

Staff Report to the North Ogden City Council

SYNOPSIS / APPLICATION INFORMATION

Grant Request: Consideration and action regarding the submittal of a Local Planning

Resource Grant to develop a form based code upon completion of the

General Plan Update

Agenda Date: December 2, 2014

STAFF INFORMATION

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BACKGROUND

The Wasatch Front Regional Council has opened a second round of Local Planning Resource Grants; form based code development is an eligible activity. North Ogden City has submitted a letter of intent which was accepted. The next step is to submit a formal application that is due January 15, 2015.

The General Plan Update project is going to give directions regarding North Ogden's future. In order to implement the amended General Plan the next step will be to amend and update city zoning ordinances, e.g., to write a form based code.

Staff has researched the cost of developing a form based code. It is recommended the city hire a consultant to develop the code with an approximate cost of \$55,000.

A match is required for this application; a minimum of 10% is required and a minimum of 25% is suggested. In a previous application the City committed a 50% match or \$27,500.

SUMMARY OF CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATIONS

- Does the City Council want to pursue a Local Planning Resource Program grant to write a form based code?
- What percentage of match does the City Council want to include in the grant proposal?

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends submitting a final Local Resource Planning Grant application to develop a form based code and to include a percentage match that the City Council is comfortable.