



City of Stevenson

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To: City Council
From: Leana Kinley, City Administrator
RE: COVID Funding
Meeting Date: July 16, 2020

Executive Summary:

The city received a grant through the CARES Act for \$48,600 for COVID related expenses. There is the opportunity for additional funds to assist the low-moderate income population through Community Development Block Grant.

Overview of Items:

The city has spent almost \$19k in supplies and just over \$8k in salaries related to COVID which can be reimbursed through the CARES grant. This leaves about \$21k through October 31, 2020 remaining to spend. The CARES funds can be used for economic support, such as grants to small businesses. More information on what the costs can be used for can be found in the attached document "Coronavirus Relief Funds for Local Governments Eligible Cost Test."

The CDBG COVID funds available can be increased by \$2k when used collectively with Skamania County and North Bonneville, providing \$38,244 for the community. These can be used to fund public services (including utility/rent/mortgage subsistence payments) and local microenterprise assistance programs; and public health, emergency response or temporary housing facilities that address COVID-19 impacts and grant administration. I am coordinating the collaborative between Skamania County, North Bonneville and Stevenson. I have reached out to WAGAP to determine their needs and Executive Director Leslie Naramore will be present at the meeting.

Action Needed:

Direction as to whether or not to move forward with obtaining the CDBG funds and guidance on how to spend the remaining funds from the CARES Act grant.