

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

Department of Community and Economic Development Interoffice Memo

To: Robert Vidoni, City Clerk
From: Alicia Miller Karner, DCED Director
Re: Resolutions for the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) Grant Awards

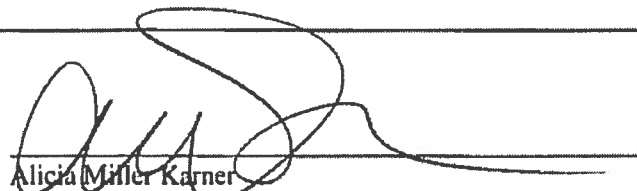
I would like to request that the attached resolutions be placed on the upcoming City Council agenda for consideration.

3 Resolutions:

- ArtsQuest was recently awarded a \$500,000 RACP grant for the ArtsQuest Community Cultural Center project.
- Jefferson-Werner LLC was recently awarded a \$750,000 RACP grant for the Boyd Theater Redevelopment Project.
- Lehigh Riverport Investors Fund, LP was recently awarded a \$750,000 RACP grant for the Riverport Market project.

The Mayor received notification on August 5th, 2019 that 3 RACP grants were awarded and he replied with an acceptance letter on August 23rd, 2019. The attached resolutions will have to be adopted by City Council in order to proceed with the administration of these grants.

DATE: January 6th, 2020


Alicia Miller Karner
Director of DCED

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem at the request of ArtsQuest is desirous of obtaining funds from the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Grant Program of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$500,000, appropriated under the Capital Budget Project Itemization Act of 2010-082, for the purpose of assisting ArtsQuest with the ArtsQuest Community Cultural Center project in the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem considers that this project will provide economic benefits to the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County and the Lehigh Valley region;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the Mayor, Robert J. Donchez, of said municipality, be authorized and directed to execute all application forms necessary to apply for the \$500,000 grant which will be passed through the City of Bethlehem to ArtsQuest for the purpose of their project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Controller be authorized to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with ArtsQuest for the project administration of said project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Bethlehem has been assured by ArtsQuest that it will assume the full local share of the project costs, which will be in excess of the \$500,000 grant, and also assume responsibility for the project's ongoing operating and maintenance costs;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk of the City of Bethlehem is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of the Resolution to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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ADOPTED by Council this _____ day of _____, 2020.

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem at the request of Jefferson-Werner LLC is desirous of obtaining funds from the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Grant Program of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$750,000, appropriated under the Capital Budget Project Itemization Act of 2017-052, for the purpose of assisting Jefferson-Werner LLC with the Boyd Theater Redevelopment project in the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem considers that this project will provide economic benefits to the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County and the Lehigh Valley region;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the Mayor, Robert J. Donchez, of said municipality, be authorized and directed to execute all application forms necessary to apply for the \$750,000 grant which will be passed through the City of Bethlehem to Jefferson-Werner LLC for the purpose of their project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Controller be authorized to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with Jefferson-Werner LLC for the project administration of said project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Bethlehem has been assured by Jefferson-Werner LLC that it will assume the full local share of the project costs, which will be in excess of the \$750,000 grant, and also assume responsibility for the project's ongoing operating and maintenance costs;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk of the City of Bethlehem is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of the Resolution to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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ADOPTED by Council this _____ day of _____, 2020.

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem at the request of Lehigh Riverport Investors Fund, LP is desirous of obtaining funds from the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Grant Program of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$750,000, appropriated under the Capital Budget Project Itemization Act of 2017-052, for the purpose of assisting Lehigh Riverport Investors Fund, LP with the Riverport Market project in the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem considers that this project will provide economic benefits to the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County and the Lehigh Valley region;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the Mayor, Robert J. Donchez, of said municipality, be authorized and directed to execute all application forms necessary to apply for the \$750,000 grant which will be passed through the City of Bethlehem to Lehigh Riverport Investors Fund, LP for the purpose of their project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Controller be authorized to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with Lehigh Riverport Investors Fund, LP for the project administration of said project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Bethlehem has been assured by Lehigh Riverport Investors Fund, LP that it will assume the full local share of the project costs, which will be in excess of the \$750,000 grant, and also assume responsibility for the project's ongoing operating and maintenance costs;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk of the City of Bethlehem is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of the Resolution to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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