

# PLANNING SESSION COMMUNICATION

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 4, 2025	<b>Agenda Item:</b> {{section.number}}B	<b>Agenda Location:</b> BRIEFINGS	_____ 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading _____ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
<b>Subject:</b> Strategic Grant Plan Update			
<b>Department Head Review:</b> Robb Kolstad, Deputy City Manager		<b>Approved by:</b> Tansy Hayward, City Manager	<b>Ordinance previously introduced by:</b> _____
<b>Presenter(s):</b> Rebecca Abrahamson, Grant Program Manager			

**SYNOPSIS:**

This presentation will consist of a brief update regarding the development of an annual Strategic Grant Plan. The Strategic Grant Plan aims to outline the Citywide plan for the pursuit of grant funding and will include specific funding opportunities, timelines, and potential projects. The goal of the plan is to maximize meaningful grant funding for the City by enhancing grant-readiness and ensuring that grant-seeking activities support the broader mission, vision, and priorities of the City.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

For informational purposes only.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

None.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

For informational purposes only.

**BACKGROUND (ANALYSIS/NEXT STEPS/HISTORY):** (includes previous City Council action)

The City of Thornton hired a Grant Program Manager at the end of August 2024. The Grant Program Manager provides high-level management of the grant program by developing the annual Strategic Grant Plan, researching grant opportunities, coordinating with and supporting grant-seeking departments, providing answers and information related to frequently asked questions, offering trainings to staff on a variety of grant topics, and ultimately aligning grant opportunities with city priorities.

**ATTACHMENTS:**