

City of Miles City Downtown Urban Renewal Agency

CITY OF MILES CITY, MONTANA

TIFD Business Assistance Grant Action Summary

Excerpted From April 23, 2026 Minutes

Applicant: City of Miles City

Address: 17 South 8th St., Miles City

Owner(s): City of Miles City

Project Cost: \$75,000 to \$99,999 (Estimated)

TIF Award: \$35,000 Maximum (40%)

The commissioners reviewed an application from Kelsey Merritt, submitted on behalf of the City of Miles City, for TIFD business assistance related to the development of a Downtown Masterplan. Based on three preliminary estimates provided by consulting firms, the projected cost of the project is \$75,000 to \$99,999. A CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) Planning Grant application will be submitted to the Montana Department of Commerce by Mrs. Merritt to further cover costs. The CDBG Planning Grant requires a 3 to 1 match (25%), which would be provided and documented by the approval of this TIF request. The Planning Grant is estimated at \$50,000, and the TIFD business assistance grant is requested in the amount of \$35,000. The project qualifies for TIF participation under MCA 7-15-4288 (9).

After discussion, a motion to award to the City of Miles City a TIFD grant representing a percentage of total project costs according to URA/TIFD policy guidelines up to a maximum dollar amount of \$35,000 and subject to City Council approval, was made by Commissioner Strouf, seconded by Commissioner Clarke, and carried, with Commissioner Janshen abstaining.