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Fwd: LIFT Awards for City Council

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From: **Eric Andrews** <eric.andrews@307cpas.com>

Date: Thu, Jun 8, 2023 at 1:30 PM

Subject: LIFT Awards for City Council

To: Charri Lara <clara@landerwyoming.org>CC: Sarah Lancaster Hamlin <slancast@gmail.com>, Marilyn Fisher <marilyn@torringtoncpas.com>

Hi Chari,

LEDA has voted for the following awards to be presented to City Council for approval at the next meeting. These are listed in order scoring highest to lowest.

- a. WYO-131 Gravel Grinder – An growing event held here in Lander. This is a gravel bike event that features 13, 40, 80, and a 131-mile course. Started in 2017 with 19 registered participants. 2022 saw 130 registered participants bring ~200 people to town. 2023 is expected to register 300 riders. Funds will be used to create advertisement media to help grow the event. Award amount = \$7,500 (less than 50% of total project cost)
- b. Lander Presents – Another growing event held here in Lander. This is currently a summer concert series (formerly Lander Live by the Chamber) that features 6 summer concerts for the community with plans to add additional events moving forward. Funds will be used to hire an event manager as the volunteer board is taxed and they're afraid of volunteer burn out. Award amount = \$3,750 (less than 50% of total project cost)
- c. The Lander Garage – This is the renovation of the old garage next to the Lander Motel. This will house Pushroot Brewing when complete. Building is owned by same owners as the Lander Motel (The Lander, LLC) which has been awarded in the past. Project request is specifically for infrastructure costs associated the garage renovation. Project aims to provide another dining option to Lander and beautify main street. Award amount = \$67,500 (less than 50% of total project cost)
- d. Waveform Healthcare Education, LLC – A small LLC providing health education services within Lander seeking to expand its service offerings. Project is to purchase better training equipment to offer more specialized courses. Award amount = \$9,525 (more than 50% of total project cost)
- e. CDS Expansion – CDS would like to expand into child care services and after school care within Lander. Funds are to add staff and increase salaries of current staff. Award amount = \$53,278 (less than 50% of total project cost, ED funding ran out funding this award)
- f. 450 Main Remodel – Jake Huhnke is seeking funds to assist in renovating the upstairs of the building at 450 Main St (his office). The upstairs will be rented out as a short-term rental (hopefully to traveling nurses or the like). Award amount = \$0 (ED quarterly funding amount ran out with previous award)

Marilyn and I will plan to be at the meeting to answer questions. I am also available to meet with Council members or the Mayor should they have questions or want additional information prior to the meeting.

I'm not sure what information the Council has received in the past prior to the presentation so let me know what other information you need.