

**Grants Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
September 14, 2023  
4:30 PM  
City Hall**

Present: Annette Flanders, Chris Sekula, Michael Hartigan, Alicia Devereaux, Kim Sherwood, Nicole Morgan

1. Call to Order
2. Approved 9/14/2023 agenda
3. Approved 7/13/2023 meeting minutes
4. Old Business:
  - a. Golden LEAF Trevino drainage project:  
Grant submitted for \$250,000 for pipe materials and installation on 6/2/2023; ditch cleaning will be performed by the City and not included in grant application. Suzanne received an email from Golden Leaf that the grant submission was reviewed and additional evidence of flooding is needed. Suzanne will meet with Public Works to review.  
<https://www.goldenleaf.org/>
5. New Business:
  - a. Discussion regarding city resources to administer existing and future grant funds and needs for funding:  
No matching funds are available so we need to look for grants with no matching funds requirements. Suzanne will continue to manage grants. Grant priorities are storm water and City Center Master Plan.
  - b. Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods (RCN) program, previously known as the Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) Discretionary grant, deemed not a viable grant at this time.  
<https://www.transportation.gov/grants/rcnprogram>
  - c. The Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant 2024 funding is open. Nicole received an outreach email encouraging Letter of Intent (LOI) submissions for flood control, water, sewer or infrastructure improvement needs by 10/2/2023. Matching funds are required and needs to be non-federal funds. Potential storm water projects would be Twin Lakes Drive and possibly incorporating multiple projects into one such as including Nicholas Drive. The submission has to tie into our hazard mitigation plan. Gordon and Public Works to provide the project estimate and the City will submit the LOI.  
<https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/building-resilient-infrastructure-communities>

6. Grant Research Assignments
  - a. Grants Committee to continue to review [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) and [nc.gov/grants](https://www.nc.gov/grants) for additional grant opportunities
  - b. Grants Committee additional review of BRIC and look into opportunities for matching funds (Golden Leaf, foundation or state)
7. Final comments/questions/concerns
  - a. None
8. Next meeting is 10/12/2023 4:30 PM
9. Adjourn