

SUBJECT

BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 22-352

Pertaining to a grant application to the Metropolitan Council to establish a water demand reduction program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Metropolitan Council has been appropriated funds from the State of Minnesota Clean Water Fund to encourage implementation of water demand reduction measures. The Met Council intends to use a portion of those funds for a Water Efficiency Grant Program.

Board staff and Met Council staff discussed the opportunity for the Board to apply for a grant of approximately \$250,000 from that program. This money can be used to develop water use reduction programs that reduce or prevent unintended water use (leaks) and offer rebates or grants to Board customers who replace specified water using devices with approved devices that use substantially less water.

The Board would be responsible for the design and operation of its program and its details. The program will include tracking of water saved.

This resolution will authorize staff to apply for the grant funds. If the application is approved, staff will present a Grant Agreement to the Board at a later date for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

Board approval is recommended.