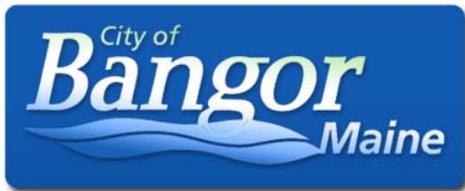


MEMORANDUM



TO: Business & Economic Development Committee
FROM: Jason Bird, Community and Economic Development Officer
DATE: November 24, 2014

Apply for DECD RLF Brownfields Grant for Building 487

After conducting a Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessment on Building 487 on Polk Street at the Airport, City staff is seeking the authorization to apply for a grant from the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) to assist in the demolition and abatement of contaminants at the site.

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) is willing to assist the City in the abatement of the interior contaminants, namely asbestos and PCBs. However, the MDEP commitment, approximately \$120,000, is contingent upon the City securing the remaining \$140,000 of the estimated project cost. The City would commit up to \$50,000 of CDBG money as a match to the application.

If the application is successful, the item will come before the Council again in the form of a recommendation to accept and appropriate the grant award. At that time, Staff will review the grant's terms and conditions with the Council, which are expected to be standard.

City staff seeks the support of this Committee to submit the application to DECD.