

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Monmouth City Council will hold a public hearing on May 18, 2020 at 5:45pm, in Council Chambers at City Hall, to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed CDBG Small Business Stabilization Program grant application to assist Flowers Are Us, which has experienced detrimental impacts from the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus.

On or about May 19, 2020, the City of Monmouth intends to apply to the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for a grant from the Small Business Stabilization Program. This program is funded by federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant Program. These funds will be used by the Monmouth business identified above to provide working capital to offset the loss of revenues due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus and corresponding Illinois Governor's Executive Orders. Each business could request up to \$25,000 to cover verifiable working capital needs for 60 days.

Information related to this project will be available for review prior to the public hearing as of May 12, 2020 at City Hall between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM by appointment, by calling 309-734-2141. Interested residents are invited to provide comments regarding these issues either at the public hearing or by prior written statement. Written comments should be submitted to City Administrator Lew Steinbrecher no later than May 19, 2020 in order to ensure placement of such comments in the official record of the public hearing proceedings. The project will result in no displacement of any persons or businesses. For additional information concerning the proposed project, please contact Lew Steinbrecher at 309-734-2141 or write to Lew Steinbrecher at lew.steinbrecher@cityofmonmouth.com.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

Resolution # 20-007

WHEREAS, the City of Monmouth is applying to the State of Illinois for a Community Development Block Grant Program grant, and;

WHEREAS, it is necessary that an application be made, and agreements entered with the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, this application is intended to provide up to \$25,000 in funds for 60 days of verifiable working capital needs for Flowers Are Us which has been economically impacted by the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus and subsequent Executive Orders issued by Illinois Governor Pritzker which has closed non-essential business enterprises.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- 1) that the City of Monmouth intends to apply for a grant under the terms and conditions of the State of Illinois and shall enter into and agree to the understandings and assurances contained in said application.
- 2) that the Mayor and the City Clerk, on behalf of the City of Monmouth, are authorized to execute such documents and all other documents necessary for the carrying out of said application.
- 3) that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to provide such additional information as may be required to accomplish the obtaining of such grant.

Passed this _____ day of May, 2020.

ATTEST: _____

City Clerk

Mayor