**2024 LCDA Development Application Questions**

This document is provided to help facilitate team collaboration. **Your final application should be submitted in WebGrants**. If you have any questions about accessing WebGrants, contact Hannah Gary at Hannah.gary@metc.state.mn.us. There are additional quantitative and yes/no questions in the application that are not included in this document.

**Project Description**

Describe the proposed development project. *You will be asked about past or future phases in the next section. Do not describe past or future project phases here*. (*4,000 characters*)

Were there previous phases to this project (that occurred before the three-year grant period)?

If yes: Describe how the previous phase(s) contributed to the current phase. (*2,000 characters*)

Will there be a separate future phase to the project (that will occur after the three-year grant period)?

If yes: Describe the future phase(s), their outcomes, and how the outcomes are different from the current phase. (*2,000 characters*)

**Project Outcomes: Housing**

**Housing Detail**

Are you preserving and/or rehabbing existing affordable housing?

 If yes: Describe the risk of these units no longer being affordable. Consider

* New market rate developments and/or rising rents in the project area
* Signs of cultural displacement
* Recent displacement of residents near the project

(*4,000 characters*)

Describe the extent of the rehab or remodeling needed on the existing building. (*2,000 characters*)

**Housing Outcomes**

Describe how the project best meets the needs of future residents. Consider

* project design
* programming for residents
* project location
* Homes for people who face barriers finding a home
* Services provided on site or through partnerships

(*4,000 characters*)

How will the project stay affordable for at least 15 years?

Other funding requirements (TIF, LIHTC, etc.)

 Deed restriction/LURA

 Other (please specify)

Any additional notes on affordability terms (*1,000 characters*)

Describe how the project helps to further equitable outcomes and reduce disparities in housing access. *Refer to the evaluation explanations and data profile as you answer this question*. (*4,000 characters*)

**Project Outcomes: Economic Opportunity**

**Economic Opportunity Details**

**Economic Opportunity Outcomes**

Describe how the project is going to support economic opportunities for people in the project area or living/working in the future development, including but not limited to

* Jobs or job training created through the project
* How the business model supports wealth building
* The long-term goal of the project
* Preserving jobs at risk of being lost

*Do not describe housing outcomes in this section.* (*4,000 characters*)

Will the project create or preserve jobs and/or training opportunities in the following areas? Select all that apply.

* environmental sustainability
* technology
* healthcare
* industrial jobs with transit access
* city priority areas

Describe how the project helps to further equitable outcomes and reduce disparities in economic opportunity. *Refer to the evaluation explanations and data profile as you answer this question*. (*4,000 characters*)

**Project Outcomes: Compact, Connected Development**

**Development Outcomes**

If the project is new construction, will it increase density and activity at the site? If the project is preservation/rehab, will it maintain a high level of connectivity and activity? (Y/N)

Any additional information on density and/or activity changes *(1,000 characters)*

Describe how the project will make it easier for people living in, working in, or visiting the project to meet their daily needs. Consider if the project is adding new uses as well as how people will walk, bike, or roll to and through the site. (*4,000 characters*)

Is the project creating intentional connections to nearby parks, trails, or other greenspaces?

 Yes/No

 If yes, briefly describe the connections *(1,000 characters)*

Describe how the project helps to further equitable outcomes in access to services and amenities. *Refer to the evaluation explanations and data profile as you answer this question*. (*4,000 characters*)

**Project Outcomes: Environment and Livability**

Are there local environmental requirements that apply to the project site?

 If Yes: Briefly describe all applicable requirements. (*1,000 characters*)

Is the project following green design guidelines and/or meeting a green building standard?

If Yes: Describe the green building standards including whether any certification will be pursued. (*1,000 characters*),

Is the project creating open space?

 If yes: Briefly describe the space the project is adding *(1,000 characters)*

**Environment and Livability Outcomes**

How is the project reducing GHGs and/or conserving natural resources? (check all that apply)

 Reusing building materials

 Conserving or adding greenspace

 Using native plantings

 Stormwater management system

 High efficiency appliances and fixtures

 Sustainable design practices

 Other

Additional information you would like to add about the environmental sustainability components of the project (*2,000 characters*)

Describe how the project will further equity outcomes in access to greenspace and/or address environmental sustainability in places where residents have been most impacted by environmental harms. *Explain the environmental harms and/or barriers to accessing greenspace present in the project area.* (*4,000 characters*)

**Project Process**

How will the project reflect the needs and culture of the community it will be serving? Think about your project team, your community engagement process, and any other ways you have brought community perspective into the development process. (4,000 characters).

What steps is the city taking to address local inequities? Consider

* relevant local policies
* efforts to implement more equitable development practices
* Studies to understand existing disparities

(*2,000 characters*)