



City of Newark

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Legislation Text

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Dept/ Agency: Public Works/Division of Sanitation

Action: (X) Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending

Type of Service: Acceptance of Grant Funds

Purpose: 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant

Entity Name: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Agency

Entity Address: 401 East State Street, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Grant Amount: \$360,695.71

Funding Source: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

Total Project Cost: \$0.00

City Contribution: \$0.00

Other Funding Source/Amount: \$0.00

Contract Period: Not Applicable

Contract Basis: () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS

() Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ

() Private Sale (X) Grant () Sub-recipient () n/a

Additional Information:

There is no specific timeframe within which the grant funds must be expended.

The grant funds are to be solely use for the City's Recycling Program.

WHEREAS, the New Jersey "Clean Communities and Recycling Act" of 1981, created the Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant Program, whereby municipalities could receive a grant for the amount of materials documented as being recycled during the previous calendar year; and

WHEREAS, in 1987, the New Jersey "Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act," specifically N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.16, mandated that municipalities submit an annual Recycling Tonnage Report summarizing the amount of material recycled during the previous calendar year; and

WHEREAS, in January 2008, the "Recycling Enhancement Act," specifically N.J.S.A. 13:1E-96.2, et seq. reestablished the State of New Jersey Recycling Fund as a non-lapsing, revolving fund, administered by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP"), from which a tonnage grant may be provided to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant Program does not require the submission of an official application to receive an award nor does the NJDEP issue official award letters, rather grant funds are provided to the City via direct deposit; and

WHEREAS, in order to remain eligible for a direct recycling grant, municipalities need only submit an annual recycling tonnage report to the NJDEP for the previous calendar year's recycling; and

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2021, the City of Newark (the “City”), caused a 2021 Annual Recycling Tonnage Report to be filed with the NJDEP (see “Tonnage Report” attached hereto and made a part hereof); and

WHEREAS, the NJDEP issued a check to the City of Newark, dated March 14, 2024, for the 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant funds awarded to the City in the amount of Three Hundred Sixty Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and Seventy One Cents (\$360,695.71), which was directly deposited into the City’s account on March 19, 2024 (see “Deposit Summary” report attached hereto and made a part hereof); and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Public Works, wishes to accept said 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, no grant agreement is required in order to accept the 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, no matching municipal funds are required for acceptance of the 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, there is no timeframe for which the City of Newark may expend Tonnage Grant Funds, as long as all recycling tonnage grant funds received are expended only for the City’s Recycling Program, pursuant to the Recycling Enhancement Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The Mayor of the City of Newark and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Public Works, are hereby authorized to submit its 2021 Annual Recycling Tonnage Report with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (“NJDEP”), for use for the City’s Recycling Program (a copy of the “Tonnage Report” is attached hereto and made a part hereof).

2. The Municipal Council hereby ratifies its authorization of the submission of the annual Recycling Tonnage Report from the date of submission to the date of adoption of this authorizing Resolution.

3. The Mayor of the City of Newark and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Public Works, are hereby authorized to accept the 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant in the amount of Three Hundred Sixty Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and Seventy One Cents (\$360,695.71), from the NJDEP for use for the City’s Recycling Program (a copy of the “Deposit Summary” report is attached).

4. The acceptance of the 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant from the NJDEP is hereby ratified from March 19, 2024, to the date of adoption of this authorizing Resolution.

5. No grant agreement is required to accept the 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant funds.

6. No matching municipal funds are required for acceptance of the 2021 Recycling

Tonnage Grant funds.

7. There is no timeframe for which the City of Newark may expend the 2021 Tonnage Grant Funds, as long as all recycling tonnage grant funds received are expended only for the City's Recycling Program, pursuant to the Recycling Enhancement Act.

8. The Director of the Department of Public Works shall file a fully executed copy of the 2021 Annual Recycling Tonnage Report, and the "Deposit Summary" report from the NJDEP in the Office of City Clerk.

STATEMENT

This Resolution ratifies and authorizes the actions taken by the City of Newark to submit the 2021 Annual Recycling Tonnage Report with the NJDEP, and the Director of the Department of Public Works to accept the 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant funds in the amount of \$360,695.71 from the NJDEP for use for the City's Recycling Program. No municipal funds are required.