



## REQUEST FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ACTION

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**MEETING DATE:** October 3, 2022

**PREPARED BY:** Brett Angell, Economic Development Manager

**AGENDA ITEM:** Pints and Paddle sewer availability charge (SAC) credit assistance

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### PREVIOUS ACTIONS:

At the January 4, 2021 meeting, the Economic Development Authority adopted EDA Resolution 27 creating the sewer availability charge (SAC) credit policy.

At the April 4, 2022 meeting, the EDA approved amendments to the SAC credit policy to further define approved assistance amounts and eligible applicants.

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### RECOMMENDED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ACTION:

Motion to approve ten (10) sewer availability charge credits of assistance for Pints and Paddle through the EDA's SAC credit program.

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### COMMENTS:

The Economic Development Authority's Sewer Availability Charge (SAC) Policy was designed and adopted to provide relief to businesses choosing to locate within the city by reducing the total amount of SAC charges a business is required to pay. Eligible applicants for assistance include retail, restaurants, entertainment businesses, and manufacturing. Businesses are able to apply for up to ten (10) credits of assistance. Each credit is currently valued at \$2,485 by the Metropolitan Council.

SAC charges are pass-through charges which the city collects and provides to the Metropolitan Council. All developments and businesses within communities that are a part of the regional sewer system are subject to SAC fees. The number of credits a business is required to pay in is determined based upon the anticipated demand on the sewer system by the user.

Pints & Paddle, the recently approved pickleball, beer hall, and restaurant, which is going to be located within The Grove area has request assistance through the SAC credit program. Pints & Paddle is requesting ten (10) credits of assistance. Pints & Paddle received their SAC determination letter from the Metropolitan Council on 8/31/2022 which has a total fee of 57

credits (i.e. \$141,645). The proposed assistance as requested would reduce their total fee by \$24,850 and bring the new total to \$116,795.

Staff are recommending approval of the requested amount of assistance as the business meets all criteria of the program. With the proposed assistance to Pints & Paddle, the program will still retain a balance of approximately \$120,000.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: Applicant request letter