



VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 22, 2021
AGENDA ITEM SECTION: PRESENTATIONS
AGENDA ITEM NO. : 2
AGENDA ITEM: PRESENTATION BY MS. VALERIE MONASTRA/NELSON POPE VOORHIS/VILLAGE PLANNER ABOUT NEW YORK STATE CONSOLIDATED FUNDING APPLICATION OPPORTUNITIES
ITEM BACKUP DOCUMENTATION: 1. MEMORANDUM DATED JUNE 16, 2021 FROM VALERIE MONASTRA, AICP/VILLAGE'S CONSULTING PLANNER TO MAYOR ROSSILLO AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Rossillo and Members of the Village Board of Trustees

FROM: Valerie Monastra, AICP

SUBJECT: Consolidated Funding Applications

DATE: June 16, 2021

CC: Richard Leins, Esq. Village Administrator
Lori Lee Dickson, Esq. Village Attorney

The Round 11 competitive New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) grants are now available and must be submitted on July 30, 2021.

In consultation with the Interim Village Administrator as well as the review of the Village of Dobbs Ferry's Executive Summary 2021-2022 Departmental Capital Requests, three projects have been identified for the Village Board's consideration for the 2021 CFA grants: Comprehensive plan, High Street Park restoration, and the Gould Park basketball courts and lights. The projects and grant programs are summarized below.

I will be at the June 22, 2021, Village Board meeting to discuss these projects, the grant programs, and the potential matches that would be required from the Village.

Comprehensive Plan

The Department of State is soliciting applications through the CFA under the Environmental Protection Fund Smart Growth Program to advance the preparation of municipal comprehensive plans to establish land use policies which support smart growth and clean energy principles for the community.

State assistance awarded and paid to a grant recipient under the Environmental Protection Fund Smart Growth Program cannot exceed 90% of the total project cost. The maximum State assistance request per grant application is \$100,000. The State looks favorably upon communities willing to provide cash matches.

The Village solicited proposals for a Comprehensive Plan in March 2020 but put the project on hold due to the pandemic. The budgets submitted as part of the responses to the request for proposal varied between \$130,000 - \$200,000. The scope of work included the development of a comprehensive plan, a parking utilization study, zoning amendments, and the required SEQR documentation.

High Street Park Restoration, and the Gould Park Basketball Courts and Lights

The Department of State is also soliciting applications through the CFA under the Environmental Protection Fund Grants Program for Parks, Preservation and Heritage (EPF) program. These grants provide funding for the acquisition, planning, development, and improvement of parks, historic properties, and heritage areas located within the physical boundaries of the State of New York.

State assistance awarded and paid to a grant recipient under the EPF program can fund up to 50% of the total project cost. Grant awards are capped at \$500,000 and if the total project cost is greater than \$4,000,000, up to \$750,000 may be requested.

The High Street Park restoration project, which will include the restoration of the stairway, creation of walkways, lighting, and the development of a sitting area with park furniture, is estimated to cost between \$75,000-\$130,000.

The Gould Park basketball court and lights project, which will include the installation of a basketball court and lights, is estimated to cost \$125,000.