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The agenda for this afternoon's meeting says "Business Stabilization and Recovery Recommendations to the Assembly"

the header of the attached document is "CBJ CARES Initial Funding Round Business Sustainability Grants"

I am unclear if the recommendations are the sustainability grants.

In any case, I think the "CBJ CARES Initial Funding Round Business Sustainability Grants" is off base from your task. From the charging document (emphasis my own:

"**Examine** federal and state government financial assistance programs and **identify** and **prioritize** any "gaps" that exist."

"Additionally, **explore** strategies that enable businesses and Juneau's economy to recover in the long term"

The document attached to the agenda for today's meeting, "CBJ CARES Initial Funding Round Business Sustainability Grants", is a specific spending plan that is far more than identifying or prioritizing a gap. Granted this could be called "Exploring a strategy", however in that case what's lacking is any sort of analysis about impacts with or without grants. I think this group is way too focused on offering a bailout without even attempting to forecast outcomes.