

Planning Commission

EPA Brownfields Grant Update

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Title

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Recommended Action

Information only. No action requested.

Report

Issue:

Discussion on the EPA Brownfields Phase 1 strategy and potential scope of work

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Background and Analysis:

On June 5, 2019, the City of Olympia was notified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that it had been selected to negotiate the terms of a Brownfield Assessment Grant. On September 30, 2019, the City of Olympia was notified that the submitted cooperative agreement had been accepted by the EPA, and the City would be awarded with the requested \$600,000 grant.

This agreement will provide funding for the City of Olympia to inventory, characterize, assess, conduct cleanup planning, and initiate community involvement related activities for brownfield sites in Olympia, Washington. The City in partnership with the Port of Olympia and the Olympia Metropolitan Parks District will primarily focus on properties on the Port Peninsula and West Bay Brownfields where the expansion, development or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Part of the grant process includes community outreach and holding a community meeting in which interested parties can learn more about how to identify and nominate sites in Olympia for environmental assessment. This meeting will be held on February 24th at 5:30 PM in Room 100 at the Olympia Center.

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Financial Impact:

The City has been awarded \$600,000 for this grant

Attachments:

Interlocal Agreement between City of Olympia, Port of Olympia and Metropolitan Parks District