

City of Racine, Wisconsin Agenda BRIEFING MEMORADUM

AGENDA DATE: 7/11/2022

SUBJECT:

Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting approval of resolution supporting accepting a Wisconsin Hazard Mitigation Grant for \$3,362,543.

PREPARED BY: Paul Vornholt, City Administrator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Mayor Mason requests that the Finance and Personnel Committee recommend approval of a resolution supporting grant acceptance for \$3,362,543 from the Wisconsin Emergency Management Division Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (WEM HMGP).

BACKGROUND:

Common Council Resolution 0750-20 approved submitting an application for the Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) Grant Program for a Federal Emergency Management Building Resilient Infrastructures and Communities (BRIC). The grant application was to fund the Racine Community Center Safe Room construction in the Lincoln-King neighborhood.

The FEMA / BRIC program has been renamed the WEM Hazard Mitigation Grant Program administered by WEM with funding from FEMA. WEM resubmitted the City's application under the revised grant program and has been initially accepted by FEMA as a qualified project.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

The total grant amount is \$3,362,543. The grant requires up to 25% local match (\$840,636). Funds available in account #20314 52100 22912.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends the request by Mayor Mason to approve a resolution supporting accepting the grant of \$3,362,543 from the Wisconsin Division of Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Grant program and forwarded to the Common Council with a recommendation for approval.