

CITY OF RICHLAND CENTER

AGENDA ITEM DATA SHEET

Agenda Item: HUD CPF Grant Project

Requested & Presented by: Econ Development Director Glasbrenner; Administrator Oliphant

Meeting Date: Finance Committee & Common Council - 12-02-2025

Background: In 2024, the City was awarded a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Project Funding Grant in the amount of \$2.5 million to support municipal infrastructure expansion.

- The grant was originally submitted to extend utility and roadway infrastructure on and around the future hospital site. Due to an extended project start timeline, we needed to reallocate the funds.
- Several potential reallocation projects were discussed, including Hive Drive improvements in collaboration with the High School, the Jefferson Street Redevelopment Area, and the Lamont Housing Subdivision.
- In a July Special Session, the Council approved allocating additional funding for housing infrastructure toward the Lamont project.
- Due to unforeseen delays with the Lamont Housing Subdivision, we are requesting your approval to shift our subdivision efforts to explore a collaboration with the County on developing a portion of the Old Campus site—a concept that was originally considered in 2021.
- Mayor Coppernoll and Director Glasbrenner reintroduced this concept to the County Campus Reconfiguration Committee at its November 19th meeting, where it was well received, though no official votes or decisions were made.
- A cost estimate prepared by Vierbicher Engineering indicates that the supporting infrastructure required for the Campus Subdivision would be approximately \$2.1 million.
- The Campus Reconfiguration Committee has indicated that they would like this item discussed further at their Dec. 17th meeting.
- Concept maps attached

Department Recommendation: Authorize City Administration and Economic Development to continue to work on the concept of a housing subdivision in collaboration with the County.

Financial Impact:

Funding Source: HUD CPF Grant B-24-CP-WI-2332

Requested Action:

FINANCE: Motion to recommend to Common Council to approve of the City Administration and Economic Development Departments collaborating with the County to explore a potential housing subdivision on a portion of the Old Campus site, and to incorporate the HUD Community Project Funding (CPF) Grant into the planning and funding strategy for this project.

COUNCIL: Motion to approve of the City Administration and Economic Development Departments collaborating with the County to explore a potential housing subdivision on a portion of the Old Campus site, and to incorporate the HUD Community Project Funding (CPF) Grant into the planning and funding strategy for this project.

Attachment(s):

Conceptual Subdivision Map

Vierbicher Estimate of Development Costs