

TO:	Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
FROM:	Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager
DATE:	July 2, 2013
TITLE:	Proposed HUD Annual Action Plan for FY 2013-2014

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission take the following action concerning the 2013 – 2014 HUD Annual Action Plan:

- 1. Convene the public hearing and accept public input,
- 2. Approve the 2013-2014 Annual Action Plan,
- 3. Approve the expansion of the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA),
- 4. Approve the appropriation of funding for the 2013-2014 awards, and
- 5. Authorize the proper City officials to submit the 2013-2014 Annual Action Plan to HUD for approval.

Background

Each year, the City of Fort Lauderdale is required to submit an Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order to continue receiving funding for the City's Entitlement Grant Programs through HUD. Those programs include the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS Program (HOPWA).

The draft Annual Action Plan was presented at the June 18, 2013 Commission Conference meeting. Based on the direction received at that meeting, we have attached **Exhibit 1** outlining fiscal year 2013-2014 funding awards. Additionally, the corresponding CDBG Performance Indicators are attached as **Exhibit 2**.

At the June 18, 2013, staff was directed to remove the following CDBG funding requests from consideration in the 2013/2014 Annual Action Plan:

- **Broward County, Family Success Center** (the request was supported by County staff) \$50,000
- **Pinnacle at Tarpon River** \$500,000

After removing these two requests, the CDBG requests still exceeded the available funding by \$75,899.37. Therefore, staff was further directed to present a scenario that shows an equal funding reduction of \$25,299.79 to the following agencies:

- **Mt. Bethel Human Services** the adjusted funding award for FY 2013-2014 will be \$194,700.21.
- Housing Enterprises of Fort Lauderdale the adjusted funding award for FY 2013-2014 will be \$224,700.21.
- **Public Works Department** the adjusted funding award for FY 2013-2014 will be \$474,700.21.

The Housing Enterprises of Fort Lauderdale (HEFL) has requested approval to expand the NRSA boundary area. The current NRSA boundary is Sunrise Boulevard to Broward Boulevard; I-95 to NW 7th Avenue. The current boundary covers Lincoln Park, Sistrunk, Dorsey-Riverbend and Dorsey Heights Areas (see **Exhibit 3**). The proposed expansion will include all the eligible CDBG areas the current eligible neighborhoods and would add the following neighborhoods:

- City View
- Dillard Park (certain portion)
- Durrs
- Flagler Heights
- Golden Heights
- Lake Aire-Palm View
- Lauderdale Manors
- Melrose Manors

- Middle River Terrace
- Progresso Village
- Riverside Park
- Riverland
- Rock Island
- Shady Banks
- South Middle River
- Sweeting Estates

HUD regulations require that the NRSA areas be contiguous. This request is consistent with the CDBG eligible area map (*based on the 2010 Census*) (see **Exhibit 4**). As such, City staff is in support of the NRSA expansion.

Resource Impact

Funding is provided through the Department of Housing & Urban Development and it has no impact on the General Fund.

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Proposed Budget and Narrative Summary

Exhibit 2 – Recommended Performance Indicators

Exhibit 3 – Current NRSA Eligible Area

Exhibit 4 – Current CDBG Eligibility Map

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