



Agenda Item: Grant

Title: Authorization for Submission of Two Grant Applications to the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security – State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)

Recommended Council MOTION:

I move to authorize the Laramie Public Works Department to submit two grant applications to the Wyoming Department of Homeland Security State Homeland Security Program in the amount of \$100,000.00 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) each for the purpose of improved security measures related to the City water and wastewater system.

Administrative or Policy Goal:

Improve security and reduce risk for the water and wastewater systems.

Background:

The application period for the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security State Homeland Security Program grant is now open and provides federal funds to public entities within the State of Wyoming. The grant provides funding to prevent and respond to threatened or actual threats of terrorism and other catastrophic events. State Homeland Security Program provides \$415 Million nationwide to support the implementation of risk-driven, capabilities-based State Homeland Security Strategies to address capability targets. This is a highly competitive grant as no match is required.

The City of Laramie water and wastewater systems were evaluated by Homeland Security in February 2019. Several items were identified as high risks. The Wister Pump Station Barrier and security on remote sites were listed as critical concerns in the Multi-Asset System Assessment evaluation.

Homeland Security identified the proximity of the Wister Pump Station to Grand Avenue poses a risk to the pump station from an accident or a runaway vehicle and recommended a barrier be installed between the pump station and Grand Ave. The barrier will need to be designed and approved by WYDOT due to the proximity of their right-of-way. The Public Works Department is requesting permission to apply for a grant to address this issue from the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security State Homeland Security Program in the amount of \$100,000.00 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars).

Homeland Security also recommended improved security at remote sites that are part of the water and wastewater systems by installing intrusion alarms and programmable locks at these locations. The Public Works Department is requesting permission to apply for a grant to address this issue from the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security State Homeland Security Program in the amount of \$100,000.00 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars).

Legal/Statutory Authority:

The Wyoming Office of Homeland Security

BUDGET/FISCAL INFORMATION:

REVENUE

Source	Amount	Type
Fees/Charges for Service		
Grants for Projects	\$200,000.00	SHSP grant award pending
Loans on Project		
Other		
Total	\$200,000.00	Total revenue if project is awarded

EXPENSE

Proposed Project Cost.

Project Budget	Amount	Funds
Project Cost	\$200,000.00	Total cost for 2 projects
Loans on Project		
Grants for Project		
Other/Outside Projects		
City's Amount	\$200,000.00	
Contingency	0%	\$0.00
Total Amount	\$200,000.00	

Responsible Staff:

Brooks Webb, Public Works Director

Cal Van Zee, Utility Division Manager

Attachments:

Grant Pre-Application Form