

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

11-0218R

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$500,000 IN CLIMATE SHOWCASE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM FUNDING FROM THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR THE DULUTH ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM (DEEP) AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE APPROPRIATE AGENCY.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the city council of Duluth hereby accepts \$500,000 in showcase communities program funding from the United States environmental protection agency for the Duluth energy efficiency program (DEEP), which will assist Duluth's property owners to reduce energy costs through home performance assessment, education or energy savings improvements to their homes. Grant funds to be deposited into Federal Program Fund 262 - community development - Agency 020, Revenue Source 4209-02.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the city council authorizes a contract for implementing DEEP with Northern Communities Land Trust (NCLT) for \$500,000, payable from Federal Program Fund 262 - community development - Agency 020, Object 5434, project CDEPA.

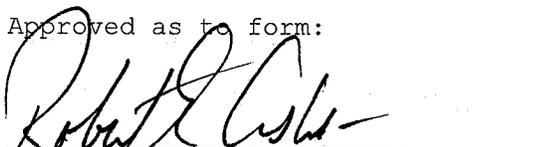
Approved:

  
Department Director

Approved for presentation to council:

  
Chief Administrative Officer

Approved as to form:

  
Attorney

Approved:

  
Auditor

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes the city to accept a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Showcase Communities

Program for the Duluth Energy Efficiency Program (DEEP), and to contract with Northern Communities Land Trust's single member LLC Common Ground, to carry out the program activities. The grant is for a three year period starting in 2011, and the contract will be administered through the Community Development Division. The \$500,000 grant will be spent entirely for energy efficiency related activities.

In February, 2010, the city council accepted funding from the State of Minnesota's Office of Energy and to authorize a contract with Common Ground to implement DEEP. This is a joint effort by Minnesota Power, city utilities and other interested parties to reduce energy costs through home audits, education on available energy saving options, and a rebate program for energy saving improvements made by homeowners. Common Ground was selected by a request for proposal (RFP) process as the entity to oversee DEEP and to coordinate access to the various partner organizations energy related programs. The city council also approved Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2010 funding in the amount of \$187,200 for the program, and has received a recommendation for 2011 CDBG funding in the amount of \$116,400.

DEEP is a comprehensive, innovative residential energy efficiency program that utilizes and develops best practices from working with homeowners for behavioral change to the installation of energy improvements to homes. The goal of the EPA Climate Showcase grant to reduce energy consumption and make housing more affordable through energy cost reductions. DEEP is designed to overcome barriers to accomplishing improvements and to work toward development of market-based strategies for all Duluth households regardless of income.

	<b>U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY</b>  <b>Cooperative Agreement</b>		ASSISTANCE ID NO.			DATE OF AWARD 03/15/2011		
			PRG	DOC ID	AMEND#			
			AF -	83494601	- 0	TYPE OF ACTION New		MAILING DATE 03/22/2011
			PAYMENT METHOD: ACH			ACH# 50053		
RECIPIENT TYPE: Municipal			Send Payment Request to: Las Vegas Finance Center					
RECIPIENT:			PAYEE:					
City of Duluth 411 W. 1st. Street - Room 208 Duluth, MN 55802-1192 EIN: 41-6005105			Treasurer City of Duluth 411 W. 1st. Street - Room 208 Duluth, MN 55802-1192					
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<b>PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION</b> Cold Climate Community Solutions - Duluth Duluth will be implementing a comprehensive residential energy efficiency program that targets four different audiences: single family homes, do-it-yourselfers, multi family homes, and low-income residents. This 4 pronged program will reduce city-wide residential energy use, leading to reduced greenhouse gas emissions and utility bill savings for city residents.								
BUDGET PERIOD 03/01/2011 - 02/28/2014		PROJECT PERIOD 03/01/2011 - 02/28/2014		TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST \$750,000.00	TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST \$750,000.00			
<b>NOTICE OF AWARD</b>								
Based on your application dated 07/26/2010, including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), hereby awards \$500,000. EPA agrees to cost-share 67.00% of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$500,000. Such award may be terminated by EPA without further cause if the recipient fails to provide timely affirmation of the award by signing under the Affirmation of Award section and returning all pages of this agreement to the Grants Management Office listed below within 21 days after receipt, or any extension of time, as may be granted by EPA. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA statutory provisions. The applicable regulatory provisions are 40 CFR Chapter 1, Subchapter B, and all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.								
ISSUING OFFICE (GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE)			AWARD APPROVAL OFFICE					
ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS			ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS					
Grants and Interagency Agreement Management Division 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Mail code 3903R Washington, DC 20460			Environmental Protection Agency Office of Air & Radiation 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20460					
<b>THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY</b>								
SIGNATURE OF AWARD OFFICIAL Digital signature applied by EPA Award Official		TYPED NAME AND TITLE Denise A. Polk, Chief Grants Management Branch B		DATE 03/15/2011				
<b>AFFIRMATION OF AWARD</b>								
<b>BY AND ON BEHALF OF THE DESIGNATED RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION</b>								
SIGNATURE		TYPED NAME AND TITLE		DATE				

## EPA Funding Information

FUNDS	FORMER AWARD	THIS ACTION	AMENDED TOTAL
EPA Amount This Action	\$	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
EPA In-Kind Amount	\$	\$	\$ 0
Unexpended Prior Year Balance	\$	\$	\$ 0
Other Federal Funds	\$	\$	\$ 0
Recipient Contribution	\$	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
State Contribution	\$	\$	\$ 0
Local Contribution	\$	\$	\$ 0
Other Contribution	\$	\$	\$ 0
Allowable Project Cost	\$ 0	\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000

Assistance Program (CFDA)	Statutory Authority	Regulatory Authority
66.041 - Climate Showcase Communities Grant Program	Public Law 111-88 Department of Interior Environment and Related Agencies Appropriations Act 2010	40 CFR PART 31

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Site Name	Req No	FY	Approp. Code	Budget Organization	PRC	Object Class	Site/Project	Cost Organization	Obligation / Deobligation
-	1158EE1205	11	E1C	58E11	105A29E	4183			500,000
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Table A - Object Class Category (Non-construction)	Total Approved Allowable Budget Period Cost
1. Personnel	\$12,000
2. Fringe Benefits	\$0
3. Travel	\$0
4. Equipment	\$0
5. Supplies	\$0
6. Contractual	\$0
7. Construction	\$0
8. Other	\$738,000
9. Total Direct Charges	\$750,000
10. Indirect Costs: <u>0.00%</u> Base <u>0.00</u>	\$0
11. Total (Share: Recipient <u>33.00</u> % Federal <u>67.00</u> %.)	\$750,000
12. Total Approved Assistance Amount	\$500,000
13. Program Income	\$0
14. Total EPA Amount Awarded This Action	\$500,000
15. Total EPA Amount Awarded To Date	\$500,000