



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

TO: Mayor & City Council

DATE: November 13, 2014

FROM: John McDonough, City Manager

AGENDA ITEM: Acceptance of Charge Georgia Rebate Award from the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority

MEETING DATE: For Submission onto the November 18, 2014, City Council Regular Meeting Agenda

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: (Attach additional pages if necessary)

See attached:

Memorandum
Resolution

CITY MANAGER APPROVAL: _____

PLACED ON AGENDA FOR: **11/18/2014**

CITY ATTORNEY APPROVAL REQUIRED: () YES () NO

CITY ATTORNEY APPROVAL: _____



TO: John McDonough, City Manager
FROM: Bryant Poole, Assistant City Manager
DATE: October 29, 2014 for submission on the Agenda of the November 18, 2014 City Council Meeting
ITEM: Acceptance of Charge Georgia Rebate Award from the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority

Background

On October 7, 2014, the City submitted an application to the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority's Charge Georgia rebate program. The GEFA Charge Georgia program provides funding to Georgia colleges, universities and technical colleges; state agencies and authorities; and cities and counties to install alternating current (AC) Level II and quick charging (DCQC) electric vehicle (EV) charging stations.

Program participants must agree to keep the charging station operational to charge vehicles for a minimum of three years after installation, as well as provide semi-annual data over the course of three years to GEFA. Participating charging stations must be accessible to the public for a minimum of 12 hours per day, five days per week. Parking spaces associated with the charging stations must be dedicated for battery-electric vehicles, plug-in hybrid or extended-range vehicles only. Awarded rebates will reimburse 50 percent of actual or proposed costs, whichever is lower, to support installing Level II and DCQC charging equipment, including required planning, design, permitting, equipment, delivery, installation, inspection and signage.

The City requested funding to support the purchase and installment of two (2) dual charge pedestal Level II electric vehicle charging stations at Hammond Park. The application also included a request for funds for necessary striping and signage. The anticipated project cost is \$12,680.00.

Discussion

On October 10, 2014, the City received official notice from the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority that our application had been approved in the amount of \$6,340.00, per Ms. Andrea Schroer, GEFA State Energy Program Manager. The Rebate terms requires that the City provide a cash match of \$6,340.00, which is 50% of the anticipated project cost.

The installation of the electric vehicle charging stations will support current green initiatives facilitated by the City.

Alternatives

Council could choose not to accept the award.

Recommendation

Staff recommends acceptance of the award and amendment of the City's FY15 budget.

Attachment

1. Resolution Authorizing Amendment of FY15 Budget
2. Approval Notification from GEFA

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF A REBATE FROM THE GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE AUTHORITY FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING EQUIPMENT AT HAMMOND PARK FOR THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS, FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA.

WHEREAS, the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (“Authority”) has agreed to issue a rebate (“Rebate”) to the City of Sandy Springs (“City”) for financial assistance to purchase and install electric vehicle charging equipment and supplies at Hammond Park (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rebate conditions the City agrees to accept funds from the Authority in the amount of \$6,340, and the City agrees to provide matching funds in the amount of \$6,340, for a total Project cost of \$12,680, in accordance with the specified Rebate program requirements;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Rebate conditions the City agrees to designate sufficient funds to assure the acquisition and/or development, operation and maintenance of the Project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Sandy Springs while in regular session on November 4, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. as follows:

1. The City Manager is hereby authorized and empowered to accept the Rebate from the Authority; and
2. The City Manager and appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary to effectuate the purpose and intent of this resolution.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of November, 2014.

Approved:

Russell K. Paul, Mayor

Attest:

Michael Casey, City Clerk

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