

RESOLUTION TITLE: TO AUTHORIZE THE PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT - NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION (CDBG-NR) APPLICATION TO THE NC DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR UP TO \$750,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REHABILITATING 15 OWNER-OCCUPIED HOMES AND TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO AN AD HOC COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION HOUSING SELECTION COMMITTEE AS A PART OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS (CONTINGENT UPON GRANT APPROVAL)

- WHEREAS, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners have previously indicated its desire to assist in community development efforts for housing within the County; and,
- WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners held two public hearings concerning the proposed application for Community Development Block Grant funding to benefit Gaston County Community Development Scattered Site Housing Project; and,
- WHEREAS, the first Public Hearing was held on May 28, 2019 to receive public comments; the second Public Hearing was held on June 25, 2019; and,
- WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes the County to pursue a formal application for Community Development Block Grant funding to benefit the Gaston County Community Development Scattered Site Housing Project; and,
- WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners certifies it will meet all federal regulatory and statutory requirements of the State of North Carolina Community Development Block Grant Program; and,
- WHEREAS, a local unit of government applying for a CDBG-NR Grant must organize a Housing Selection Committee and ensure that the Committee is formed and administered appropriately. The CDBG-NR Housing Selection Committee (members serve a term beginning upon award of the Grant and extending through the 30-month Grant implementation period); and,
- WHEREAS, the Committee is responsible for determining, developing and implementing a process for selecting houses to be rehabilitated with grant funds. The Committee must hold meetings and maintain meeting minutes as part of the selection process. Meeting minutes must be adopted and maintained as part of the beneficiary selection process; and,

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- WHEREAS, the Committee is charged with assessing the current and future Scattered Site Housing Program recipients based on the rated and ranked list of applicants that is prepared on behalf of the project to ensure that the County assists citizens based on needs. The Committee serves as an advisory body to Gaston County on all matters related to the County's selection process for the CDBG-NR - Scattered Site Housing Program. The Committee members consist of Gaston County representatives, representatives from local jurisdictions within Gaston County, and representatives from organizations that currently assist low and moderate income persons within the County.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners that the County is authorized to submit a formal application to the North Carolina Department of Commerce for approval of a Community Development Block Grant for the North Carolina Neighborhood Program to benefit the Gaston County Community Development Scattered Site Housing Project.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes the Community Development Block Grant Neighborhood Revitalization Housing Selection Committee (contingent upon grant approval), authorizes the Clerk to the Board to make the necessary revisions to the County Appointment Records and approves the appointment of the following members, namely:

Name	Municipality	Title/Position		
Jeff Hawkins	Cherryville	Zoning Administrator		
Tiffany Faro	Dallas	Development Services Director		
Melissa Lockamy	Belmont	Community Planner		
Vincent Wong	Gastonia	Director of Community Services		
Josh Watkins	Cramerton	Planning Director		
Mikel Graham	Bessemer City	Intern		
Brian DuPont	Mount Holly	Assistant Planning Director		

Adopted this the 25th day of June, 2019 in Gaston County, North Carolina.

Chairman, Gaston County Board or Commissioners



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Budget and Purchasing

Board Action

File #: 19-244

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STAFF CONTACT

Pat Laws - Budget and Purchasing - 704- 866-3771

BUDGET IMPACT

No County funds.

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N/A

BACKGROUND

NC Neighborhood Revitalization Program Public Hearings:

A public hearing was held on May 28, 2019 to receive citizen input relating to the housing, community and economic development needs of low and moderate income individuals residing in Gaston County and the proposed application to the NC Department of Commerce for a 2019 Community Development Block Grant under the NC Neighborhood Revitalization Program.

A second public hearing will be held on June 25, 2019. The County is specifically planning to apply for a Neighborhood Revitalization Program Community Development Block Grant under the NC Department of Commerce in the amount of \$750,000 to rehabilitate approximately 15 qualifying homes scattered across the county.

Citizens are invited to provide oral and written comment on the County's past and proposed use of CDBG funds at the public hearing.

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The North Carolina Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NC Neighborhood) offers a non-entitlement county the opportunity to tailor a project to meet the community development needs specific and most critical to their locality for low-and moderate-income residents.

North Carolina received approximately \$47.9 million in CDBG funds for 2018. Of this amount, approximately \$10.0 million will be made available for the NC Neighborhood Program. The state makes these funds available through awarding grants to non-entitlement governments throughout North Carolina.

Ad Hoc CDBG-NR Housing Selection Committee

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Citizens who have agreed to serve on the Committee are the following:

This board action hereby establishes the Community Development Block Grant Neighborhood Revitalization Housing Selection Committee and approves the appointment of the above members. The Clerk to the Board is authorized to make the necessary revisions to the County appointment records (contingent upon grant approval).

POLICY IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution