

AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor & City Commission
FROM: Ken Hibl, City Manager
DATE: August 12, 2016
RE: Appointment of Certifying Officer – ICE Grant Environmental Review

For the Agenda of August 15, 2016

Background. The City has been invited to submit a Part II application for a Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) Infrastructure Capacity Enhancement (ICE) grant in the amount of \$509K to upgrade three blocks of four-inch water main on Ann Arbor Trail to eight-inch main lines and concurrently reconstruct the three blocks of roadway/street; we accepted the invitation. A requirement of the grant criteria is the completion of an environmental review of the project area and the designation of a Certifying Officer (CO) for said review.

I queried MEDC to determine whether I could be designated as the CO for the purposes of this grant. I was advised that the Mayor should be appointed as the Certifying Officer as I would be the individual completing the Environmental Review. The City Commission is asked to appoint the Mayor as the CO for the required Environmental Review.

Issues & Questions Specified. Should the City Commission appoint Mayor Pat Humphrey as the Certifying Officer for the required ICE Environmental Review?

Alternatives.

1. Appoint Mayor Humphrey as the CO.
2. Appoint Mayor Pro Tem McConnell as the CO.
3. Do not appoint either party as the CO, thereby not fulfilling the requirements of the grant.
4. Defer decision regarding the matter to a subsequently scheduled meeting.

Financial Impact. The City is eligible to receive grant funds in the amount of \$509K if we successfully fulfill all elements of the grant criteria.

Recommendation. I recommend that the City Commission appoint Mayor Pat Humphrey as the Environmental Review Certifying Officer and concurrently appoint Mayor Pro Tem Jean McConnell as the Alternate CO by adoption of Resolution 2016-091 (*copy att'd*).

Attachment. Resolution 2016-091.

RESOLUTION 2016-091

A RESOLUTION OF THE CLARE CITY COMMISSION APPOINTING AN ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW CERTIFYING OFFICER FOR AN INFRASTRURCTURE CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT (ICE) GRANT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Clare applied to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) for a \$509,000 Infrastructure Enhancement Capacity (ICE) grant to upgrade three blocks of four-inch water main on Ann Arbor Trail to eight-inch main lines and concurrently reconstruct the three blocks of roadway/street; and

WHEREAS, the City has been invited to submit a Part II grant application to MEDC for said project; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to complete an Environmental Review as a required element of said grant; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of an Environmental Review Certifying Officer is mandated for the purposes of validating the required Environmental Review; and

WHEREAS, the Clare City Manager will be completing the Environmental Review; therefore, it is necessary to select an elected official of the City to serve as the Certifying Officer for said Environmental Review; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of Clare is the senior elected official of the City with the Mayor Pro Tem being the second most senior elected official.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Clare City Commission hereby appoints Mayor Pat Humphrey as the Environmental Review Certifying Officer for the purposes of validating an environmental review of the project area for an MEDC ICE Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Commission hereby appoints Mayor Pro Tem Jean McConnell as the Alternate Certifying Officer for the purposes of validating an environmental review of the project area for an MEDC ICE Grant.

ALL RESOLUTIONS AND PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS INsofar AS THEY CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION BE AND THE SAME ARE HEREBY RESCINDED.

The Resolution was introduced by Commissioner _____ and supported by Commissioner _____. The Resolution declared adopted by the following roll call vote:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Resolution approved for adoption on this 15th day of August 2016.

Diane Lyon, Clare City Clerk