



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#20-0818

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE October 20, 2020

TITLE: Motion Accepting Second Round Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Funds
and Using the Services of Housing Foundation of America, Inc., to Process
the Intake for the Rental and Mortgage Assistance Program - **(Commission
Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City commission approve a motion accepting additional CRF Funds in an amount up to \$436,500, approving, and authorizing execution of a First Amendment to Agreement Number 115-2020 with the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; and an Amended and Restated Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Sub-Grantee Agreement with Housing Foundation of America, Inc., in substantially the forms attached.

Background

The State of Florida has been awarded funds pursuant to, section 601(d) of the Social Security Act, as amended by section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, passed on March 27, 2020.

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) received \$120 million for distribution to eligible State Housing Incentives Partnership (SHIP) jurisdictions. The City of Fort Lauderdale will receive up to \$436,500 to administer eligible and allowable housing activities as defined by the Coronavirus Relief Fund Subrecipient Agreement. The City was awarded a first round of funding and a program was approved, described in CAM #20-0606, on August 18, 2020 (Exhibit 1). At mentioned date, the City entered into a Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Sub-Grantee Agreement with Housing Foundation of America, Inc.

The fee to Housing Foundation of America, Inc., for support services will be approximately \$33,000, for purposes of processing up to 50 applications and reviewing up 100 applications.

The total CRF funds of \$436,500 will be utilized as follows:

- Rent/ Utility Assistance: \$321,025

- Mortgage / utility assistance and project delivery fees \$50,000
- Project delivery \$21,825
- Program Administration \$43,650

Distribution of first round funding is outlined in CAM #20-0606, Exhibit 1.

Resource Impact

Proposed action will result in a positive impact to the City in the amount of \$436,500, which will be appropriated to the accounts below contingent upon the approval of the motion to accept the additional funds.

Source:

<i>Funds available as of September 25, 2020</i>					
Account Number	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)
130-GCARE20SH-C136	FHFC CARES Act Relief - Coronavirus Relief Fund	Intergovernmental Revenue/ CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund Pass Thru	\$727,500	\$727,500	\$436,500.00
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$436,500.00

USE:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
130-GCARE20SH-8001	FHFC CARES Act Relief - Coronavirus Relief Fund	Grant Services/ Program Funds	\$0	\$0	\$392,850.00
130-SH20CRFADM - 8001	SHIP HCD- CRF Administration	Grant Services/ Program Funds	\$24,750	\$24,750	\$10,650.00
130-SH20CRF03 - 8001	SHIP Housing Foundation - CRF Administration	Grant Services/ Program Funds	\$48,000	\$48,000	\$33,000.00
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$436,500.00

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2024 initiative*, specifically *advancing*:

- The Neighborhood Enhancement Focus Area
- Goal 4: Build a thriving and inclusive community of neighborhoods.
- Objective: Ensure a range of affordable housing options

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – CAM 20-0606 from August 18, 2020

Exhibit 2 – Public Notice

Exhibit 3 – First Amendment to Agreement Number 115-2020

Exhibit 4 – Amended and Restated Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Sub-Grantee Agreement

Exhibit 5 – Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Sub-Grantee Agreement

Exhibit 6 – Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Subrecipient Agreement

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