

Legislation Text

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Amendment to the FY 2008-2009 CDBG and HOME Annual Action Plan (NB)

This is a request for the City Commission to approve a fourth amendment to the FY 2008-09 CDBG and HOME Annual Action Plan to allow for the CDBG-R funds to be allocated to additional CDBG Target areas of Gainesville.

The City of Gainesville received \$371,033 in CDBG-R Program funding from HUD through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) that was signed into law on February 17, 2009, and appropriated funding for measures that will modernize our nation's infrastructure, enhance energy independence, expand educational opportunities, preserve and improve affordable health care, provide tax relief and protect those in greatest need. The CDBG-R Program funding is a separate allocation from the regular, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funds that the City of Gainesville receives on an annual basis from HUD. The CDBG-R funds were allocated for the development of the One Stop Homeless Assistance Center as approved by the City Commission, on May 7, 2009 (Legislative File #081017) as a second amendment to the CDBG and HOME Annual Action Plan.

On December 3, 2009 (Legislative File #090585), the City Commission approved the third amendment to the FY 2008-2009 CDBG and HOME Annual Action Plan to reallocate the CDBG-R funds program funds from the One Stop Homeless Assistance Center project to the Public Works Department to fund a public infrastructure project, the Booker T Washington Subdivision Roadway and Drainage Improvement project located between N. E. 8th and 10th Avenues, and 15th and 16th Terraces to provide roadway pavement restoration/reconstruction with concrete curbs & gutter, including a stormwater management system.

The purpose of this fourth Amendment is to allow the City of Gainesville to reallocate funds to utilize the entire CDBG-R program funds in the amount of \$371,003 by September 30, 2012 as required by HUD. Presently, Public Works has contracted to spend \$173,701.40 in the Booker T. Washington Subdivision Roadway and Drainage Improvement project on specific street addresses in this area. This amendment is to include the following program activities: 1) broaden the area scope of the project to include the entire Booker T. Washington Subdivision roadway and drainage improvements project; 2) include funding for park improvements in CDBG Target Areas; and/or 3) expend up to ten percent of the total allocation for general program administration.

This Amendment will have no adverse impact on any projects and activities currently funded in the FY 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan. All of the elements of the City's current FY 2008-2009 are hereby incorporated into this Amendment.

None. This would equate to an equal transfer of the CDBG and CDBG-R funding for these two projects. CDBG-R funding in the amount of \$371,003 would be reallocated to the Booker T Washington Subdivision Roadway and Drainage Improvement project; and then regular CDBG funds in the amount of \$371,003 would be reallocated from Public Works projects to the One-Stop Homeless Center.

The City Commission: 1) approve the fourth amendment to the FY 2008-2009 CDBG and HOME Program Annual Action Plan; and 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to prepare and submit the fourth amendment to the FY 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department and Urban Development (HUD) for approval.