



**TO:** Mayor Thomas Ross  
Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Stephen Joersz, PE, PTOE, Traffic Engineer

**DATE:** May 1, 2023

**SUBJECT: ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT (EECBG)  
PROGRAM AWARD ACCEPTANCE**

**I. RECOMMENDED ACTION**

1. It is recommend that Council accept the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program award in the amount of \$76,670.
2. It is recommend that Council direct staff to apply EECBG funds to perform streetlight luminaire replacements.
3. Recommend Council approve the proposed budget amendment on first reading.

**II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS**

Lance Meyer, City Engineer	857-4100
Stephen Joersz, Traffic Engineer	857-4100

**III. DESCRIPTION**

A. Background

In March 2023, the City staff were notified that our municipality was eligible to receive federal grant funding through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) program. The EECBG funding allocation of \$76,670 is predetermined by the Department of Energy and any associated project does not request a cost share.

From the U.S. Department of Energy regarding the EECBG program:

- Eligible activities range from strategy development to clean energy deployment.
- Funds can be community wide; not just for government buildings and facilities.
- Governments can fund clean energy projects or launch clean energy programs.

B. Proposed Project

City staff is proposing to utilize the EECBG Program funds to continue the streetlight LED conversion work that the City is currently undertaking in a multi-year effort. While the exact project limits have not yet been determined yet for this program, it is anticipated that the EECBG Program could replace between 50 to 80 streetlight luminaires.

C. Consultant Selection

N/a

**IV. IMPACT:**

A. Strategic Impact:

N/a

B. Service/Delivery Impact:

N/a

C. Fiscal Impact:

A budget amendment is needed to incorporate the EECBG Program funds into the 2023 budget. The funds will be allocated to Traffic Departments' Signals & Lighting line item.

EECBG Program Funding	\$76,670
Budget Amendment Increase 1003700-44505	\$76,670

**V. CITY COUNCIL ASPIRATIONS**

This item achieves the aspirations of safe and welcoming and excellent and connected.

**VI. ALTERNATIVES**

1. Council could elect to not receive the federal funding through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program.
2. Council could direct staff to utilize the EECBG Program funds in a different fashion. Staff will need direction from council on how to utilize or program the EECBG funding.

**V. TIME CONSTRAINTS**

Staff requests that council accept the EECBG Program funding and recommended use so that staff has time finish the application in a timely manner.

**VI. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

- A. Budget Amendment for EECBG Program