



Letter of Intent – Federal BRIC Grant Application

Dear Commissioners,

Public Buildings and the Water Department are seeking approval to apply for the Federal Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant.

This funding opportunity supports projects that strengthen infrastructure and reduce the impacts of natural disasters. Our proposed application will focus on the installation of emergency generators at critical City facilities.

Currently, the Denver Booster Pump Station provides water service to Zones 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8. This facility does not have backup power, and in the event of a power outage during a natural disaster, approximately 63% of our water service zones could be without water.

Additionally, while the Fire Department has an operational generator at the Fire Hall, the unit is undersized and does not supply power to the entire facility, limiting its effectiveness during emergency situations.

The BRIC grant provides up to 75% funding for eligible project costs, including generator installation. We are requesting Commission approval for the City's 25% match required to pursue this funding opportunity.

We are also requesting authorization to partner with the Black Hills Council of Local Governments to assist with preparation and submission of the grant application.

Approval of this request will allow staff to move forward with a critical step in improving the City's emergency preparedness and infrastructure resilience.

Sincerely,

Lornie Stalder
Public Works Director