

RESOLUTION NO. R20-71

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A CDBG GRANT APPLICATION AND TO COMMIT THE MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED BY THE CREATING AGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City intends to apply to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development for financial assistance from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to prepare a Capital Improvement Plan for the City's Departments;

WHEREAS, the City's engineering firm is currently assisting the City with the preparation of the grant and all requirements of the program;

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel agrees to comply with all laws, regulations, rules, and requirements described in the CDBG Project Administration Manual;

WHEREAS, the Mayor requests authority to authorize and execute all documents required in order for the City to apply for and accept the grant on the City's behalf.

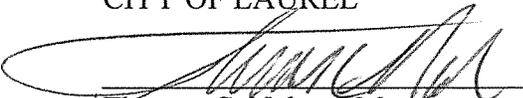
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and KLJ to prepare and submit a CDBG Grant application to the funding agency and further authorizes the Mayor to execute any required documents on the City's behalf in order to apply for and obtain the herein described grant.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on October 13, 2020, by Council Member Wilke.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel this 13th day of October 2020.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 13th day of October 2020.

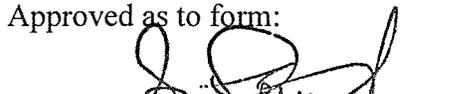
CITY OF LAUREL


Thomas C. Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Bethany Langve, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved as to form:


Sam S. Painter, Civil City Attorney

**EXHIBIT 3-A
CDBG COMMUNITY PLANNING GRANTS
DESIGNATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFYING OFFICIAL**

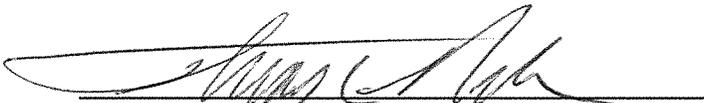
October 13, 2020

Montana Department of Commerce
Community Development Division
301 S. Park
P.O. Box 200523
Helena, MT 59620

To Whom It May Concern

This is to notify you that Kurt Markegard, Public Works Director, is designated as the Environmental Certifying Official responsible for all activities associated with the environmental review process to be completed in conjunction with the 2020-2021 CDBG grant awarded to the City of Laurel, Montana.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Nelson", written over a horizontal line.

Signature

Tom Nelson, Mayor, City of Laurel

Typed Name and Title

October 13, 2020

Montana Department of Commerce
Community Development Division-Planning Bureau
301 S. Park Avenue
PO Box 200523
Helena, MT 59620-0523

RE: City of Laurel CDBG Planning Grant Application- Capital Improvement Plan

To Whom It May Concern;

Please consider this letter formal verification that the City of Laurel has authorized, and has available, previously unobligated match dollars in the amount of \$16,667 to utilize as match for the proposed CDBG Planning Grant request. Match dollars will be accessed utilizing the City's general fund and are available when/if grant funding is awarded.

Should you have any additional questions, or need additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tom Nelson, Mayor of Laurel
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citymayor@laurel.mt.gov

**EXHIBIT 3-B
CDBG COMMUNITY PLANNING GRANTS
FINDING OF EXEMPT ACTIVITIES**

October 13, 2020

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Community Development Division
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Helena, MT 59620-0523

To Whom It May Concern,

It is the finding of the City of Laurel, Montana, that the following activities approved for funding under the Montana CDBG program are defined as exempt activities under 24 Part 58.34, and meet the conditions specified therein for such exemption, of the Environmental Review Process for Title I Community Development Block Grant Programs, and that these activities are in compliance with the environmental requirements of related federal authorities. The activities and the statutory authority for exemption are listed below:

Planning activities to include preparation of a Capital Improvements Plan for the City of Laurel.

Authority -- Section 58.34(a)(1): Environmental and other studies, resource identification and the development of plans and strategies.

Sincerely,

Tom Nelson, Mayor
City of Laurel