



Memorandum

To: Springdale Historic Preservation Commission
From: Staff
Date: December 30, 2020
Re: Priority Project List for CLG Grants

Executive Summary

The Springdale Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) meets the National Park Service Historic Preservation criteria for classification as a Certified Local Government (CLG). This makes the SHPC eligible for grants from the Utah State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) designed to assist CLGs in historic preservation projects.

CLG grants will reimburse the SHPC up to \$10,000 for qualifying historic preservation expenses. The grant requires a 50% local match. Thus, the total project cost for CLG grant projects must exceed \$20,000. Multiple projects may be funded with a single CLG grant. The total cost of all projects is combined to determine the reimbursement amount and required match. Details on the types of projects eligible for CLG grant funding can be found [here](#).

The SHPC should review potential historic preservation projects and establish a priority list of projects that could be funded with a CLG grant. The SHPC should then direct staff to prepare an CLG grant application. Applications are due the first week of February.

Potential projects for the SHPC to consider include (listed in random order):

- Development of printed materials or other support for a walking tour of historic sites in Springdale
- SHPC / staff attendance at historic preservation conferences
- Roof replacement at the Under the Eaves Inn
- Rehabilitation of the historic granary near the Town Hall*
- Enhancements to the historic Springdale jail*

*These projects are rehabilitation projects on historic properties. However, the properties are not listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Based on SHPO's list of eligible projects for CLG grants it is unclear whether or not they would qualify for CLG grant funding. Staff will research this issue with SHPO staff.

The SHPC should consider which of these, or other preservation projects, should receive prioritization for CLG grant funding.

Project Background and Analysis

The following is a brief summary of each preservation project mentioned above

Historic Springdale Walking Tour

Several years ago ZArts developed content for a walking tour of historic sites in Springdale. This walking tour could be updated and expanded to include all the historic sites in Springdale, including those the Town has recently acquired such as the history museum and the historic cemetery. Funds could be used to develop printed material for the walking tour. Project budget: \$2,000.

Preservation Conferences

In the past the Town has sent SHPC members to state history conferences using CLG funds. Previous attendees at the history conferences have found the events informative and helpful. Costs covered by the CLG grant include travel, accommodations, and conference registration. Project budget: \$1,800 (for two conference attendees).

Replace Under the Eaves Roof

The wood shingle roof at the Under the Eaves Inn needs replacement. The roof is one of the most distinctive features of this historic building. This building is the only structure in Springdale listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Rehabilitation of registered properties is specifically listed as an eligible project for CLG grants. Project budget: \$12,000. (Note that since this is a project benefiting a privately owned property, the required match will be provided by the property owners.)

Rehabilitate Historic Granary

The Town has been gifted a historic log structure believed to have been used as one of the earliest Bishop's Storehouses in Springdale. This structure is currently sitting near the parking area behind the Canyon Community Center. The structure needs to have a more permanent foundation, roof repair, and some minor repair of the siding. The site surrounding the structure needs to be improved with landscape and other site improvements. Project budget: \$8,000.

Enhancements to Springdale Jail

The Town owns the historic jail, located across the driveway from the Springdale Elementary School. This historic asset has not been developed with interpretive material or had any preservation work done. Staff has not developed a plan or project budget for this project yet. Project budget: undetermined.

Issues for Consideration

The maximum reimbursement available through a CLG grant is \$10,000. This would require at least \$10,000 in matching funds. However, the SHPC can overmatch with local funds. For example, the SHPC can apply for projects totalling more than \$20,000, but only \$10,000 will be reimbursed. In preparing a project budget the SHPC can identify how much of each project will be reimbursed.

The SHPC should also be aware that CLG grants have an 18-month timeline. This means that all projects eligible for reimbursement must be complete within 18 months after the grant funds are awarded. The

SHPC should consider which projects can realistically be completed in 18-months. The SHPC can only have one active CLG grant at a time. The 18-month grant timeline also means that the SHPC won't be eligible to apply for another CLG grant until 2023. The SHPC should consider which projects are most important to complete in this grant cycle, and which could be postponed to 2023.

SHPC Suggested Action

Staff suggests the SHPC develop a priority list of projects for CLG grant funding and direct staff to prepare a grant application.

