



Legislation Text

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Consideration of and action on acknowledging the City of Deer Park's acceptance of the conditional approval of the 2017 CDBG-DR Hurricane Harvey Round 1 Infrastructure Grant.

Summary:

In 2018, the City of Deer Park was allocated to receive \$2,920,500 in Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds for infrastructure damaged or failed to function by Hurricane Harvey through the Harris County Method of Distribution (MOD). This funding is from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and administered through the Texas General Land Office (GLO). It is separate from funding provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) administered through the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM).

On October 16, 2018, City Council authorized submission of a grant application to Harris County under the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Round 1 funds for Hurricane Harvey. As flood control and drainage repair and improvements (including the construction or rehabilitation of storm water management systems is eligible under the grant) the grant application was for Bayou Bend Regional Detention Facility and Drainage Improvements to construct a new detention pond and the installation of approximately three thousand six hundred linear feet (3,600 LF) of storm sewer with concrete pipes, grade ditches, storm sewer inlets, culverts, and complete associated appurtenances.

Harris County has now notified us that the above-referenced project has been approved for a conditional award in the amount of \$2,920,500.00 for this project. This award is contingent upon the following:

1. Approval from the Harris County Commissioners Court regarding the execution of a contract with Harris County.
2. Approval from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Texas General Land Office (GLO) regarding the project's Environmental Review Record (ERR) and Release of Funds.

In addition to meeting the conditions indicated above, the City is required to provide the following items before contract execution:

1. A written response on letterhead acknowledging your organization's acceptance of the conditional award by August 22, 2019.
2. Copies of all project-related subcontracts currently in effect or that will be in effect as of the start of your contract by August 22, 2019. Please note that proper procurement of services should be reviewed with Harris County before finalizing any contracts.

3. Submission of an updated design/construction timeline for the proposed project by August 22, 2019.

4. Compliance with the following GLO Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) review recommendation: "To preserve the public-use facilities (within Bayou Bend Park), the project should incorporate existing recreational amenities into the design of the new detention pond so that no existing recreational facilities are impacted."

A copy of the August 8, 2019 letter from Harris County and the proposed letters acknowledging acceptance of the conditional award are attached.

Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:

\$2,920,500 in Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) grant funds available, 70% of CDBG-DR funding must benefit low-to moderate income (LMI) persons/communities. The proposed project meets these criteria.

Authorize submission of two letters acknowledging the City of Deer Park's acceptance of the conditional approval of the 2017 CDBG-DR Hurricane Harvey Round 1 Infrastructure Grant.