

## Eligible uses of LCDA Development grants

Grant funds may be used for basic and [placemaking](#) public infrastructure and [site assembly](#) to support development projects that meet the funding goals, and funded elements must directly contribute to completion of the project. A list of [ineligible costs](#) is provided below.

### Basic infrastructure

The following infrastructure elements are eligible, including design and engineering for each element.

#### Local public streets

- New streets, street realignment; reconstruction of an existing street grid; street extensions or connections. Note that these elements are eligible *only* when performed on local public streets; county roads are ineligible.
- Street lighting and street signs.
- Permanent pedestrian features, including sidewalks and benches, bike racks.
- Site-integrated transit shelters, bike racks, or bridges for vehicle or pedestrian use.

#### Utilities

- Extensions of modifications to local public sewer, water or telecommunications lines.

#### Stormwater management

- New or expanded stormwater ponds
- Rain gardens, rain beams, and other innovative stormwater management techniques
- Infiltration swales
- Pervious pavement
- Native vegetation for infiltration and erosion control

#### Public connecting elements

- Public connecting elements (generally in the public right-of-way or clearly for public use) including sidewalks and trails that enhance the functional connectivity of the project to transit and other surrounding public spaces including schools and parks.

#### Public-use or shared-use parking structures

- Parking structures used in whole or in part by the public.
- Wholly-private parking structures are not eligible.
- Surface parking is not eligible.

### Placemaking infrastructure

- Lighting, seating, sidewalks, paths and furnishing and equipment for parks, plazas and other public areas;
- construction of placemaking functional elements or improvements that serve as a focal point of the development and that attract other investment; and
- design and engineering for these elements.

## Site assembly

- Land acquisition.
- Full or selective demolition and removal of obsolete structures, including:
  - Building demolition or demolition of building footings and/or foundations
  - Removal of existing site elements such as existing fencing, concrete pavement, railroad tracks, sewer/water pipe, sidewalks, fire hydrants, etc.
  - Safety fencing and signage
  - Utility disconnection
  - Rubbish handling and dump charges
- Grading and soil correction to prepare a site for construction, including:
  - Site clearing and grubbing for funded project activities
  - Dewatering
  - Shoring and underpinning
  - Excavation and fill and excavation support/protection
  - Earthwork – equipment mobilization and demobilization
  - Grading
  - Dredging
  - Soil stabilization
  - Erosion and sedimentation control
  - Soil treatment for termite control

## Ineligible uses of Development grants

Ineligible uses of LCDA Development funds include:

- *Newly ineligible for 2011:* payments made to the city by the developer (i.e., lane closure fees, permits, licenses, etc.);
- administrative overhead or operating expenses;
- architect, developer, legal or other fees;
- marketing costs;
- bonds and/or insurance;
- costs associated with the exercise of eminent domain;
- travel, food or refreshments;
- building construction or rehabilitation;
- county road improvements;
- parking structures without a shared public component or surface parking;
- trees, sod, and landscape plantings;
- site assembly for lands to be used for transit infrastructure or capital investments, e.g., transit stations, station platforms, and park-and-ride facilities;
- building construction, rehabilitation and “affordability gap” and “value gap” financing;
- pollution cleanup;
- relocation costs;
- planning costs, including costs associated with master plans, redevelopment plans, design workshops, design standards, market studies, zoning and land use implementation tools; and/or

- activities prior to the date of award or after the expiration date of the grant agreement.