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Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann Awards a \$15,000 Planning Grant to the City of Brazil

INDIANAPOLIS—Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann has awarded a \$15,000 planning grant to the city of Brazil for a comprehensive plan through the state’s Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

“Planning grants are an important tool as communities consider the best way to attract new businesses and increase prosperity in their town,” said Lt. Governor Ellspermann. “We are pleased to support the grant request from the city of Brazil as community leaders and residents explore ways to improve their community.”

The planning grant for the city of Brazil will be used for the development of a fire station feasibility study. This study will include a detailed examination of all options, including renovation and expansion or the construction of a new building, which will ultimately provide the Brazil Fire Department with a facility geared toward the community’s future.

The majority of the funding comes from the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, which has proven to be an effective tool for community-based planning and research initiatives.

The CDBG program is administered by the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Please visit www.in.gov/ocra for additional information on this grant program.

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