



TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 16, 2014

TITLE: Resolution approving amendments to the 2013-2016 Local Housing
Assistance Plan (LHAP)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution approving amendments to the 2013-2016 State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program LHAP, and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents associated with the proposed amendments.

Background

The LHAP is a three year plan that outlines the local housing assistance and incentive strategies adopted by the City. The plan outlines how SHIP funds are to be spent to preserve and maintain affordable housing in the City of Fort Lauderdale. To be eligible for SHIP funding for a state fiscal year, the City must submit and receive approval of LHAP and amendments of the LHAP as provided in Rule 67-37.006, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) Revisions are being proposed to the 2013-2016 LHAP in order to increase the maximum award amount for Housing Rehabilitation Activities. This amendment will ensure that adequate funds are available to repair owner occupied homes thereby preserving affordable housing opportunities in the City and to provide for home repairs for the elderly and disabled households.

Staff proposes the following two amendments to the 2013-2016 LHAP:

1. Increase the maximum award for rehabilitation from \$40,000.00 to up to \$60,000.00.
2. The Housing Rehabilitation/Replacement Housing Strategy shall grant preference to the elderly (62 and older) and disabled persons for home repairs.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact with these amendments.

Strategic Connections

This item corresponds to the Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative; it is included within the Neighborhood Enhancement Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing Neighborhood Enhancement:

Goal 5: Be a community of strong, beautiful, and healthy neighborhoods.

Option 2: Ensure a range of housing options for current and future neighbors.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035: We are Community*.

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 - Revised 2013-2016 Local Housing Assistance Plan

Exhibit 2 - Revised Housing Delivery Goal Chart for 2013-2014

Exhibit 3 - Revised Housing Delivery Goal Chart for 2014-2015

Exhibit 4 - Revised Housing Delivery Goal Chart for 2015-2016

Exhibit 5 - Resolution

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