authorized signer for the City (Mayor). The Grant Application must be signed and submitted to EGLE by September 30, 2023.

City staff have held several meetings with the City's Environmental Consultant (ASTI) and EGLE staff to discuss the Application and to craft a Project Proposal Application for EGLE Remediation Grant which is acceptable to all parties.

In discussion with EGLE, the \$75,000,000 Remediation Grant will operate as a standard reimbursement type grant where the City will initially pay for the remediation services and then in turn the City will request reimbursement from EGLE. EGLE cannot directly pay the vendors for the remediation services, as the City of Rochester Hills was awarded the Remediation Grant.

The \$75,000,000 Remediation Grant revenues and expenditures are not currently included in the City's current FY 2023 or Proposed FY 2024-26 Budget, as the terms of the Grant were not known until very recently. After the Grant Application submittal and official award notice by EGLE, the Fiscal Division will work with the Accounting Division to set up a new and separate fund (Fund # TBD) which will budget, track, and account for all assessment and remediation expenditures and offsetting grant revenues. The Fiscal Division will be bringing forth a series of upcoming Budget Amendments.

There are not anticipated to be any significant additional costs incurred by the City, as the Grant allows for a certain level of Administrative cost reimbursement. City staff is keeping track of all time spent administering the Grant and will submit reimbursement requests to EGLE for any and all City costs incurred administering the Grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Rochester Hills City Council is recommended to support the Project Proposal and Application for the Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Remediation Grant as presented and further authorize the Mayor to sign and submit the Application, Grant Contract, and Individual Subagreements on behalf of the City of Rochester Hills.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
City Clerk		

Contract Reviewed by City Attorney Yes N/A