

AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor & City Commission
FROM: Ken Hibl, City Manager
DATE: September 1, 2016
RE: Closure of Colonville Road Improvement Grant

For the Agenda of September 6, 2015

Background. The City received a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in 2014 to improve Colonville Road from a two-lane, seasonal road to a Class A, three-lane, all-season road. The project was successfully completed last year. The final pay distribution and fund reimbursement occurred earlier this year. To complete the close-out process for the CDBG with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, we are required to hold a public hearing to receive comments (pro and con) pertaining to the grant and the grant project.

Diane has noticed (*copy att'd*) the requisite hearing. The City Commission is asked to hold the hearing to facilitate grant closure.

Issues & Questions Specified. Should the City Commission conduct the requisite public hearing to allow close-out of the grant?

Alternatives.

1. Hold the hearing.
2. Do not hold the hearing.
3. Set aside decision regarding this matter to a later date.

Financial Impact. The fiscal impact is indeterminable. However, failure to close this grant requires continued reporting by the City Staff and diminishes our ability to receive future grants thru MEDC.

Recommendation. I recommend that the City Commission conduct, by appropriate motions, the requisite public hearing and subsequently adopt Resolution 2016-098 (*copy att'd*).

Attachments.

1. Public Notice.
2. Resolution 2016-098.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public is invited to attend a hearing held by the Clare City Commission on September 6, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., Clare City Hall, 202 W. Fifth Street, Clare, MI 48617, in compliance with CDGB rules and regulations for the completion and close out of the Colonville Road Improvement Project, MSC-213034-EDIG. Public comment will be accepted at the hearing or in writing. The City Clerk must receive written comment not later than 5:00 p.m. on the date of the hearing for the written comment to be considered.

**Diane Lyon
Clare City Clerk**

Publication Date: August 12, 2016

RESOLUTION 2016-098

A RESOLUTION OF THE CLARE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING PUBLIC COMMENT AND DIRECTING CLOSE-OUT OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT TO IMPROVE COLONVILLE ROAD.

WHEREAS, the City of Clare applied for and received a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) for the purpose of improving approximately one mile of East Colonville Road to foster, support, and enhance industrial and commercial development in this sector of the City; and

WHEREAS, the principle scope and primary objective of the grant project was to upgrade said Colonville Road from a two-lane, weight-restricted, seasonal roadway to a three-lane, Class A, all-season roadway; and

WHEREAS, approval of said grant was based in great part on job creation, private financial investment, and government/private partnership and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, said project has been completed; all grant, private, and local government funds have been disbursed; and the purpose, scope, and objectives of the grant project have been completed, attained, and achieved; and

WHEREAS, the City has requested that the grant be closed; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing to receive comment related to the grant and the grant project is a required step of the grant closure process; and

WHEREAS, the City has publicly noticed said hearing and the Clare City Commission has conducted said hearing to receive public comment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Commission of the City of Clare hereby affirms and attests that the hearing to receive public comment related to the Community Development Block Grant to improve approximately one mile of East Colonville Road and further confirms that the following public comment was received:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Commission hereby declares the project funded by said grant a total success with significant economic development already attained and future economic impact expected and directs its Staff to complete all other required actions to close said grant.

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