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## **Public Works & Transportation Committee**

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## > REVISED NOTICE

**Public Works & Transportation Committee Meeting** 

October 21, 2019 5:00 p.m. 1st Floor Council Committee Room

## **Agenda**

- A Resolution Approving the Department of Public Works' Grant Application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency to Assist in Developing Hazard Mitigation Strategies for South Wilmington.
- A Resolution Approving the Department of Public Works' Grant Application to The Delaware Water Infrastructure Advisory Council to Assist in Design of Green Stormwater Improvements Associated with The Park Improvement Project At 15th And Walnut Street
- Discussion with Department of Public Works Regarding Speed Bumps and other Preventive Measures to Reduce Speeding in Neighborhoods
- Presentation by the Department of Public Works Regarding the Lawn Leaf Program and Schedule
- ➤ A Discussion with Nathaniel Turner-Partner of NRG LED Lighting & Solar Solutions

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If public comment is permitted during this committee meeting, any member of the public who wishes to speak during the committee meeting will be limited to three minutes per agenda item. If the public's permission to comment is abused, the Chair may exercise greater discretion in limiting public comment.

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Sponsor: Council Member

**Co-Sponsors:** 

Council Members **WHEREAS,** pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the City may apply for grant funds, subject to the approval of City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works submitted a grant application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the amount of \$95,229.20 for advance assistance in the development of cost-effective and impactful hazard mitigation strategies for the vulnerable neighborhood of South Wilmington, including Southbridge; and

WHEREAS, the department of public works will be contributing 25% (\$31,743.07) of the total funding (\$126,972.27) to accomplish the same from previously budgeted funds; and

WHEREAS, the hazard mitigation activities supported by this grant will benefit critical infrastructure including the City's Office of Emergency Management, and the Port of Wilmington; and

**WHEREAS**, the Southbridge neighborhood will be directly benefited by cost-effective and impactful mitigation of detrimental environmental activities and events, including flooding hazards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Public Works, is hereby authorized to apply for grant funding from FEMA in the amount of \$95,229.20 in advance assistance related to the development of cost-effective and impactful hazard mitigation strategies for the vulnerable neighborhood of South Wilmington.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Director of the Department of Public Works, or their designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to complete the filing of the

grant application, including all undertakings and assurances taken heretofore, to accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and, if and when the grant is forthcoming, to execute the grant program for the City of Wilmington.

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**SYNOPSIS:** This Resolution authorizes the Department of Public Works' application for a grant from FEMA for advance assistance related to the development of cost-effective and impactful hazard mitigation strategies for the vulnerable neighborhood of South Wilmington including Southbridge.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:** There is no negative fiscal impact on the City as the funding to be provided by the Department of Public Works is already budgeted.

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Sponsor: Council Member Oliver

**Co-Sponsors:** 

Council Members WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Water Infrastructure Advisory Council (WIAC) offers funding in the form of a Project Planning Advance to assist municipalities in preparing Preliminary Engineering Reports and Environmental Information Documents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has previously submitted a Notice of Intent to apply for SRF Funding for this Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Public Works is seeking a grant in the amount of \$50,000 from the WIAC to prepare the necessary reports and documents associated with the design of green stormwater improvements to address stormwater needs as part of a park improvement project at 15<sup>th</sup> and Walnut Street; and

WHEREAS, those planned improvements will complement the City's Enhanced Long
Term Control Plan (ELTCP) aimed at reducing the number of combined sewer overflows
(CSOs) within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the WIAC has approved the planning project contingent upon City Council to approval of the project advance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Public Works, is hereby authorized to apply for grant

funding from WIAC in the amount of \$50,000 to assist in preparing Preliminary Engineering Reports and Environmental Information Documents related to the design of green stormwater improvements to address stormwater needs as part of a park improvement project at 15<sup>th</sup> and Walnut Street.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Director of the Department of Public Works, or their designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to complete the filing of the grant application, including all undertakings and assurances taken heretofore, to accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and, if and when the grant is forthcoming, to execute the grant program for the City of Wilmington.

Passed by City Council,	
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City Clerk	

**SYNOPSIS:** This Resolution authorizes the Department of Public Works' application for a grant from the Delaware Water Infrastructure Advisory Council in the amount of \$50,000. The remaining \$50,000 is in loan proceeds from anticipated SRF funding. The grant will assist the City in creating the Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Information Documents related to stormwater improvements needed as part of a park improvement project at 15<sup>th</sup> and Walnut Street.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:** There is no impact from this grant. In the event that the project does not move forward, the City would be required to repay the advance funds, which will come from already budgeted funds.