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Local Municipal Contribution for EDIP Projects Applying for State Tax Credits Consideration

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The Economic Development Incentive Program (EDIP) allows the Commonwealth and its municipalities an opportunity to work together to promote site-specific economic development in the region. When awarding state tax credits to a certified project, the Council is charged to consider, among other factors, "the amount and type of local support provided by the municipality in which the certified project will be located." 402 CMR 2.06(g). The EACC generally will require that the use of any state incentive tool under the program must be paired with a corresponding local contribution, such as a tax increment financing (TIF) or special tax assessments (STA), to demonstrate municipal commitment to the project's success. In unusual circumstances, the EACC may consider investments in infrastructure or some other form of "inkind" municipal support specific to the proposed project in lieu of a local tax incentive. The EACC reserves the right to award state tax credits or provide other support to any project that benefits the Commonwealth at large, notwithstanding the absence of local support.