



Legislation Text

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GCRA Business Improvement Grant Program Historic Masonic Lodge, LLC Application (B)

This item is the City Commission requested continuation of Legistar #210117 from July 19, 2021. The presentation has been updated to address City Commission concerns.

The Business Improvement Grant Program was approved by the City Commission on November 5, 2020 (Legistar #200275). Per the program guidelines any application of over \$100,000 must be approved by the City Commission.

Historic Masonic Gainesville, LLC is located at 215 North Main Street, Gainesville, Florida 32601. The building is listed on the National Register of Historic places by the National Parks Service as of May 29, 1998. The Historic Masonic Gainesville, LLC's application was reviewed by GCRA Staff and the application was complete as of June 9, 2021. They are applying under the program for Tier 4 funding of up to \$150,000 of matching funds as the following condition is met: building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places or listed on the City of Gainesville's Historic Local Register Listing.

The Historic Masonic Gainesville, LLC will be contracting with ten contractors to perform the work on this property. Per the program guidelines, applicants are required to obtain two competitive quotes for each type of work to be performed. The applicant met or exceeded this requirement.

Strategic Connection

Goal 3: A Great Place to Live & Experience and Goal 4: Resilient Local Economy

Business Improvement Grant program has an FY 2021 remaining balance of \$187,793.91 in the GCRA (Fund 620 Unit W023) after taking into account in-process approved agreements. The maximum to be reimbursed under this grant would be \$122,679.42 leaving \$65,114.49 in funds remaining in this account through September 30, 2021.

Approve the Historic Masonic Gainesville LLC's Business Improvement Grant application as described.