

TO:	Jestin D. Johnson City Administrator	FROM:	Michael Kashiwagi Interim Director, Oakland Public Works
SUBJECT:	EECBG Grant	DATE:	November 05, 2024
City Administrator Approval Jestin Johnson (Nov 7, 2024 15:29 PST)		^{Date:} Nov 7, 2024	

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That City Council Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept And Appropriate Energy Efficiency And Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Funds From The United States Department Of Energy In The Amount Of Four Hundred Five Thousand Seven Hundred Ten Dollars (\$405,710) And Adopting Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act Findings.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of this proposed resolution will authorize the City Administrator to accept and appropriate EECBG Grant funds from the United States Department of Energy (DOE). Grant funds were awarded to the City of Oakland on August 1, 2024, for an energy assessment of municipal facilities in an amount of four hundred five thousand seven hundred ten dollars (\$405,710). The full amount awarded will be expended for energy assessment consultant services to research and analyze selected City Facilities and provide recommendations for improving energy efficiency and resiliency.

ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

In order to begin the project, the City is required to adopt the proposed resolution authorizing the City administrator to accept and appropriate \$405,710 in EECBG Grant funds.

In accordance with the information received, the City will be responsible for the following terms and obligations in accordance with the grant's Special Terms and Conditions, attached as *Attachment A-* Special Terms and Conditions.

Approval of this proposed resolution advances the Citywide priority to provide **vibrant**, **sustainable infrastructure** through energy assessment of select municipal facilities. Staff and consultants will identify buildings and structures to be included in this study, analyze the energy efficiency of City assets, and complete a Building Energy Assessment Plan, which will include energy efficiency and resilience recommendations for each facility. The assessment work will be complete by the end of July 2026.

Declining to accept the DOE grant delays the energy efficiency assessment of select City facilities, which likely postpones efforts to address energy inefficiencies.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of the proposed resolution will allow to City to accept and appropriate grant funds. The grant is administered on a reimbursement basis. There is no fiscal impact, and no local match is required. Staff will establish new award numbers for the Department of Energy Funds (2122) within Capital Project Organizations (30234 and 92270). Project Numbers to be determined.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

No public outreach was conducted prior to receiving notice of the EECBG Grant award in August 2024. As the energy assessment work is technical in nature, no community engagement work is anticipated. When the projects commence, staff will engage the Client Departments and Facilities maintenance staff to define priorities for the focus of the study.

COORDINATION

The grant application was prepared and reviewed in coordination with the Bureau of Maintenance and Internal Service. The proposed recommendations and this report have been reviewed by the Budget Bureau and the City Attorney's Office.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: The application for the grant has no immediate economic impact. However, businesses associated with the implementation of the projects will receive economic opportunities through contracting for services.

Environmental: As part of the City's policies and mandates, capital improvement projects must meet various environmental and sustainable programs such as the City of Oakland Green Infrastructure Guide, Bay Friendly Landscaping, etc. Any project resulting from this study would improve the physical condition and resiliency of municipal facilities.

Race and Equity: There are no direct race and equity impact as a result of this study.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT ("CEQA") REVIEW/FINDINGS

This energy assessment is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15183 (Projects Consistent with a Community Plan, General Plan or Zoning), 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction), 15303 (Small Structures), and/or 15061(b)(3) (No Significant Effect on the

Environment). Each of the above exemptions provides a separate and independent basis for CEQA compliance.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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For questions regarding this report, please contact Christine Reedat at (510) 238-6540.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments (1): A. Special Terms and Conditions