

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: August 15, 2018

To: The City Manager

From: Ken Millett, Business Inclusion and Advancement Director

Council Action Requested:

Authorize submission of an application to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration for a FY 2018 YouthBuild Grant in the amount of \$1,100,000.

Strategic Focus Area: Economic Vitality and Diversity

Strategic Objective: N/A

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

The Office of Business Inclusion and Advancement is seeking authorization to apply for a FY2018 YouthBuild U.S. Department of Labor Grant (DOL). DOL has announced the availability of \$85 million in grant funding to continue or expand YouthBuild programs nationwide. Grants awarded in this funding opportunity range from \$700,000 to \$1.1 million each, and the City’s request will be for the maximum amount of \$1.1 million. YouthBuild is a community-based alternative education program that provides classroom instruction and occupational skills training in construction and other in-demand occupations to at-risk youth and young adults ages 16-24. Participants learn valuable skills as they build or rehabilitate housing for low-income or homeless individuals and families in their communities. DOL has expanded the training to include occupational skills training for additional in-demand industries. Staff has identified four proposed tracks focused on high-demand industries in the area, including healthcare, transportation and logistics, advanced manufacturing, and aviation.

The Grant requires a 25% match using sources other than federal funding. Staff is requesting authorization of up to \$275,000 for the match. This match will be pro-rated with Housing Finance funds used only for housing/construction related initiatives and other local sources used for the other in-demand initiatives. In-kind contributions will also be utilized towards the City’s match. The application is due September 18, 2018.

Committee Action:

Committee	Finance 8/13/18 CD/H/GG 8/14/18	Action	Forwarded without Recommendation Approval
For	Unanimous	Against	

Remarks:

