

## APPENDIX E – RFR 1068-1068C-1068L-109685 MUNICIPAL BLOCK GRANT FY 2026 WAIVER FORM

Applicants may request a waiver of a condition set forth in the Application for the Commission's consideration. All requests for waivers or variances shall be submitted with the Application. The Commission may in its discretion waive or grant a variance from any provision or requirement contained in the FY 2026 Guidelines.

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## I. Financial Variance Request:

If your municipality's proposed allocation is insufficient to mitigate identified casino related impacts, you may use the space below to request additional funds. Municipal waivers will be evaluated on a case-bycase basis and award decisions will be based on available funding.

**Please Note:** The intent of this waiver is not to fund routine expenses but to find significant projects that would not otherwise be able to be funded under a municipality's annual CMF allocation.

**CMF Designated FY 2026 Grant Amount:** \$313,800 (\$250,000.00 construction)

**Requested Amount Over Designated:** \$267,000.00

Basis of Waiver Request: This Springfield St-Stony Hill Rd Intersection Improvement Project will mitigate safety and congestion issues at one of the busiest local intersections in Town. The intersection has been identified in the environmental impact report prepared for the Mass Gaming Commission as a direct route to MGM Casino carrying at least 1% traffic increase. The project total cost of \$1,140,000 is 100% eligible for the Community Mitigation Block Fund Grant. We are requesting the full amount of \$517,000 to fund this project. The support of the Community Mitigation Fund is crucial in assisting the Town with the success of this project. The Town has committed additional funds to cover the remaining cost of this project.

## II. Programmatic Requirement Variance Request:

A municipality may request a waiver from any application requirement. Municipal waivers will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and applicants will be notified of the Commission's decision.