

Wilmington, Delaware
December 7, 2023

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Sponsor:
Council Member Oliver

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, City 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 Department of Public Works has submitted a Congressionally Directed Spending Request Application and two grant applications to the United States Environmental Protection Agency in the total amount of Eleven Million Eight Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$11,860,000.00) (collectively, the “Grant Applications”); and

WHEREAS, the City intends to use the proposed grant funding requested in the Grant Applications to: (i) expand the City’s sewer infrastructure in the southern portion of the City south of the Christina River; (ii) rehabilitate the Price’s Run sewer interceptor; and (iii) construct new stormwater pipes and associated structures in order to remove stormwater runoff from the existing combined sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Applications contain no formal match requirement; and

WHEREAS, despite no formal match requirement, the City would pay for a portion of each of the proposed projects out of already budgeted capital funds; and

WHEREAS, City Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the City’s Grant Applications, for the aforesaid purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Grant Applications in the total amount of Eleven Million Eight Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$11,860,000.00) are hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioner of Public Works, or her designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with the Grant Applications and to fulfill the requirements of the grants.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution authorizes the Department of Public Works’ three grant applications to the federal government in the total amount of Eleven Million Eight Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$11,860,000.00). The grant funds will be used to perform numerous water and wastewater infrastructure projects.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: There is no negative fiscal impact to the City. There is no formal match requirement, and although the City will pay for a portion of the proposed projects itself, such payments will be sourced from previously budgeted capital funds.

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