

Report of the Grants Committee Gretchen Wharton, Committee Chair

The grants committee met in person on November 16, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Wharton at 1:27 p.m. with a quorum present. Committee members Wharton, Barry, Brienza, and Van Lee were in attendance.

The Committee reports the following to the full commission:

- **FY23 Updates**
 - **FY24 Capital projects grant**
 - FY24 received 29 more applications than FY23(a 42% increase)
 - For the third year in a row, the review required an additional panel
 - Complete recommendation rationale attached. (Kevin Hasser)

- **Considerations / Decisions**
 - **FY24 CAP Recommendation**
 - Fund 67 eligible FY2024 Capital Projects applicants for a total of \$6,271,805. **Decision: Yes** (Grants Committee Recommendation: 11/16/23)

Committee Recommendations

The Committee Recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Commission agree to the Committee's recommendation to fund 67 eligible applications for FY2024 Capital Projects applicants at an amount of \$6,271,805.

Committee Chair Wharton adjourned the meeting at 4:27 pm.

- **Grants Re-Vamp 2023**
 - Grants Revamp was also held on Thursday, November 16, 2023
 - Reviewed 2022 suggestions and outcomes, with 87% implementation reached
 - Discussed staggering the release of grant funding to award throughout the year and not all in October.
 - Analyzed ward funding and grant budgets for the past 3 years.
 - Exploring new grant management systems that will allow for a paperless grant process.