Department Source: City Utilities - Water and Light

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: September 5, 2017

Re: Appropriating $5,000 in anticipation of an American Public Power Association grant for work completed under a DEED Student Internship Scholarship agreement.

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance appropriating $5,000 from Electric Grant revenue to Nonrecurring Contracts in anticipation of an American Public Power Association grant for work completed under a DEED Student Internship Scholarship agreement.

Discussion

American Public Power Association DEED offers several types of scholarships. Columbia Water and Light staff has applied for and received a Student Internship scholarship which will pay up to $5,000 to the City for distribution to the scholarship recipient. This scholarship will be awarded to a qualifying student interested in assisting with the 2018 Advancing Renewable Energy in the Midwest conference. This annual conference is hosted by the City of Columbia Water and Light Department, the Missouri Department of Economic Development, and the University Of Missouri School Of Natural Resources. The conference planning and development will allow the student to research and suggest topics and speakers for the conference to be held in April of 2018. The length of the agreement is one year.

Payment to the student will be made in three parts. $1,000 will be released once the signed contract agreements are returned to APPA. A second payment of $1,500 will be released when the student is halfway through their internship and a written summary of their work and accomplishments has been approved by the utility and DEED administrator. The final $1,500 will be paid upon satisfactory completion of the internship, including submission of a final report, summary abstract and any other deliverables promised in the application. The scholarship includes travel expenses of up to a maximum of $1,000 for the student to attend an APPA conference or APPA approved conference such as Missouri Public Utility Alliance conference or other state Joint Action Agency within 12 months of the student completion of the internship. The DEED Administrator must approve the student’s travel arrangements.

The final invoice may be submitted at the same time as the final reports/deliverables

Staff recommends that Council adopt an ordinance appropriating $5,000 from Electric Grant revenue to Nonrecurring Contracts for in anticipation of an American Public Power Association grant for work completed under a DEED Student Internship Scholarship agreement.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Appropriating $5,000 from Electric Grant revenue to Nonrecurring Contracts in anticipation of an American Public Power Association grant for work completed under a DEED Student Internship Scholarship agreement.

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impacts

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/city-manager/)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/community_development/comprehensive_plan/documents/ColumbiaImagined-FINAL.pdf)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

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| Date | Action |
| July 3, 2017 | B186-17 Authorizing a Demonstration of Energy & Efficiency Developments (DEED) scholarship agreement with the American Public Power Association for assistance in the planning and development of the 2018 Advancing Renewable Energy in the Midwest conference. |

Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends that Council adopt an ordinance appropriating $5,000 from Electric Grant revenue to Nonrecurring Contracts for in anticipation of an American Public Power Association grant for work completed under a DEED Student Internship Scholarship agreement.