



City of Grand Island

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Council Session

Item E5

Public Hearing on Proposed Grant Application to Department of Economic Development Relative to Community Development Funding for Renovation and Expansion of Central Nebraska Goodwill Industries Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Center

The Nebraska Department of Economic Development accepts applications through the Community Development Block Grant Program for grant funding to assist with public works activities, including community centers, senior centers, primary health and mental health clinics and dependent care facilities. Applications can only be submitted by municipalities. Community Projects staff has met with a number of agencies who had requested the City make application on their behalf. After careful review of the proposed projects and discussion with the DED Program Representative, City staff is recommending the submittal of an application for the renovation and expansion of Central Nebraska Goodwill Industries Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Center. The Center is a site for comprehensive behavioral health services including day rehabilitation, employment services, day support, community support, and housing for persons with a serious mental illness. The City's request to CDBG is for funding in the amount of \$322,500; total cost of the project is anticipated to be approximately \$432,500. The remaining \$110,000 is available through Central Nebraska Goodwill Industries. Community Projects staff will monitor and oversee the grant activities. It is appropriate at this time to solicit public input. This is the first of the two required Public Hearings. The action item is contained under the Consent Agenda.

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