

AURORA WARD 10 RESIDENTIAL GRANT PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The 10th Ward Alderwoman shall receive, review and approve requests for grants for community enhancements and/or improvements in the 10th Ward. The program, without limitations, will be geared around the following:

- Enhancements and/or improvements and/or significant repairs or replacements which affect a community, such as, landscaping, pond maintenance including aerators/diffusers, existing damaged guard rails, neighborhood water drainage issues, safety lighting, or infrastructure projects for community use.
- Demonstrate a benefit for the immediate area and/or community benefit.
- Promote the character, safety, and integrity of the neighborhood and community.

The Alderwoman may also consider other information when approving or denying grant requests such as previous approvals, past history, and future development plans.

Qualifications:

- 1) Applicants must be residents/Homeowner's Association of Aurora's 10th Ward.
- 2) The grant program includes homeowner and condo associations that are organized under Illinois Law and in good standing with the Secretary of State. Grants awarded may not be for the primary or the exclusive benefit of the association or its members. In other words, a homeowner's association would have to demonstrate that the grant has a benefit beyond the association's property (e.g., repairs to a swimming pool or renovation of the interior of a club house.)
- 3) Grants will not be considered for public improvements or enhancements if applicant is also utilizing an existing city program whereby applicants are receiving assistance or compensation from said program. Grants are not meant for commercial use and hence requests for such will not be considered.
- 4) The program will allow for an annual budget amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. No applicant may be awarded more than \$5,000.00. Projects must not fall below the \$1,000.00 minimum threshold.
- 5) Applicants shall be responsible for all applicable permits from the City. Neither the City nor the Alderwoman will be responsible to ensure that the contracted

work is done to the applicant's satisfaction.

- 6) The Alderwoman will confirm with the City staff, via Alderwomen's Office, to ensure there are no violations or liens against the property or entity where the enhancements/improvements are to be completed.
- 7) The applicant shall submit at least 3 bids for the project unless not feasible. All bids shall be obtained from contractors that pay prevailing wage*.
- 8) Selected contractor must pay prevailing wage* consistent with Illinois law. 820 ILCS 130 et. seq. Applicant is solely responsible for paying contractor in full.

Upon notification of the grant approval, the applicant will proceed with the project. The Alderwoman will verify that the work has been completed and forward the appropriate documentation to the City. The applicant shall submit the appropriate invoice(s) to the 10th Ward Alderwoman for reimbursement.

Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, and funds will be distributed based on availability of annual budgeted funds at the discretion of the 10th Ward Alderwoman. Any application(s) received after the funds are depleted, will be placed on a waiting list. Every four years, after City Council approval of the program, the waiting list will be refreshed and the program will be re-determined. The grant period is based on calendar year and funds will not be carried over from year to year.

Payment(s) will be made to the applicant who is solely responsible for payment to the contractor(s).

Submitting false information on the grant application or failing to comply with the grant application requirements may result in denial of reimbursement.

For more information about prevailing wage see:

<https://www2.illinois.gov/idol/Laws-Rules/CONMED/Pages/Rates.aspx>

CITY OF AURORA, WARD 10 RESIDENTIAL GRANT APPLICATION

Date of Application: _____ Amount Applied for: _____

Residents' Name(s): _____

Homeowner's Assoc.: _____

Address (es) _____

Contact Name _____ Phone Number _____

Social Security Number: _____ FEIN Number _____

Signature for SS# or Fed ID #: _____

Description of work to be done (attach separate sheet if necessary, include before pictures): _____

Did you get 3 bids Yes _____ No _____ Low Bid \$ _____

Contractor Selected to do work: _____

The following required documents are attached to my application:

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| • Evidence of Competitive Pricing | _____ Yes | _____ No |
| • Evidence of <i>Prevailing Wage</i> *** | _____ Yes | _____ No |
| • Applicable Permits (Issued/Applied) | _____ Yes | _____ No |
| • Lien Waiver (Material/Labor) | _____ Yes | _____ No |

Time Frame of work to be done _____

***Quotes **must** be obtained from contractors that pay prevailing wage. For more information see:

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I hereby swear that the information contained in this application is true and correct. I understand that it is **MY** responsibility to pay the Contractor in full. I also understand that failure to strictly comply with the grant requirements or providing false information on this application may result in being denied reimbursement.

Name of Applicant

Signature of Applicant

***Failure to complete and comply with requested application requirements above,
may result in non-reimbursement***

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Review Date _____ Work Completed _____
(Date)

3 Bids Obtained Yes _____ No _____

Signature of Committee Member _____ Approved for payment on _____

Checklist Completed Yes _____ No _____ Date _____

Committee Recommended Approval Yes _____ No _____

Ward Alderwoman Signature _____ Date _____

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