

Res. No. <u>7</u> - 22 - 23. By Alderpersons Felde and Filicky-Peneski. January 16, 2023.

A Resolution authorizing submission of a 2023 Vibrant Spaces Grant application for the revitalization and energizing of the Uptown Parklet in partnership with neighboring businesses.

WHEREAS, the City of Sheboygan recognizes that public reinvestment in business corridors is an important part of community development; and

WHEREAS, a new Vibrant Spaces Grant pilot program through Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation is designed to assist with creating vibrant and engaging communities that make it easier to recruit and retain residents, sustain a labor force, and enhance the local quality of life by developing business corridors such as the Uptown Parklet to provide accessible locations to foster community connections and provide accessible locations for programming and amenities desired by local residents; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council desires to obtain grant assistance through the Vibrant Spaces Grant and is committed, if awarded a grant, to enter into a grant contract with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, including the provision of matching funds; and

WHEREAS, suspension of the rules is requested because the grant application is due January 31, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That City of Sheboygan staff are authorized and directed to apply for grant assistance from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation under the 2023 Vibrant Spaces Grant Award program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City agrees as part of the application to comply with state rules for the program should the grant be awarded to the City.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Director of Planning and Development is authorized to act on behalf of the City of Sheboygan to submit an application to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation for funding under the Vibrant Spaces Grant program, sign documents, and take necessary action to comply with approved award activities, including but not limited to drafting any resolution for Common Council approval that may be necessary to authorize the expenditure of any and all matching funds and identify the appropriate account from which said expenditures shall be paid.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed by the
Common Council of the City of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, on the _____ day of
_____, 20____,
Dated ______, 20____, City Clerk
Approved ______ 20____, Mayor