

Hallandale Beach Community Redevelopment Agency Agenda Cover Memo

Meeting Date:	April 22, 2019		Item Type: (Enter X in box)	Resolution x	Ordinance		Other	
Fiscal Impact: (Enter X in box)	Yes No		Ordinance Reading:		1 st Reading		2 nd Reading	
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	x		Public Hearing: (Enter X in box)		Yes	No X	Yes	No
Funding Source:	5910-58340-99638		Advertising Requirement: (Enter X in box)		Yes No			
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Account Balance:	\$258,000		RFP/RFQ/Bid Number:		N/A			
Contract/P.O.	Yes No							
Required: (Enter X in box)			Project Number :		N/A			
Strategic Priority: (Enter X in box) Capital Improvements Goal 1 - Undertake Total Improvements of Public Realm Goal 2 - Promote Public/Public and Public/Private Partnership Promote Projects with Large-Scale Impacts Goal 1 - Issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for NW infill Housing Goal 2 - Issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Dixie Highway/Foster Road parcel Priority Area: North West Quadrant FEC Corridor Southwest Quadrant Northeast Quadrant								
Sponsor Name:	Dr. Jerer	my Earle	Department:		HBCRA			

Short Title:

A RESOLUTION OF CHAIR AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HALLANDALE BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING THE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM MINI GRANT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE ALL STEPS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE TO IMPLEMENT THE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM MINI GRANT PROGRAM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Summary:

Background:

The primary mission of the Hallandale Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (HBCRA) is to eliminate slum and blighted conditions throughout the Community Redevelopment Area (CRA). One of the ways the HBCRA accomplishes this goal is through the Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP). The NIP is a CRA funded program which assists residents with exterior the renovations of their homes. Through the NIP, the HBCRA has significantly impacted and improved housing conditions in throughout the CRA Area.

The NIP offers two (2) types of funding: the first type of funding is in the form of a grant which is one hundred percent (100%) forgivable after four years. The second type of funding is in the form of loan with a loan repayment option of 40%, 60% or 100% of the loan amount depending on the applicant's income. Whether funding is in the form of a grant or loan, the HBCRA will record a mortgage on the property which secures the grant or loan funds in the event that the property is either sold or foreclosed on.

Despite the success of the NIP, it has not reached every segment of the population, particularly the elderly. In order to better understand the concerns of the elderly within our community, the HBCRA conducted drive through audits, and spoke to various residents including seniors and community leaders. Staff learned that there were many seniors in our community living in very difficult housing conditions. These conditions included such things as broken gates, damaged roofs, overgrown landscaping, housing foundation issues, and much more. By speaking with the community, HBCRA Staff determined that there was a need to create a completely new program specifically designed to help our vulnerable senior population.

Current Situation:

The HBCRA has identified the need to further assist our vulnerable senior population with much needed home repairs. To address this need, the HBCRA proposes the creation of a NIP Mini Grant Program. The NIP Mini Grant would be similar in scope the NIP but on a smaller scale. The funding for the NIP Mini Grant will not exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per applicant. For the current fiscal year, the HBCRA has budgeted sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) towards the program.

The criteria of the NIP Mini Grant are as follows:

- 1. Eligible Uses Similar to the NIP, with addition interior repairs (to be evaluated on a case by case basis).
- 2. Age Requirements Seniors 70 years or older.
- 3. Grant Amount Up to \$10,000 dollars per applicant.
- 4. Homestead Requirement Owner- Occupied.
- 5. Household Income 50% AMI or below (as reflected in the Broward County Income Chart).

Fiscal Impact:

The fiscal impact for the NIP Mini Grant for seniors would be \$60,000.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the HBCRA Executive Director to adopt a NIP Mini Grant Program for seniors 70 years and older, for up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per applicant and; to execute all necessary documents related to this program.

Why Action is Necessary:

The Hallandale Beach CRA Board of Directors sets the policies of the Community Redevelopment Agency. In order to ensure greater transparency and accountability, Staff recommends combining the policy and application for the NIP Mini Grant Program into one document.

Attachment(s):

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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