

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF COLUMBIA HEIGHTS, MINNESOTA, APPROVING THE CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FIRE SUPPRESSION GRANT, PILOT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, current building code requires business and property owners that propose a change in use, expansion, and/or remodel, to meet modern day sprinkler requirements similar to those for new construction; and

WHEREAS, the EDA in conjunction with Community Development staff, has identified the cost of installing fire suppression systems in commercial buildings as a barrier for many new or expanding small businesses; and

WHEREAS, in response to these findings the EDA has created the Fire Suppression Grant, Pilot Program, partially alleviating the costs of installing a fire suppression system, and promoting the revitalization, restoration, and safety of commercial spaces within the City; and

WHEREAS, the EDA will fund this pilot program, \$45,000 in total, utilizing fund 408, more specifically the \$45,000 of unused 2020 Façade Improvement Grant Program funding;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, after appropriate examination and due consideration, the Authority:

1. Approves the creation and implementation of the EDA's Fire Suppression Grant Pilot Program.
2. Authorizes the appropriation of \$45,000 from fund 408 for the expenditures associated with the Fire Suppression Grant, Pilot Program.
3. Authorizes Community Development staff to take such action as they deem necessary and appropriate to carry out the purposes of the Fire Suppression Grant, Pilot Program.

ORDER OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Adopted this 2nd day of May, 2022

Offered by:

Seconded by:

Roll Call:

Marlaine Szurek, President

Attest:

Alicia Howe, Secretary