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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Chris Lagerbloom, City Manager

**DATE**: November 5, 2019

**TITLE**: Motion to Amend the Local Housing Assistance Plan for Fiscal Years 2013-

2016, for the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program - (Commission

**Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)** 

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve an amendment to the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program's (SHIP) Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) for Fiscal Years 2013-2016 and to authorize the City manager to execute any associated documents.

# **Background**

The LHAP is a three-year plan that outlines the local housing assistance and incentive strategies adopted by the City. This plan outlines how SHIP funds are to be spent to preserve and maintain affordable housing. To be eligible for SHIP funding for a state fiscal year, a county or eligible municipality is required to submit and receive approval of its local housing assistance plan and amendments thereto as provided in Rule 67.37.006, Florida Administrative Code.

Staff proposes that the maximum award amount for the Special Needs Barrier-Free Housing Strategy be increased from \$55,000.00 to \$60,000.00. The change can be found on page 21 item d of the amended LHAP. Exhibit 1

The requested amendment to the Fiscal Years 2013-2016 LHAP will correct discrepancies identified during the monitoring and compliance review conducted by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation in September of 2019 and ensure that the City is compliant with the LHAP strategies.

#### **Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

## **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Fiscal Year 2020 Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, advancing the

Affordable Housing: Incentives

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Neighborhood Enhancement Focus Area
- Goal 4: Build a thriving and inclusive community of neighborhoods.
- Objective: Affordable Housing Incentives

This item advances the Fast-Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Here.

## Attachment

Exhibit 1 - 2013-2016 LHAP amended on November 5, 2019

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