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## CITY OF PORT LAVACA

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**PORT COMMISSION MEETING:** 9.20.2022

**DATE:** 9.15.2022

**TO:** PORT COMMISSION CC: J. RUDELLAT

**FROM:** JODY WEAVER, INTERIM CITY MANAGER

**SUBJECT: GRANT OPPORTUNITIES: CDBG-MIT REGIONAL MITIGATION AND MATAGORDA BAY MITIGATION TRUST**

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- A) You may recall that in 2021 we had made application for CDBG-Mitigation dollars to fund drainage improvements and shoreline protection for the Corporation Ditch. We lost that competition for funding by one point in scoring. We were told that there would be a second “bucket” of funds available this fall.

Attached is a letter from the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission explaining about the proposed allocation of over \$80M to the GCRPC region. We are slated to receive \$8.33M, but the allocation will not be final until after the public comment period which ends on October 14.

There is a public hearing at the Bauer Community Center Monday night, September 19 at 6 pm. For more information you can go to [www.gcrpc.org](http://www.gcrpc.org)

I will be in attendance to obviously support the proposed allocation. Tentatively we would look to utilize these grant funds for 1) Drainage improvements to the Corporation Ditch drainage basin (we already have Mott McDonald performing a drainage study to identify projects to improve drainage) and 2) shoreline protection at the Harbor of Refuge where the trash cells are exposed.

- B) The Matagorda Bay Mitigation Trust has issued a call for proposals due on October 17, 2022. I am working on a proposal for funding to help with the Harbor of Refuge shoreline protection projects plus a second proposal to construct an extension to the bulkhead/sidewalk at Scully's to begin the walkway ultimately to the Veterans Memorial, provide access to the beach area there for kayaking and parking improvements with the overall purpose of providing improved public access to the shoreline.



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August 31, 2022

RE: Texas General Land Office, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Regional Mitigation Program – Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission (GCRPC) Method of Distribution (MOD) Funding Notification

Dear Mayor Whitlow,

The GLO allocated \$80,317,000 to the Golden Crescent region as part of the State of Texas CDBG Mitigation Action Plan as amended. GCRPC was tasked to develop a MOD for the funding through the Regional Mitigation Program. The City of Port Lavaca is included as a potential recipient of funding in the preliminary MOD in the amount of \$8,332,800. This amount is subject to change as the public participation process is completed and until final MOD approval by the GLO. Due to CDBG-MIT grant requirements, the state is required to reach a certain threshold tied to benefitting low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons, therefore \$4,166,400 of your funding must be used for projects that benefit LMI persons in your community. The MOD is currently posted for public comment until October 14, 2022 and available at [www.gcrpc.org](http://www.gcrpc.org) for review.

To accept or decline the funds allocated through the MOD, please sign and return the attached form to GCRPC by September 23, 2022. Once the GLO approves the final MOD, the GLO will post application information at <https://recovery.texas.gov/mitigation/programs/regional-mitigation/index.html>.

Please note that declining to participate in the COG MOD may exclude the City of Port Lavaca if there are any future allocations or reallocations of funds through this Regional Mitigation Program. It is recommended each entity officially involve their city council, county commissioners court, or other governing body in the decision to accept or decline funds.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to our Regional Services Manager, Hannah Crone, at [hannahc@gcrpc.org](mailto:hannahc@gcrpc.org) or 361.578.1587, ext. 206.

Sincerely,

Michael Ada  
Executive Director



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Entity	Allocation	LMI Portion
City of Port Lavaca	\$8,332,800	\$4,166,400

I, Jack Whitlow, the designated official of City of Port Lavaca :  
Print Name Print Entity Name

☒ Acknowledge and accept funding through the Regional Mitigation Program.

☐ Acknowledge and decline funding through the Regional Mitigation Program.

Jack Whitlow  
Designated Official Signature

9/7/2022  
Date

Please return this form to GCRPC no later than close of business on **September 23, 2022**.

Email: [hannahc@gcrpc.org](mailto:hannahc@gcrpc.org)

Mail: Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission

Attn: GLO CDBG MIT MOD

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