Livable Communities Act
Livable Communities Demonstration Account

2021 Round One LCDA Pre-Development Funding Recommendation

June 7, 2021

Community Development Committee



Livable Communities Demonstration Account Purpose

LCA grants help communities achieve development goals that create more housing choice, support living wage job creation, and connect jobs, housing, and regional amenities in an efficient and effective way.



2021 Funding Availability

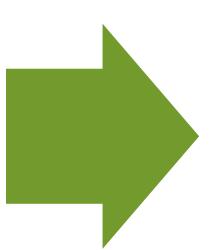
As part of the Fund Distribution Plan, the Council approved:

 Up to \$1,000,000 for LCDA Pre-Development grants to be awarded in two application rounds with \$500,000 available in each funding opportunity



Review Process

April 21, 2021: the Council received five LCDA Pre-Development applications



Applications undergo an evaluation by a staff team from the Community

Development division



2021 Round One Funding Recommendation

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- 2. Authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.



2021 Spring Funding Recommendation

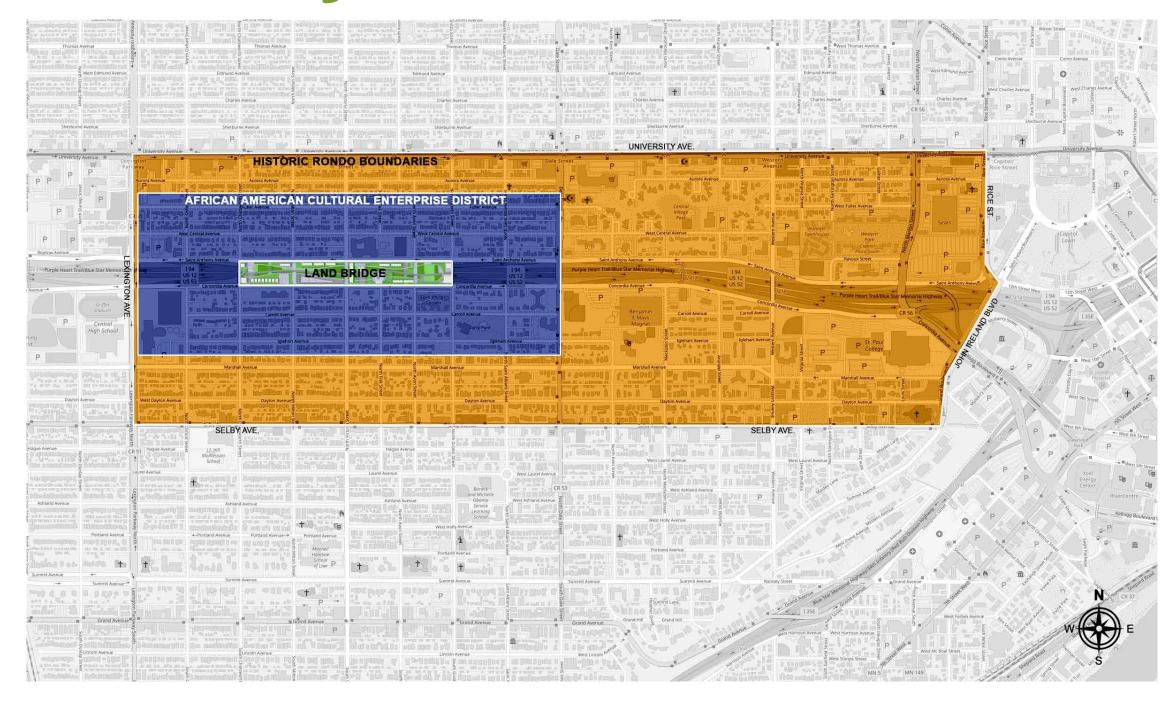
Project	Applicant	Score (45 points possible)	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Rondo Restorative Development Overlay District	City of Saint Paul	44	\$150,000	\$150,000
Innovation Hub	Brooklyn Park EDA	36.4	\$50,000	\$50,000
Chicago-Lake Rebuild	City of Minneapolis	31.65	\$75,000	\$75,000
2021 LCDA Pre- Development - Round One	City of South Saint Paul	28	\$45,000	\$0
The Phoenix	City of Minneapolis	25.5	\$75,000	\$0
			Total Allocated	\$500,000
			Total Requested	\$275,000
			Total Recommended	\$275,000
			Total Remaining	\$225,000

Recommended Award:

\$150,000

Rondo Restorative Development

Overlay District



- Build community wealth and mitigate displacement as part of the Rondo Land Bridge development
- Fund anti-displacement measures and a community reinvestment fund
- Create Rondo community investment trust



LCDA Pre-Development

Brooklyn Park

Innovation Hub



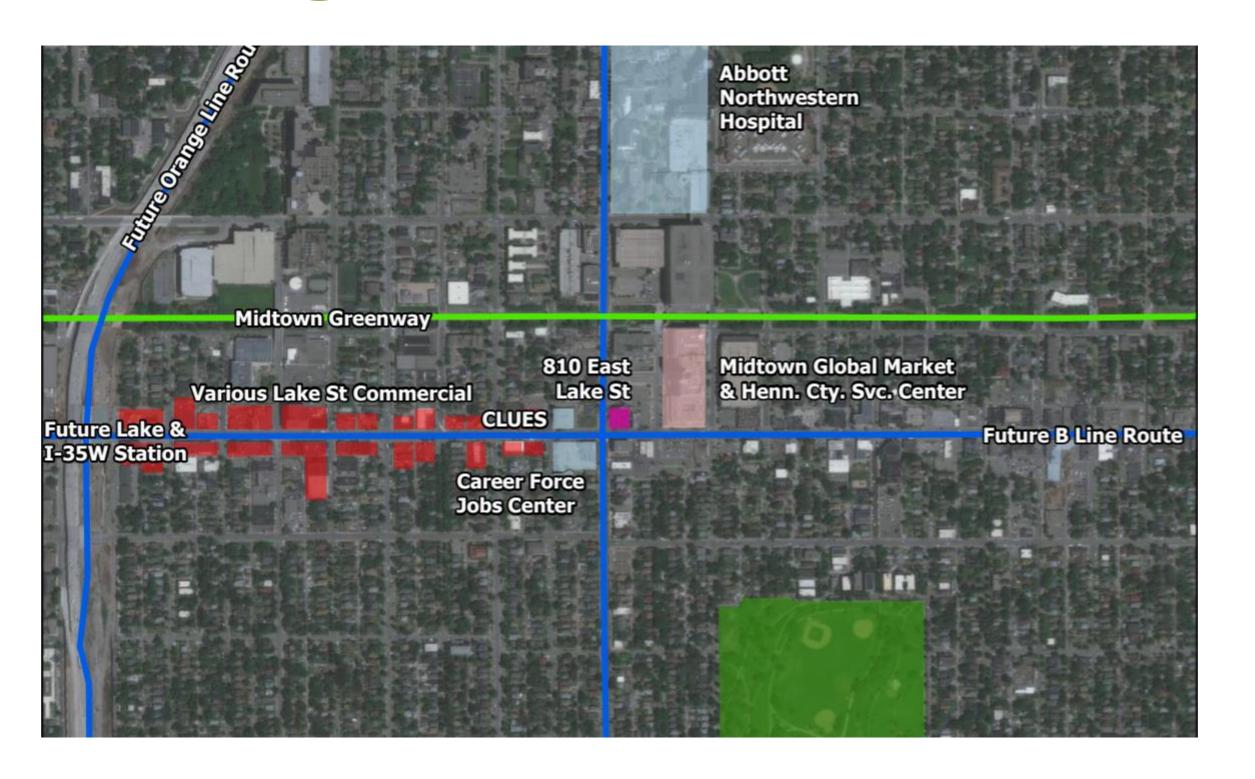
Recommended Award:

\$50,000

- Mixed-use project with indoor aquaponics space to raise fresh food
- Environmental sustainability embedded into building design
- Business center and incubation space



Chicago-Lake Rebuild



Recommended Award: \$75,000

- Mixed-use project that includes affordable housing
- Business incubation space for a restaurant
- Space for NDC programming like technical assistance and job training



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