

## **Grant Consistency Reviews – General Information**

Acts 67, 68 and 127 of 2000 amended the *Municipalities Planning Code* (MPC) to direct state agencies to consider and rely on the comprehensive plans of counties and municipalities when reviewing applications for the funding of facilities and infrastructure<sup>1</sup>. Applications for state grants must be submitted to Allegheny County Economic Development (ACED), Planning Division, for a determination of consistency with *AlleghenyPlaces*, the Allegheny County comprehensive plan<sup>2</sup>.

In addition to a letter of notification, the applicant must provide the following: <u>a detailed description of the proposed project</u> (usually taken from the application), a summary of project costs, a good site location map, <u>design drawings</u>, or any other information needed to clearly explain the project.

Please note that checklists for evaluating parks and recreation projects, utility infrastructure projects, and transportation projects for consistency with *AlleghenyPlaces* are available on the *AlleghenyPlaces* website<sup>3</sup>. Applicants are encouraged to complete the applicable checklist and include it with the other required information.

The letter of notification and other information may be forwarded in electronic or hardcopy format. Please forward materials to the attention of Chris Goswick, Planning Division, as follows:

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Allegheny County Economic Development
One Chatham Center, Suite 900
112 Washington Place
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

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Please be advised that, in order to ensure compliance with state law, consistency reviews will only be provided for applications that are submitted **before** the requested grant has been awarded.

NOTE: We cannot guarantee timely reviews of last-minute and/or incomplete submittals. To ensure your application is reviewed by the grantor's deadline, be sure to submit a complete package at least 4 working days prior to the due date.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Chris Goswick at 412-350-1025, or Kay Pierce, Manager, at 412-350-1030.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See MPC, §619.2 and §1105

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> www.alleghenyplaces.com

http://www.alleghenyplaces.com/implementation/consistency.aspx