

City of Racine, Wisconsin AGENDA BRIEFING MEMORADUM

AGENDA DATE: August 8, 2019

SUBJECT:Communication from Alder Meekma requesting an amendment of Res No.0411-17 to authorize up to an additional \$7,800 of CDBG funds to Great Lakes CommunityConservation Corps for rehabilitation of one homeownership unit at 1432 Illinois Street, for a totalCDBG-funded project cost of up to \$127,800.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

A request that the Community Development Committee approve a resolution amending Res. 0411-17.

The request is to authorize up to \$7,800 of additional CDBG funds to Great Lakes Community Conservation Corps (GLCCC) for the creation of a retaining wall at 1432 Illinois Avenue. Res. 0411-17, as approved, authorized a \$50,000 loan and a \$60,000 grant of CDBG funds to GLCCC for rehabilitation of a single family house at 1432 Illinois Street. Res. 0559-18, as approved, authorized an additional \$10,000 in funds for the demolition of 1432 Illinois St. and the rebuilding of a single family unit.

BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS:

On December 5, 2017, \$110,000 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds were authorized by the Common Council via Res. 0411-17_for rehabilitation of a single-family house at 1432 Illinois Street by GLCCC.

On February 21, 2018, an additional \$10,000 in CDBG funds were authorized by the Common Council via Res. 0059-18 for the demolition of 1432 Illinois St.

This request is to authorize up to \$7,800 of additional CDBG funds for the creation of a retaining wall on the north side of the property.

Staff Recommendation

- Based program requirements, staff recommends amending Res. 0411-17 to authorize up to an additional \$7,800 of CDBG funding for the creation of a retaining wall at 1432 Illinois St.
- CDBG funds may be used for all CDBG-eligible reconstruction expenses.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

There are sufficient CDBG funds for the staff recommendation. Program income as defined by HUD will be returned to the City. The total investment of CDBG funds at this property will be \$127,800.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute an amendment to the written agreement with Great Lakes Community Conservation Corps consistent with their application and federal regulation for up to a total of \$127,800 of CDBG funds.