**2024 Private Inflow and Infiltration Grant Program**

**November 9th Information Session**

**Questions and Answers**

1. **Please check into the tax implications for the receipt of monies for the repair.**

Fund that transfer from the Council to a municipality are non-taxable as both entities are tax-exempt. We recommend that you pay the business owner that is completing the work on a resident’s property. For example, if you pay Benjamin Franklin Plumbing, they will need to account for funds received as revenue and would be required to pay taxes on those dollars. In that instance, no form would be required from the municipality. If you do choose to send residents a check, then you will want to check with your city’s accountant and legal team, to ensure that all tax requirements are met.

1. **Can we have an equity reimbursement with levels at $6,000, $7,000, and $8,000, etc.?**

Yes, the equity reimbursement and proportions are up to your community. The only guideline is that equity reimbursements are capped at $10,000 per property/recipient.

1. **Why isn’t equity or flow considered when dividing out the $750,000?**

At this point in time, we want to leave equity decisions up to the community. We realize that Inflow and Infiltration needs are much higher than the $1.5 million dollars we have to allocate, so we prefer to leave equity decisions up to the community. In addition, equity criteria may change in the future as this is only a pilot program.

1. **Can we have the presentation earlier than 1-2 weeks?**

We will work to get it posted as soon as possible. We need to make sure the presentation is ADA compliant. If you want to email me, I can try to keep you posted and get you the ADA compliant presentation as soon as possible.

1. **If we have an equity component does that mean the homeowner needs to pay 50% of the costs?**

That part is up to your municipality. If you want to pay 100% of the costs for an equity eligible recipient, then you can do that.

1. **Do you have a copy of the grant agreement to share now?**

We have a copy of the grant agreement on our council website: [Private Property Inflow and Infiltration Grant Program - Metropolitan Council (metrocouncil.org)](https://metrocouncil.org/Wastewater-Water/Funding-Finance/Available-Funding-Grants/Private-Property-Inflow-and-Infiltration-Grants.aspx)

1. **Is there going to be a list of eligible activities for this grant program?**

The list is on our website and includes repair and replacement of the lateral, and foundation drain repair if It’s connected to the sanitary system. Cleaning and televising are also covered if it leads to repair.

1. **Do we need to provide proof of service I/I?**

There is no requirement to submit proof of an active I/I situation. With that said, you will need to provide receipts for completed work when you request reimbursement.

1. **Does this apply to individuals who are selling their home, or just residents who are proactively working on I/I (and not selling their home)?**

This applies for all residents who are working to repair I/I on their property.