

AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor & City Commission
FROM: Ken Hibl, City Manager
DATE: November 17, 2016
RE: Discussion Topic: Small-Urban Project (East Colonville Road Realignment Project)

For the Agenda of November 21, 2016

Background The City of Clare is eligible to receive Small-Urban grant funding in the amount of \$375K with a local match requirement of approx. \$90K to assist us in completing the proposed Colonville Road Realignment Project (est. project cost of approx \$660K + engineering costs). We also have a very narrow-window opportunity to potentially qualify for a Category A MDOT grant (it's a job-creation state grant...and we have two local companies that are expected to create just over 30 jobs in the next six months), which if approved would allow us to use the CAT A grant funds as part of our local match dollars for the proposed Small-Urban Project (which is funded with federal dollars). But we also have a bridge to buy, and we have to earmark local match funds for the \$800K ICE grant that we've received to improve three blocks of road and water main on Ann Arbor Trail. So it is imperative that we discuss where we place our priorities and our limited funds. We will ask the Commission to participate in that discussion Monday evening and provide us guidance in respect to priorities and direction.

Issues & Questions Specified Should the City Commission engage in discussions related to the proposed Small-Urban Project?

Alternatives

1. Engage in the Small-Urban Project discussions.
2. Do not engage in these discussions.
3. Set aside the matter for further consideration and/or deliberation.

Financial Impact We will provide a verbal report to the Commission at Monday's meeting after discussions with our Budget Committee.

Recommendations I recommend that the City Commission discuss this topic and provide the City Staff guidance and direction in respect to pursue or defer this Small-Urban Project by adoption of Resolution 2016-133 (*to be prepared subsequent to the Commission's decision*). We will hold a Budget & Oversight Committee Meeting in preparation for these discussions.

Attachments None. Resolution 2016-133 will be prepared outlining the decision(s) of the City Commission related to this topic and any other pertinent guidance provided by the Commission.