

Wilmington, Delaware
January 19, 2023

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Sponsor:

**Council
Member
Oliver**

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, on September 28, 2022, the City, through the Department of Public Works (the “Department”), submitted a 2022 Project Planning Advances for Wastewater, Surface Water, and Drinking Water Projects (“PPA Program”) application to the State of Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (“DNREC”) requesting grant assistance in the amount of \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, the PPA Program is a grant program assisting municipal governments in preparing Preliminary Engineering Reports (“PERs”) and Environmental Information Documents (“EIDs”) needed in order to apply for loans for public wastewater and drinking water projects under the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund, which is commonly known as the Clean Water State Revolving Fund created by the Delaware Legislature in 1990, or the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, which was developed as required under the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act Amendment of 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Department intends to use the grant funds to request that Black & Veatch complete a PER and EID in preparation of the Department’s application to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for green infrastructure improvements, including bioretention

gardens and bioswales, to the Adams Street Area to reduce pollution in its waterways through the reduction of combined sewer overflows; and

WHEREAS, no matching funds from the City are required; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and appropriate to authorize the grant application for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Public Works' grant application to the State of Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control in the amount of \$100,000.00 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, or their designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and to fulfill the grant requirements.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution authorizes the Department of Public Works' grant application to the State of Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control for funds allocated pursuant to the 2022 Project Planning Advances for Wastewater, Surface Water, and Drinking Water Projects Grant Program in the amount of \$100,000.00. The Department intends to use the funds to have a Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Information Document completed in preparation of the Department's application to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for green infrastructure improvements to the Adams Street Area to reduce water pollution in the area. No local matching funds are required.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: There is no negative fiscal impact to the City, as no local matching funds are required.