Interoffice Memorandum

AGENDA ITEM



January 21, 2020

TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings

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Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: February 11, 2020 – Consent Item

February 2020 Sustainable Communities Grant

The Orange County Sustainability Plan provides a framework for working towards sustainability, as well as goals and strategies that will serve to integrate sustainability into our culture, decision-making, and governance.

The Neighborhood Services Division administers the Sustainable Communities Grant which provides funds for neighborhood organizations to help reduce pollution and their carbon footprint. The grant is available countywide in amounts ranging between \$500 and \$5,000. Applications are accepted year-round and are reviewed monthly by the Neighborhood Grants Advisory Board (NGAB). The Environmental Protection Division (EPD) helped to develop the grant's criteria and assists applicants in developing projects that reduce pollution and their carbon footprint. Organizations are required to provide a letter of support from EPD, which has been provided for these projects. Finally, the organization is required to sign a letter of agreement recognizing the responsibilities throughout the grant process, document the appropriate match, and demonstrate an ability to maintain the project.

The NGAB is recommending approval of the February 2020 Sustainable Communities Grant to Village Green Estates (\$1,500) (see Attachment A). The grant request is displayed in greater detail in Attachment B.

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ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of the Neighborhood Grants Advisory Board's recommendation February of 2020 Sustainable Communities Grant to Village Green Estates (\$1,500) and authorization for the Director of Planning, Environmental, and Development Services to execute the associated grant agreement. District 6.

JVW/JR/kdj Attachments February 2020 Sustainable Communities Grant Orange County Board of County Commissioners February 11, 2020

ATTACHMENT A

District	Organization	Type of Organization	Description of the Project	Requested Amount	NGAB Recommendation	EPD Review
6	Village Green Estates	Voluntary	Solar Lighting	\$1,500	Yes	Yes
			Total Request	\$1,500		

Sustainable Communities Grant Neighborhood Type: Voluntary

District: 6

Jurisdiction: Orange County

Profile

Organization Name: Village Green Estates

Request: The community would like to install solar lighting at their

entranceway

Requested Amount: \$1,500 Matching Amount: \$0 Total Project Cost: \$1,500

Village Green Estates

