

City Manager's Office

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 12, 2023

TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Doug Thornley, City Manager Approved Electronically

FROM: Suzanne Groneman, Sustainability Manager

Jackie Bryant, Assistant City Manager

SUBJECT: Constituent Inquiry Regarding Available Federal Funding

At the April 12, 2023, meeting of the Reno City Council a constituent provided public comment both in writing and in person regarding federal funds available for sustainability initiatives. To clarify, the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants, managed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), allocated \$3 million to the State of Nevada. If not claimed by the state, certain local governments would have direct access to the funds. However, the State of Nevada put forth their notice to receive the funds prior to the required March 2023 deadline. Therefore, the City of Reno may not request these funds. Staff will continue to work with the state in regards to this program.

On or before April 28, 2023, as also noted by the constituent, the pre-application for the Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) is due. Staff has submitted a pre-application. If awarded, a grant acceptance item will go before the Reno City Council.