



REPORT FOR INFORMATION

Draft Minutes of the Grants and Programs Committee meeting held October 30, 2025

MEETING DETAILS

MEETING DATE	October 30, 2025	CONTACT	Sadia Khan, Senior Grants Manager
START TIME	10:00am	EMAIL	skhan@taf.ca
LOCATION	MS Teams & TAF Office	CHAIR	Dan Zilnik

MEETING MINUTES –

4. Consolidated Grants and Programs budget

Decision Type: INFORMATION

Status: RECEIVED

Committee Decision:

The Grants and Programs Committee receive the item for information.

Origin:

(October 16, 2025) Consolidated Grants and Programs Budget submitted by Sadia Khan, Senior Grants Manager

Summary:

This report provides an update on the 2025 Grants and Programs budget.

Motions:

*Motion to receive the item for information moved by Dan Zilnik (**Carried**)*

5. Updates from Senior Grants Manager

Decision Type: DISCUSSION

Status: RECIEVED

Committee Decision:

The Grants and Programs Committee receive the item for discussion.

Origin:

(October 30, 2025) Mid-year Update submitted by Sadia Khan, Senior Grants Manager



Summary:

This item provides an update to the committee on a grant portfolio overview planned for January 2026.

Motions:

Motion to receive the item for discussion moved by Mike Layton (Carried)

6. Grant Requests

Decision Type: ACTION

Summary:

This report presents six grant requests for Committee review and recommendation to the Board of Directors for approval with a combined value of \$1,076,877.

Origin:

(October 16, 2025) 2025-3 Grant Requests submitted by Sadia Khan, Senior Grants Manager

6.1 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-01

Status: AMENDED

Committee decision:

The Grants and Programs Committee approve a grant of \$105,000 over 15 months to and recommend it to the Board for approval.

Motions:

Motion to amend the recommendation moved by Dan Zilnik (Carried)

6.2 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-02

Status: ADOPTED

Committee decision:

The Grants and Programs Committee approve the proposed grant of \$184,750 over 18 months and recommend it to the Board for approval.

Motions:

Motion to adopt the recommendation moved by Dan Zilnik (Carried)

6.3 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-05

Status: AMENDED

Committee decision:



The Grants and Programs Committee approve a grant of \$308,327 over 36 months, subject to the specified conditions, and recommend it to the Board for approval.

Motions:

Motion to amend the recommendation as moved by Dan Zilnik (Carried)

6.5 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-04

Status: AMENDED

Committee decision:

The Grants and Programs Committee a grant of \$100,000 over 24 months, subject to the specified conditions, and recommend it to the Board for approval.

Motions:

Motion to amend the recommendation as moved by Dan Zilnik (Carried)

6.4 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-06

Status: DECLINED

Committee decision:

The Grants and Programs Committee decline the proposed grant and recommend that the Board do the same.

Motions:

Motion to decline the recommendation as moved by Dan Zilnik (Carried)

6.6 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-03

Status: AMENDED

Committee decision:

The Grants and Programs Committee approve a grant of \$150,000 over 24 months to, subject to the specified condition, and recommend it to the Board for approval.

Motions:

Motion to amend the recommendation as moved by Dan Zilnik (Carried)

PROCEDURAL ITEMS

Welcome, Introductions, Announcements

The Chair welcomed TAF staff Laura McCloskey, Amanda Mosca and Samia Anwer, who joined the meeting for Agenda Item 6: Grant Requests.



The Chair also acknowledged and thanked **Ryan Ness** for his contributions, noting that he has stepped down from the **Grants and Programs Committee**.

Land Acknowledgement

The Chair acknowledged that the Committee was meeting on the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishinaabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. The Chair also acknowledged that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississauga's of the Credit.

Review of Agenda

At the start of the meeting, the Committee agreed to reorder the agenda items. Grant requests were discussed in the following sequence: 6.1, 6.2, 6.4, 6.6, 6.5, 6.3. Items 4 and 5 were moved to follow Item 6. The minutes below retain the original item numbering from the published agenda for consistency.

Declarations of Interest

Declared Interests:

- Lindsay Wiginton, Indirect interest in Items 6.5: Grant Request G-NOV 2025-04 and 6.3: Grant Request G-NOV 2025-05 due to her employer's potential involvement in the proposed project or related work.

Procedural Motions

Committee Decision:

That the Grants and Program Committee of the Toronto Atmospheric Fund recess its public session to meet in closed session to consider the following items:

4. Consolidated Grants and Program Budget
5. Updates from Senior Grants Manager

as they relate to the security of the property of the Toronto Atmospheric Fund.

- 6.1 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-01
- 6.2 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-02
- 6.4 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-06
- 6.6 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-03
- 6.5 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-04
- 6.3 Grant Request: G-NOV 2025-05

as they relate to commercial information supplied in confidence to the Toronto Atmospheric Fund which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization.



Motions:

*Motion to meet in Closed Session moved by Dan Zilnik (**Carried**)*

MEETING SESSIONS

Session	Start Time	End Time	Public or Closed Session
A, Procedural Items	10:05	10:20	Public
B, Items 4 through 6	10:20	12:43	Closed
C, Item 7	12:43	12:47	Public

ATTENDANCE

Members present for some or all of the session indicated.

Session	Quorum	Members
A	PRESENT	<i>Present:</i> Tamar Heisler, Mike Layton, Rosemarie Powell, Kirk Johnson, Lindsay Wiginton, Dan Zilnik (Chair). <i>Not Present:</i> Ali Hoss, Erika Lontoc
B	PRESENT	<i>Present:</i> Tamar Heisler, Mike Layton, Rosemarie Powell, Kirk Johnson, Lindsay Wiginton, Dan Zilnik (Chair). <i>Not Present:</i> Ali Hoss, Erika Lontoc
C	PRESENT	<i>Present:</i> Mike Layton, Rosemarie Powell, Kirk Johnson, Lindsay Wiginton, Dan Zilnik (Chair). <i>Not Present:</i> Tamar Heisler, Ali Hoss, Erika Lontoc

Also present – Non-members

Samia Anwer, Climate Policy Analyst, TAF
Crystal Crawford, Operations Lead, TAF
Fatima Crerar, VP, Strategy and Partnerships, TAF
Sadia Khan, Senior Manager, Grants, TAF
Julia Langer, CEO, TAF
Amanda Mosca, EV Charging Program Manager, TAF
Laura McCloskey, Climate Policy Analyst, TAF
Bryan Purcell, VP, Policy and Programs, TAF