2020 Small Business Utility Relief Program

Application and Eligibility Guidelines for Small Business Utility Relief Program

- Eligibility
 - 1. Must qualify as a small business which is defined by SIC or NAIC codes
 - 2. Employ less than 15 FTE's https://hr.fsu.edu/PDF/Publications/FTEConversionTable.pdf
 - 3. Have revenues of less than \$500,000 (as defined in the small business definition in ORC 718).
 - 4. Provide a description of your business to supplement the above eligibility guideline
 - For Landlords:
 - ➤ Landlords are not eligible for this program unless
 - a. They operate a qualifying small business on site
 - b. Proof that relief is passed on to tenant(s)
 - c. Jointly co-sign application with tenant
- Application
 - 1. SBA defined codes may not be available to every business. Therefore, a space to provide a brief description of your business provides a means for alternative eligibility.
 - 2. Specify what relief is being requested: water or electric or both. Relief is capped at \$100/ month. This will be applied to electric first and any remaining will then be applied to water.

Fiscal Impact Analysis on the Proposed Small Business Utility Relief Program

- We have 632 parcels in our business zones. 286 of them are very likely to have multiple businesses on a single lot.
- Using internal business data, zoning data, as well as RITA data, we have estimated there are approximately 1,000 businesses in town and approximately 2/3's of them are small, independent or in shopping centers areas. That brings us to an estimated and rounded number of 650.
- Assuming the utility bills were to be capped at \$100/month, we would incur costs of between 0 to \$65,000/month.
- Running the program for 2 months would then total a maximum of \$130,000 split between HPP and water.

Application Form

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