



City of  
**VALLEY FALLS**

*Incorporated May 17, 1869*

## Special City Council Meeting Agenda

August 15, 2023 6:30 PM  
Special Meeting

CALL TO ORDER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
ROLL CALL - City Council and Staff

PUBLIC COMMENTS & GUESTS: *Public Comment Policy* ◇

PUBLIC HEARING: CDBG COVID Resiliency

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

1. CDBG Application and Related Document for COVID Resiliency
2. Grant Administration Contract with Western Consultants

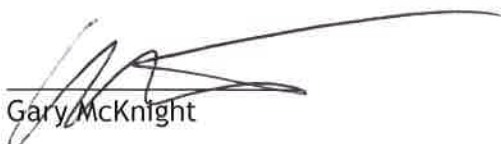
**ADJOURNMENT**

The City Council has requested to hold a Special City Council Meeting on August 15, 2023 at 6:30 PM for the above agenda.

  
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Salih Doughramaji

  
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Judy Rider

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Matt Frakes

  
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Gary McKnight

  
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Jennifer Ingraham

  
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Jeanette Shipley

Public Hearing Notice  
CDBG CVR APPLICATION

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**VALLEY FALLS, KS**

**2023 CDBG PUBLIC HEARING**

**CVR APPLICATION**

**08/15/23 @ 6:30 PM**

**COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS**

**1) OPEN CDBG PUBLIC HEARING**

**READ PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**

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**ALLOW COMMENTS**

**CLOSE CDBG PUBLIC HEARING**

**2) APPROVE AND EXECUTE CDBG APPLICATION DOCUMENTS**

- 1) Entertain a motion authorizing the mayor to execute the Statement of Assurances and Certifications (4 pages)
- 2) Entertain a motion to adopt a Resolution Certifying Legal Authority to Apply for the 2023 Kansas Small Cities CDBG Program from the KS Dept. of Commerce and authorizing the mayor to sign and submit such an application (1 page – NEEDS A RESOLUTION #)
- 3) Entertain a motion authorizing the mayor to execute the Residential Anti-displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan (1 page)
- 4) Entertain a motion authorizing the mayor to execute the Environmental Determination of Level of Review (1 page)
- 5) Entertain a motion authorizing the mayor to execute the HUD Applicant/Recipient Disclosure Report (1 page)



- 6) Entertain a motion authorizing the mayor to execute the contract with Western Consultants dba GAS for CDBG grant writing for \$3,750

**NEXT STEPS**

GAS will work with local businesses/chamber to determine eligibility

8/30/23 CDBG Application deadline

October award announcement

City will designate a committee to review applications and determine awards

## **STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS**

The applicant hereby assures and certifies with respect to the grant that:

- (1) It possesses legal authority to make a grant submission and to execute a community development and housing program.
- (2) Its governing body has duly adopted or passed as an official act a resolution, motion, or similar action authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the grantee to submit the final statement, all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directing and authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the grantee to act in connection with the submission of the final statement and to provide such additional information as may be required.
- (3) Prior to submission of its application to Commerce, the grantee has met the citizen participation requirements, prepared its application of community development objectives and projected use of funds, and made the application available to the public, as required by Section 104(a)(2) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and implemented at 24 CFR 570.486.
- (4) It has developed its final statement (application) of projected use of funds so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; the final statement (application) of projected use of funds may also include activities that the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available.
- (5) Its chief executive officer or other officer of the grantee approved by Commerce:
  - (a) Consents to assume the status of a responsible federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other provisions of federal law as specified in 24 CFR 58.1(a);
  - (b) Is authorized and consents on behalf of the grantee and himself/herself to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts for the purpose of enforcement of his/her responsibilities as such an official; and
- (6) The grant will be conducted and administered in compliance with the following federal and state regulations (see Appendix A: Applicable Laws and Regulations):

- (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Pub. L. 88-352), and implementing regulations issued at 24 CFR Part 1;
- (b) Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, as amended, administering all programs and activities relating to housing and community development in a manner to affirmatively further fair housing; and will take action to affirmatively further fair housing in the sale or rental of housing, the financing of housing, and the provision of brokerage services;
- (c) Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; and the regulations issued pursuant thereto (24 CFR Section 570.602);
- (d) Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended; and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135;
- (e) Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Orders 11375 and 12086 and implementing regulations issued at 41 CFR Chapter 60;
- (f) Executive Order 11063, as amended by Executive Order 12259 and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 107;
- (g) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Pub. L. 93-112), as amended and implementing regulations when published for effect;
- (h) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (Pub. L. 94-135), and implementing regulations when published for effect;
- (i) The relocation requirements of Title II and the acquisition requirements of Title III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR 570.488;
- (j) Anti-displacement and relocation plan requirements of Section 104(d) of Title I, Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended;
- (k) Relocation payment requirements of Section 105(a)(11) of Title I, Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.
- (l) The labor standards requirements as set forth in 24 CFR 570.603 and HUD regulations issued to implement such requirements;
- (m) Executive Order 11988 relating to the evaluation of flood hazards and Executive Order 11288 relating to the prevention, control, and abatement of water pollution;

- (n) The regulations, policies, guidelines and requirements of 2 CFR Part 200 and A-122 as they relate to the acceptance and use of federal funds under this federally assisted program;
  - (o) The American Disabilities Act (ADA) (P.L. 101-336: 42 U.S.C. 12101) provides disabled people access to employment, public accommodations, public services, transportation, and telecommunications;
- (7) The conflict of interest provisions of 24 CFR 570.489 apply to any person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official of the state, or of a unit of general local government, or of any designated public agencies, or sub recipients which are receiving CDBG funds. None of these persons may obtain a financial interest or benefit from the activity, or have an interest or benefit from the activity, or have an interest in any contract, subcontract, or agreement with respect thereto, or the proceeds thereunder, either for themselves or those with whom they have family or business ties, during their tenure or for one year thereafter, and that it shall incorporate or cause to be incorporated, in all such contracts or subcontracts a provision prohibiting such interest pursuant to the purpose of this certification;
  - (8) It will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act that limits the political activity of employee;
  - (9) It will comply with the provisions of 24-CFR-200.
  - (10) It will give the state, HUD, and the Comptroller General or any authorized representative access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the grant;
  - (11) It will comply with the lead-based paint requirements of 24 CFR Part 35 Subpart B issued pursuant to the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Elimination Act (42 U.S.C. 4801 et seq.).
  - (12) The local government will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted in whole or in part with CDBG funds by assessing properties owned and occupied by low- and moderate-income persons unless: (a) CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of such assessment that relates to non CDBG funding or; (b) the local government certifies to the state that, for the purposes of assessing properties owned and occupied by low- and moderate-income persons who are not very low-income, that the local government does not have sufficient CDBG funds to comply with the provision of (a) above.
  - (13) It accepts the terms, conditions, selection criteria, and procedures established by this program description and that it waives any right it may have to challenge the legitimacy and the propriety of these terms, conditions, criteria, and procedures in the event that its application is not selected for CDBG funding.

- (14) It will comply with the regulations, policies, guidelines, and requirements with respect to the acceptance and use of federal funds for this federally assisted program.
- (15) It will comply with all parts of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, which have not been cited previously as well as with other applicable laws.

The applicant hereby certifies that it will comply with the above stated assurances.

Signature, Chief Elected Official	Name (typed or printed)
Title	Date

To Whom It May Concern:

As Chief Elected Official of the City/County of \_\_\_\_\_, I hereby certify that I have knowledge of all activities in the above-referenced application. I also certify that I am aware that the regulations of the CDBG program prevent the use of any facility built or rehabilitated with CDBG funds, or any portion thereof, to be used for the conduct of official business. I therefore certify that no portion of the above application violates this regulation.

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Mayor/County Commission

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/County Clerk



THE CITY/COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_, KANSAS

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING LEGAL AUTHORITY  
TO APPLY FOR THE 2023 KANSAS  
SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM  
FROM THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR/COMMISSIONER  
TO SIGN AND SUBMIT SUCH AN APPLICATION

WHEREAS, The City/County of \_\_\_\_\_, Kansas, is a legal governmental entity as provided by the laws of the STATE OF KANSAS, and

WHEREAS, The City/County of \_\_\_\_\_, Kansas, intends to submit an application for assistance from the COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.

THE APPLICANT hereby certifies that the City/County of \_\_\_\_\_, Kansas, is a legal governmental entity under the status of the laws of the STATE OF KANSAS and thereby has the authority to apply for assistance from the KANSAS SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.

THE APPLICANT hereby authorizes the MAYOR/COMMISSIONER of \_\_\_\_\_, Kansas, to act as the applicant's official representative in signing and submitting an application for the assistance to the COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.

THE APPLICANT hereby dedicates \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in cash funds toward this project and \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in force account labor for same.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY/COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
KANSAS, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR/COMMISSIONER

ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_

(SEAL)

THE CITY/COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_, KANSAS

**(Minimum required by all applicants for funding – must be submitted with application)**

**Residential Anti-displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan  
under Section 104(d) of the  
Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as Amended**

The jurisdiction will replace all occupied and vacant occupiable low- and moderate-income dwelling units demolished or converted to a use other than as low- moderate-income housing as a direct result of activities assisted with funds provided under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, as described in 24 CFR Part 570.488.

All replacement housing will be provided within three years of the commencement of the demolition or rehabilitation relating to conversion. Before obligating or expending funds that will directly result in such demolition or conversion, the [jurisdiction] will make public and submit to the Kansas Department of Commerce the following information in writing:

1. A description of the proposed assisted activity;
2. The general location on a map and approximate number of dwelling units by size (number of bedrooms) that will be demolished or converted to a use other than as low- and moderate-income dwelling units as a direct result of the assisted activity;
3. A time schedule for the commencement and completion of the demolition or conversion;
4. The general location on a map and approximate number of dwelling units by size (number of bedrooms) that will be provided as Section 104(d) replacement dwelling units;
5. The source of funding and a time schedule for the provision of Section 104(d) replacement dwelling units; and
6. The basis for concluding that each Section 104 (d) replacement dwelling unit will remain a low- and moderate-income dwelling unit for at least ten years from the date of initial occupancy.

The jurisdiction will provide relocation assistance, as described in Section 570.488 to each low- and moderate-income household displaced by the demolition of housing or by the conversion of a low- and moderate-income dwelling to another use as a direct result of assisted activities.

Consistent with the goals and objectives of activities assisted under the act, the jurisdiction will take the following steps to minimize the displacement of persons from their homes:

Based on initial review of project, the following occupied dwellings (by address) will be demolished with grant funds (should contain proposed demolitions):

As chief official of the jurisdiction, I hereby certify that the above plan was officially adopted by the jurisdiction of \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature – Chief Elected Official: \_\_\_\_\_

**DETERMINATION OF LEVEL OF REVIEW**

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW RECORD (ERR)

Grantee Name & Project Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Description:

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The subject project has been reviewed pursuant to HUD regulations 24 CFR Part 58, “Environmental Review Procedures for Entities Assuming HUD Environmental Responsibilities,” and the following determination with respect to the project is made:

- Exempt from NEPA review requirements per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(\_\_\_\_)
- Categorical Exclusion NOT Subject to §58.5 authorities per 24 CFR 58.35(b)(\_\_\_\_)
- Categorical Exclusion SUBJECT to §58.5 authorities per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(\_\_\_\_)
- An Environmental Assessment (EA) is required to be performed.
- An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required to be performed.

The ERR (see §58.38) must contain all the environmental review documents, public notices and written determinations or environmental findings required by Part 58 as evidence of review, decision making and actions pertaining to a particular project. Include additional information including checklists, studies, analyses and documentation as appropriate.

_____ Chief Elected Official (print name/title)	_____ Chief Elected Official’s Signature
_____ Date	

# Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/Update Report

U.S. Department of Housing  
and Urban Development

OMB Approval No. 2510-0011 (exp. 11/30/2018)

**Instructions.** (See Public Reporting Statement and Privacy Act Statement and detailed instructions on page 2.)

## Applicant/Recipient Information

Indicate whether this is an Initial Report  or an Update Report

1. Applicant/Recipient Name, Address, and Phone (include area code):	2. Social Security Number or Employer ID Number:
3. HUD Program Name	4. Amount of HUD Assistance Requested/Received
5. State the name and location (street address, City and State) of the project or activity:	

## Part I Threshold Determinations

<p>1. Are you applying for assistance for a specific project or activity? These terms do not include formula grants, such as public housing operating subsidy or CDBG block grants. (For further information see 24 CFR Sec. 4.3).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>2. Have you received or do you expect to receive assistance within the jurisdiction of the Department (HUD), involving the project or activity in this application, in excess of \$200,000 during this fiscal year (Oct. 1 - Sep. 30)? For further information, see 24 CFR Sec. 4.9</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No.</p>
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If you answered “No” to either question 1 or 2, **Stop!** You do not need to complete the remainder of this form. **However**, you must sign the certification at the end of the report.

## Part II Other Government Assistance Provided or Requested / Expected Sources and Use of Funds.

Such assistance includes, but is not limited to, any grant, loan, subsidy, guarantee, insurance, payment, credit, or tax benefit.

Department/State/Local Agency Name and Address	Type of Assistance	Amount Requested/Provided	Expected Uses of the Funds

(Note: Use Additional pages if necessary.)

## Part III Interested Parties. You must disclose:

1. All developers, contractors, or consultants involved in the application for the assistance or in the planning, development, or implementation of the project or activity and
2. any other person who has a financial interest in the project or activity for which the assistance is sought that exceeds \$50,000 or 10 percent of the assistance (whichever is lower).

Alphabetical list of all persons with a reportable financial interest in the project or activity (For individuals, give the last name first)	Social Security No. or Employee ID No.	Type of Participation in Project/Activity	Financial Interest in Project/Activity (\$ and %)

(Note: Use Additional pages if necessary.)

## Certification

**Warning:** If you knowingly make a false statement on this form, you may be subject to civil or criminal penalties under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code. In addition, any person who knowingly and materially violates any required disclosures of information, including intentional non-disclosure, is subject to civil money penalty not to exceed \$10,000 for each violation.

I certify that this information is true and complete.

Signature:  X	Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)
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CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, IS MADE AND ENTERED INTO THIS 15th DAY OF AUGUST 2023, BETWEEN THE CITY OF VALLEY FALLS, KANSAS, AND WESTERN CONSULTANTS DBA GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES, PO BOX 187, LAWRENCE, KANSAS 66044.

WHEREAS, THE CITY OF VALLEY FALLS, KANSAS HEREBY RETAINS WESTERN CONSULTANTS DBA GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES FOR THE PREPARATION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT - CVR THROUGH THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

WHEREAS, THE PURPOSE OF THIS CONTRACT IS TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF VALLEY FALLS, KANSAS WITH A CDBG-CVR APPLICATION.

THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. WESTERN CONSULTANTS DBA GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES agrees to perform the following services, to-wit:

A. Submit Grant Application in accordance within the rules and regulations set forth by each State and Federal agency involved;

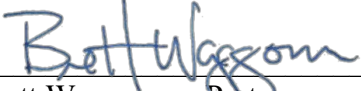
B. THE CITY OF VALLEY FALLS, KANSAS will be responsible for payment of public hearing costs.

2. In exchange for performance of above said services, related to the preparation and submission of said Grant Application, THE CITY OF VALLEY FALLS, KANSAS shall authorize payment, as an allowable cost, to WESTERN CONSULTANTS DBA GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES, to-wit:

A. Payment of \$3,750.00 due upon signing of this contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed their names the day, month and year mentioned above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeanette Shipley  
Mayor  
City of Valley Falls, KS

  
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Brett Waggoner - Partner  
Western Consultants  
DBA  
Governmental Assistance Services