



CITY OF BETHLEHEM

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Memo

To: Michael Colon, Council President
From: Alicia Miller Karner, Deputy Director, Economic Development *AMK*
Date: April 13, 2022
Re: RACP Council Resolutions

The Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) is a Commonwealth of Pennsylvania grant program for construction projects exceeding \$1 million in cost. To the benefit of the residents of the City of Bethlehem, many projects have received RACP grants through the years. Funded projects include the ArtsQuest Center, Historic Bethlehem Museums and Sites, the city parking facilities, Majestic Realty, the Farr Building and many others. The city is typically the pass through entity of these funds but no liability rests with the city for these grants or these projects. The projects are carefully monitored by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Attached are two resolutions for consideration. The first resolution is related to the redevelopment of the "Goodman Building", located at 30-32 East Third Street, and the second resolution is for the Intensive Care Unit project at LVHN – Muhlenberg. Both resolutions are a requirement of the program and both drafts have been reviewed by Commonwealth staff for appropriateness.

I respectfully request that these items be placed on an upcoming council agenda for consideration. In the meantime, I am available for any questions regarding these projects.

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem at the request of Collaboration 3 LLC is desirous of obtaining funds from the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Grant Program of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$1,500,000, appropriated under Capital Budget Project Itemization Act of 2017-052, for the purpose of assisting Collaboration 3 LLC with the Goodman Building 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 and Controller, of said municipality, be authorized and directed to execute all application forms necessary to apply for the \$1,500,000 grant which will be passed through the City of Bethlehem to Collaboration 3 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 Collaboration 3 LLC for the project administration of said project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Bethlehem has been assured by Collaboration 3 LLC that it will assume the full local share of the project costs, which will be in excess of the \$1,500,000 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 _____, 2021.

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem at the request of LVHN, Inc. & LVH-Muhlenberg is desirous of obtaining funds from the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Grant Program of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$1,000,000, appropriated under the Capital Budget Project Itemization Act of 2013-085, for the purpose of assisting LVHN, Inc. & LVH-Muhlenberg with the LVH-Muhlenberg Intensive Care Unit project in the City of Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania; and

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the Mayor and Controller, of said municipality, be authorized and directed to execute all application forms necessary to apply for the \$1,000,000 grant which will be passed through the City of Bethlehem to LVHN, Inc. & LVH-Muhlenberg 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 LVHN, Inc. & LVH-Muhlenberg for the project administration of said project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Bethlehem has been assured by LVHN, Inc. & LVH-Muhlenberg that it will assume the full local share of the project costs, which will be in excess of the \$1,000,000 grant, and also assume responsibility for the project's ongoing operating and maintenance costs;

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