



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Authority to advertise a public hearing to be held on June 21, 2016, regarding the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan for federal funding.

Recommended Action:

Authorize a public hearing to be held on June 21, 2016, to consider a resolution to approve the FY 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan for community planning and development programs funded with Federal grant funds.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

2.2 Be a facilitator, convener, and purchaser of services for those in need

2.4 Support programs that seek to prevent and remedy the causes of homelessness and move individuals and families from homelessness to permanent housing

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

4.2 Invest in communities that need the most

4.3 Catalyze redevelopment through planning and regulatory programs

4.4 Invest in infrastructure to meet current and future needs

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

Summary:

The purpose of the public hearing before the Board is to receive comments, suggestions, and views on the FY 2016-2017 Pinellas County Consolidated Application (Action Plan) for funding, prior to approval by the Board. Public notices informing interested groups about the planning process, the grants and proposed use of funds, a prior public hearing on needs and performance, meetings with local agencies and stakeholders, and a public comment period were also held soliciting input on this annual update to the Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

In accordance with 24 CFR 91, Pinellas County must submit an Annual Action Plan which identifies specific projects and activities to be undertaken each year to address the needs identified in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan and further the identified priorities and strategies. The Action Plan contains

the application for the Consortium's HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) and the County's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds.

The Pinellas County Consortium consists of Pinellas County in its capacity as the Urban County, joined by the City of Largo. The Urban County is defined as unincorporated Pinellas along with the following municipalities: Belleair, Belleair Bluff, Belleair Beach, Dunedin, Indian Shores, Indian Rocks Beach, Kenneth City, Madeira Beach, North Redington Beach, Oldsmar, Pinellas Park, Redington Shores, Safety Harbor, St. Pete Beach, Seminole, South Pasadena, Tarpon Springs, and Treasure Island. As lead agency for the Consortium, Pinellas County is responsible for preparation and transmittal of the Consortium's Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The deadline for submission of the FY 2016-2017 Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is August 14, 2016. The recommended public hearing date of June 21, 2016 allows sufficient time to prepare the materials necessary for submission.

Background:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

Pinellas County receives an annual entitlement allocation of federal CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. In FY 2016-2017, Pinellas County will receive the following allocations:

\$2,475,418	CDBG Entitlement
\$ 700,000	CDBG Anticipated Program Income
\$1,045,688	HOME Entitlement
\$ 600,000	HOME Anticipated Program Income
\$ 216,740	<u>ESG Entitlement</u>
\$5,037,846	Total Federal Funds

Staff Member Responsible:

Renea Vincent, Director, Planning

Partners:

Catholic Charities, Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc.
City of Gulfport
City of Pinellas Park
Clearwater Free Clinic, Inc.
Community Service Foundation, Inc.
Directions for Mental Health, Inc. d/b/a Directions for Living
Florida Dream Center, Inc.
Gulfcoast Legal Services, Inc.
Homeless Emergency Project, Inc., d/b/a Homeless Empowerment Program

Lighthouse of Pinellas, Inc.

PARC, Inc.

Pinellas Opportunity Council, Inc.

Religious Community Services, Inc.

The Local Community Housing Corporation

WestCare GulfCoast-Florida, Inc.

Young Men's Christian Association of Suncoast, Inc.

City of Clearwater - May jointly fund Clearwater Free Clinic Project

City of Largo - HOME Consortium Member and May jointly fund WestCare Project

City of St. Petersburg - May jointly fund WestCare Project

Attachments:

Notice of Public Hearing

Draft 2016-2017 Action Plan

2016-2017 Proposed Projects