

## **Staff Report**

**Subject:** Office of Senator Warnock FY25 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) Request

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**Item Description:** This is a request that the ECBOC ratify and affirm the submission of the FY25 CDS Request form to the Office of Senator Warnock.

### **Summary Recommendation:**

Staff requests approval for ECBOC to ratify and affirm the submission of the FY25 CDS Request form to the Office of Senator Warnock.

### **Executive Summary:**

The FY25 Community Development Service (CDS) Request submitted to the Office of Senator Warnock seeks funding to construct a force main connecting Effingham County Wastewater Treatment to the City of Springfield. The requested amount for this initiative is \$17,500,000.

Community Development Service (CDS) is a federal program that provides funding for local infrastructure projects aimed at improving community facilities, services, and housing. It supports initiatives that enhance the quality of life, promote sustainable development, and address the needs of growing populations. CDS funding is crucial for projects like wastewater management systems, affordable housing developments, and other community enhancements that foster economic growth and environmental sustainability.

### **Background:**

1. The total requested amount was \$17,500,000.00.
2. The grant is competitive.
3. No cost share requirement.
4. The request deadline was April 5, 2024.

### **Alternatives for the Commission to Consider:**

1. Approval for ECBOC to ratify and affirm the submission FY25 CDS Request form to the Office of Senator Warnock.
2. Do not approve ECBOC to ratify and affirm the FY25 CDS Request form submission to the Office of Senator Warnock.
3. Provide Staff with Direction

### **Recommended Alternative:**

Staff recommends Alternative number 1

**Other Alternatives:**

N/A

**Department Review:** *(list departments)*

Finance

**Funding Source:**

No cost share requirement.

**Attachments:**