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City Receives \$1 Million Energy Efficiency Grant

The City of Pompano Beach has received a \$1 million federal stimulus grant through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG) Program, to support energy efficiency and conservation initiatives. The City Commission will give final approval to accept the grant at tonight's City Commission Meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. Specifically these funds will be used to retrofit City Hall's inefficient air conditioning system and to interchange numerous city street lights with a more energy efficient fixture.

The EECBG Program was established by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) of 2009 and represents a presidential priority to deploy the cheapest, cleanest, and most reliable energy technologies we have across the entire nation. The EECBG Program is modeled after the Community Development Block Grant program and is intended to assist U.S. cities, counties, states, territories, and Indian tribes to develop, promote, implement, and manage energy efficiency and conservation projects.

The goals of these projects and programs include:

- Reduce fossil fuel emissions
- Reduce the total energy use
- Improve energy efficiency in the transportation, building, and other appropriate sectors
- Create and retain jobs.

This Program empowers the City of Pompano Beach to make strategic investments to meet the nation's long-term goals for energy independence and leadership on climate change.

After accomplishing a baseline energy audit of all city facilities and necessary documentation, the projects to retrofit city Hall air-conditioning and City street lights should commence sometime during the Summer of 2010. There is no matching funds required for this grant.

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