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CITY OF BETHLEHEM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: J. William Reynolds, President of Council
FROM: Michael Alkhal, P.E., Director of Public Works/City Engineer
RE: Resolution to Submit Application for Multimodal Grant
DATE: June 12, 2014

We are preparing two identical Multimodal Transportation Fund grant applications. One will be submitted to the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Financing Authority and one to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. The requested funds are intended to be used for the Main Street Streetscape Improvements, Phase II from Market Street to Walnut Street. The grant request is for \$250,000 with the City providing a 50% match of \$250,000 for a total project cost of \$500,000. The City intends to recover \$125,000 from the responsible abutting property owners, thereby reducing the City match to \$125,000 or 25%. A minimum match of 30% is required, with increased consideration for grant requests with a higher match.

The Pennsylvania Commonwealth Financing Authority and Department of Transportation both require a resolution authorizing the Mayor and Controller to execute the documents in connection with the grant. For your reference/use, copies of the suggested resolutions are attached. We are requesting the appropriate resolutions be considered by Council.

If you have any further questions, please let me know.

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Enclosure

cc: M. Dorner
Law Bureau
File

By: 
Title: Public Works Director/City Engineer

RESOLUTION NO.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the City of Bethlehem, of Northampton County, hereby requests a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant of \$250,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the Main Street Streetscape Improvements, Phase II.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate the Mayor and Controller as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Bethlehem and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

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ADOPTED by Council this day of , 2014.

/s/ J. William Reynolds
President of Council

ATTEST:

/s/ Cynthia H. Biedenkopf
City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the City of Bethlehem, of Northampton County, hereby requests a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant of \$250,000 from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to be used for the Main Street Streetscape Improvements, Phase II.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate the Mayor and Controller as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the City of Bethlehem and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

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