AGENDA

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP) COMMITTEE JUDGE E. MAURICE BRASWELL CUMBERLAND COUNTY COURTHOUSE- ROOM 564

SPECIAL MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2022 1:00 PM

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- 4. ITEMS OF BUSINESS
 - A. Request to Reallocate ARP Funding for the Robins Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing Project Due to Increased Construction Costs
- 5. UPDATES
 - A. Economic Equity Venture Capital Fund
- 6. OTHER ITEMS
- 7. ADJOURN



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MEMORANDUM FOR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN COMMITTEE AGENDA OF NOVEMBER 14, 2022

TO: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN COMMITTEE

FROM: DELORES TAYLOR, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

DATE: 11/14/2022

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO REALLOCATE ARP FUNDING FOR THE ROBINS MEADOW PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROJECT DUE TO INCREASED CONSTRUCTION COSTS

BACKGROUND

The state allocated approximately \$2.5 million of Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funding to build Permanent Supportive Housing with case management services. At the June 14, 2020 meeting, the Board of Commissioners approved the Design of the Robins Meadow project and Agreement for Construction Documents, Bidding and Construction Services. The Board approved contracting with The Wooten Company to provide the construction documents phase, bidding services and construction administration services of the Robins Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing Project. The Board received an update to this project on October 8, 2020, as the County had requested additional CDBG-DR funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 to cover construction and supportive services. The total budgeted amount for this project is \$3,011,124.00.

The Robins Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing Project consists of twelve new apartment units and a Community Resource Center that will house the resident manager. Case management and other supportive services will be provided to all Robins Meadow residents in this new Resource Center.

An RFP has been issued three times with no responsive bidders. Since receipt of CDBG-DR funds and the inability to secure a responsive bidder, the cost to build this supportive housing has increased due to market fluctuations. The original budget is no longer sufficient to cover the cost to build this housing project. The current projected cost is \$285 per square foot. Community Development has identified several companies that are currently interested in bidding on this project should another RFP be released.

We have been in communication with North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency (NCORR), and they

have provided a short timeline to move this project forward with the first deadline of identifying gap funding no later than November 30, 2022. If we are unable to secure additional funding, NCORR will de-obligate the allocated grant funding.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

Consider reallocating \$2.7 million in ARP dollars allocated to the Shaw Heights sewer project for the Robin's Meadow Permanent Supportive Housing Project to provide the funding needed to complete these additional housing units and resource center.



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TO: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN COMMITTEE

FROM: AMY H. CANNON, COUNTY MANAGER

DATE: 11/14/2022

SUBJECT: ECONOMIC EQUITY VENTURE CAPITAL FUND

BACKGROUND

Staff will provide an update at the November 14, 2022 ARP Committee Meeting.

RECOMMENDATION / PROPOSED ACTION

No action is required for informational purposes only.