

**DATE:** February 22, 2016

**SUBMITTED BY:** Odie Wheeler, Public Works Director

**PREPARED BY:** LaSara Kinser, Planning and Zoning Assistant

**SUBJECT:** 2016 Maryland Heritage Areas Authority Grant Application

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Council approve the submission of a grant application to the Maryland Heritage Areas (MHAA) program in the amount of \$100,000. If successful, the City would be able to fund the acquisition and installation of new bricks as a part of the 300 Block of High Street Reconstruction Project.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Award of this grant would provide the funding for a significant portion of the expense of acquiring and installing new bricks at the 300 Block of High Street. There is a 75% cash match associated with this grant program. The combined funding would represent nearly one quarter of the total project budget and will complement the funding being requested from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, which cannot be used for the acquisition and installation of the bricks.