

City Council of Cotter, Arkansas

RESOLUTION 2018-02

A Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of an Application, for Arkansas Rural Community Grant Program Funds, to the State of Arkansas

WHEREAS: The City of Cotter is applying for funds through the Arkansas Rural Development Commission, Arkansas Rural Community Grant Programs; and

WHEREAS: The City Council of Cotter has determined that the City meets eligibility requirements necessary to apply for a grant under the Arkansas Rural Communities Grant Programs; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cotter has presented plans to construct a new Multi-purpose Community Center to be located in Big Springs Park, as part of an on-going City-wide improvement program; and

WHEREAS: The City Council of Cotter recognizes the need for the project, concurs with its importance, and supports the City in its efforts to proceed with the same; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cotter has furnished proof that they have raised at least \$15,000.00 through community funds and/or in-kind donations to be applied to the project as a local match;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mayor of Cotter is hereby authorized, on behalf of the City of Cotter, to submit an application of formal request to the Arkansas Rural Development Commission for the purpose of securing state grant funds, in the amount of \$15,000.00 to aid in the construction of a new multi-purpose Community Center as part of the on-going City-wide improvement program and that the mayor is further authorized to administer the grant funds for the same project.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2018.

APPROVED:


Peggy Hammack, Mayor

ATTEST:


Andrea Kray, Recorder/Treasurer

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Arkansas Rural Community Grant Program

CERTIFICATION LETTER

Date January 19, 2018

Arkansas Rural Community Grant Program
c/o Arkansas Economic Development Commission, Division of Rural Services
900 West Capitol, Suite 400
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Members of the Arkansas Rural Development Commission:

On behalf of the City of Cotter, I am writing to request your assistance in securing a state grant under the Arkansas Rural Community Grant program. Proceeds from the \$15,000.00 grant, if awarded, will be used for the following project, as outlined in the enclosed application;

Construction of a new 60ft. by 40ft. Multi-purpose Community Center to be located in the Big Spring Park. The new Community Center is planned to look like an early 1900's Train Station or Depot. The City of Cotter has a long railroad history and was the location of a railroad maintenance roundhouse for many years. The City plans to honor that history with a Depot style Community Building. The City of Cotter currently does not have a Community Center.

The City of Cotter has furnished proof that they have raised \$15,000.00 through local cash and/or in-kind donations as their matching share of the project. Further, we have read the application fully and have determined that the City of Cotter is eligible to apply for and receive funds under this program.

I designate myself, Mayor of the City of Cotter, as the person ultimately responsible for the administration of the state grant, if awarded. Project funds from all sources will be expended through a fund established on the books of the City of Cotter. All project expenditures with invoices and cancelled checks attached, in addition to copies of all application materials, will remain on file in the Mayor's office for three years or until audited (whichever is later), to assure that funds were used for the purposes for which they were made available.

If additional information is needed concerning this project, please feel free to contact me or the project's primary contact person Mr. Jay Stallard, NWAEDD, Inc. at 870-741-5406.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Mayor Peggy Hammack
City of Cotter
870-435-6326