

GRANT SUMMARY

Historic Preservation Enhancement Grant

The City seeks the State Historic Preservation Office grant titled "Historic Preservation Enhancement Grant for Certified Local Governments" to study adaptive reuses for the River Street National Historic District.

The SHPO is asking for a proposals for projects that benefit the cultural resources of a municipality, such as adaptive reuse studies. The City is seeking to study possibilities for adaptive reuse in the River Street District, as well as other similar districts facing the similar combination of issues: remediation of contaminated land, adaptation to flood risks, and rehabilitation of historic resources. The process will consist of hiring a consultant to conduct an economic feasibility study on potential reuse models, as well as engaging local stakeholders in assessing needs and desires for the area. The public engagement processes will help shape the City's next comprehensive plan, as well as future planning processes in the area. The project will provide a set of models and practices that can be used in planning for future areas with similar conditions: historic importance, deteriorating physical conditions, and flood risk.