OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

FY20 Great Streets Retail Small Business Grant

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development welcomes submissions from eligible small businesses seeking to improve their place of business through this capital improvement grant program.

Purpose: The purpose of the Great Streets Initiative is to transform certain designated emerging commercial corridors into thriving, walkable, shoppable and inviting neighborhood experiences. The Great Streets Initiative does this by supporting existing businesses, attracting new businesses, increasing the District's tax base, and creating new job opportunities for District residents.

Background Information: The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) invites the submission of applications for Great Streets Retail Small Business Grants. Pursuant to the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development Limited Grant-Making Authority Amendment Act 2016, effective October 8, 2016 (D.C. Law 21-160; D.C. Official Code § 1-328.04); and from the Economic Development Special Account pursuant to D.C. Official Code §2-1225.21.

Award: DMPED will award up \$3,000,000.00 total in grants. Maximum request per application is \$50,000.00.

Eligible businesses: A new or existing small business owner whose business location is either within, and/or plans to move to a Great Street Corridor are eligible (see map at: http://ht.ly/m90F30cM0bz).

Ineligible businesses: Adult Entertainment, Auto Body Shops, Financial Institutions, Construction/General Contracting, Home-Based Businesses, Non-Profit Child Development Centers, Hotels, Phone Stores, and Real Estate Development/Property Management Realtor.

Following is a list of the Great Street Corridors:

7th Street/Georgia Ave NW
Connecticut Avenue NW
Georgia Avenue NW
H Street – Bladensburg Road NE
Minnesota/Benning Road NE
Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE/ South
Capitol Street SE/SW
New York Avenue NE

North Capitol Street NW/NE Pennsylvania Avenue SE Wisconsin Avenue NW Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue NE Rhode Island Avenue NE U Street/14th Street NW (ADMO/Mt. Pleasant) For additional eligibility requirements and exclusions, please review the Request for Application (RFA) which will be posted at http://greatstreets.dc.gov by **Friday, September 20, 2019**

Period of Performance: date of execution through August 2020.

Grant Information Sessions: DMPED will host multiple information and live web chat sessions on the Great Streets Corridors. Details about the information sessions will be posted at www.greatstreets.dc.gov.

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Deadline for Electronic Submission: Applicants must submit an online application to DMPED via the Agency's system no later than 12 noon EST on *Thursday, October 24, 2019*