City of Kansas City, Missouri

Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: Click or tap here to enter TMP-#.
Submitted Department/Preparer: City Planning
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Executive Summary

Authorizing the Director of City Planning and Development to apply for and accept supplemental funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to increase capitalization of the Kansas City Regional Brownfield Coalition Revolving Loan Fund; estimating and appropriating revenue in the amount of $1,000,000.00 in certain Brownfield Revolving Loan Funds; and authorizing the execution of an amended cooperative agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Discussion

EPA has offered the City a Supplemental RLF Grant of $1,000,000.00 for cleanup of eligible brownfield properties in the Kansas City region, including Kansas City, MO; Jackson County, MO; and, Wyandotte County/Kansas City, KS. The funds will be added to an existing federal grant and increase the total awarded capital of the Regional Brownfield Coalition RLF Program to $2,800,000.00. When added to current unobligated funds and program income, the new program balance would be approximately $2,237,570.84

The existing grant term is five years ending 09-30-2028. All grant revenues and activities will be administered by the Department of City Planning and Development. The ordinance estimates revenue in the amount of $1,000,000.00 and appropriates the same amount, and authorizes the Director of City Planning and Development to amend federal cooperative agreement No. 4B-97798201 with EPA. No matching funds are required for this grant. EPA has requested submission of the new grant application by 6/28/2024. No applicable MBE/WBE goals.

Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget? ☐ Yes ☒ No

2. What is the funding source?

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?
   May increase revenues by $1,000,000.00

4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.
   One-time revenue increase.

5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?
   The grant increases capitalization of an existing Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF). The RLF produces program income in the form of principal and interest payments and fees on loans and interest earned on program income. In addition, RLF loans and subgrants issued by the City typically leverage other federal, state and local resources for Brownfield redevelopment projects. On average, every $1 of Brownfield investment in Kansas City leverages over $15 in public and private investment.

Office of Management and Budget Review
(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

1. This legislation is supported by the general fund. ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. This fund has a structural imbalance. ☐ Yes ☒ No
3. Account string has been verified/confirmed. ☒ Yes ☐ No

Additional Discussion (if needed)
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Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact

1. View the Adopted 2025-2029 Citywide Business Plan
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?
   Housing and Healthy Communities (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):

- ☐ Utilize planning approaches in neighborhoods to reduce blight, ensure sustainable housing, and improve resident wellbeing and cultural diversity.
- ☐ Maintain and increase affordable housing supply to meet the demands of a diverse population.
- ☒ Address the various needs of the City's most vulnerable population by working to reduce disparities.
- ☒ Foster an inclusive environment and regional approach to spur innovative solutions to housing challenges.
- ☐ Ensure all residents have safe, accessible, quality housing by reducing barriers.
- ☐ Protect and promote healthy, active amenities such as parks and trails, play spaces, and green spaces.

Prior Legislation

Ordinance Nos. 001210, 070894, 100138, 120894, 140732, 160539, 180581, 190633, 190773, 220630, 230488 and Resolution No. 150693.

Service Level Impacts

It is estimated that the $1.0 million EPA Supplemental Brownfields RLF grant will result in at least one new site cleanup completed, approximately 10 acres of formerly contaminated land or 190,000 square feet of formerly contaminated building space becoming ready for reuse, and $3,000,000 of new investment leveraged for site reuse or redevelopment. Estimates of grant impact are based on key measure data compiled for the Kansas City Brownfields Program.

Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?
   Vulnerable populations, environmental justice communities and other residents living or working on or near brownfield sites will benefit from the cleanup activities performed with the grant funds accepted by the ordinance.

2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?
   Stakeholders, including non-profits, neighborhood organizations, and interested residents were informed about the EPA Brownfields grant opportunity and the existing Kansas City Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund program through public meetings of the Kansas City Brownfields Commission. Public input is welcomed at all meetings.

3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?
   The EPA Brownfield grant helps cleanup and reuse vacant, idle and blighted properties, usually located in developed areas with existing infrastructure, public safety, schools, parks and other public services. Reuse of these sites helps the City make more efficient use of its existing investments in these services, increase density, promote public transit, reduce vehicle miles traveled and related carbon emissions, and reduce the overall cost of providing services to residents. Moreover, Brownfield site cleanup and redevelopment enhance environmental quality, help address social inequity and environmental justice issues, and contribute to the economic vitality of the affected areas and the City overall.

4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?
   Yes (Press tab after selecting)

   Total Number of Units Projects identified to potentially use these grant funds will create new affordable housing.
   Number of Affordable Units Dependent on projects funded.

5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

   No - CREO's review is not applicable (Press tab after selecting)
   Please provide reasoning why not:
   Click or tap here to enter text.

6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

   No(Press tab after selecting)

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?
   No(Press tab after selecting)