



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Title: Request for Council Action – Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Lebanon and Sub-Grantee Agreement with Boys and Girls Clubs of the Greater Santiam for Emergency Childcare CDBG Application

Preferred Agenda: July 14, 2020

Submitted By: Blair Larsen, Community & Economic Development Director

Reviewed By: Ray Towry, City Manager

Type of Action: Resolution ____ Motion X Roll Call ____ Other ____

Relevant Code/Policy: Sweet Home City Charter

Towards Council Goal: Aspiration V, Goal #4

Attachments: Sweet Home Lebanon Emergency Childcare CDBG Intergovernmental Agreement, Sweet Home BGCGS Emergency Childcare Sub-grantee Agreement

Purpose of this RCA:

The purpose of this RCA is to present an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Lebanon for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application to provide Emergency Childcare, and a sub-grantee agreement with the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Greater Santiam to provide Emergency Childcare, and empower the City Manager to sign both agreements.

Background/Context:

COVID-19 has had an enormous impact on small businesses and employment throughout the nation. In particular, regulations intended to combat the pandemic have decreased the availability of childcare in our region. The City of Sweet Home has the opportunity to apply for \$50,000 to be used for Emergency Childcare provided by the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Greater Santiam (BGCGS). There is no local match for this grant. This grant is being awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, so the City needs to get an application submitted as soon as possible.

This funding can only be granted to cities and counties, and the City has partnered with BGCGS to provide the actual services. Because BGCGS provides childcare at two locations, one in Sweet Home, and one in Lebanon, the application requires an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Lebanon.

The Challenge/Problem:

How can the City utilize its position to obtain federal grant funds to assist employers and employees in Sweet Home and East Linn County?

Stakeholders:

Employers and Employees in the City of Sweet Home and East Linn County.

Issues and Financial Impacts:

While the grant award can be up to \$50,000, there is no local match required. The only financial impact on the City is the cost of the staff time required to submit the application.

Elements of a Stable Solution:

A signed Intergovernmental agreement with the City of Lebanon, and a sub-grantee agreement with the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Greater Santiam will allow the City to proceed with the CDBG application process.

Options:

1. Do nothing. Do not sign an IGA or sub-grantee agreement and do not apply for these CDBG funds.
2. Make a motion to authorize the City Manager to sign the proposed Emergency Childcare CDBG Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Lebanon, and to enter into a sub-grantee agreement with the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Greater Santiam.
3. Direct Staff to apply for this funding for a different public service, different partner, or make changes to the proposed intergovernmental agreement.

Recommendation:

Option 2, *motion to authorize the City Manager to sign the proposed Emergency Childcare CDBG Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Lebanon, and to enter into a sub-grantee agreement with the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Greater Santiam.*