

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BRIEFING
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MEETING DATE: JULY 2, 2020

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: _____

1A - 1D

- SUBJECT: A. PUBLIC HEARING ON AN APPLICATION FOR A 2020 NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FROM THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**
- B. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR A 2020 NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) TO PROVIDE HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES AND THE EXTENSION OF A PUBLIC WATER LINE**
- (COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

The Community and Economic Development Department is preparing a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Neighborhood Revitalization Grant application in the amount of \$750,000. This grant will help finance the extension of a water line for 2.5 miles to serve 25 low/moderate-income households in a neighborhood adjacent to the Town of Rural Hall. The plan also involves providing rehabilitation services to between 5-10 homes owned and occupied by low/moderate income households within the neighborhood. The cost of the total project is preliminarily estimated to be up to \$3,020,000. Total funding sources being sought for this project will include the following:

CDBG-NR	\$ 750,000	
CDBG I Funds	\$ 2,000,000	
Local HOME Funds	\$ 90,000	over 2 years
ESFR NC Housing Finance Agency	\$ 100,000	over 2 years
CDBG Program Income	\$ 80,000	
TOTAL	\$ 3,020,000	

This second public hearing is being held to receive input from the community. The Department has executed a contract with an engineer to provide a more precise estimate of project costs. This estimate will be delivered before the second public hearing.

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: _____

COUNTY MANAGER

DATE: _____

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE
NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR A 2020
NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) TO PROVIDE HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES
AND THE EXTENSION OF A PUBLIC WATER LINE
(COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)**

WHEREAS residents along Highway 65 east of Rural Hall do not have access to public water, which damages their quality of life and lowers their house values;

WHEREAS the Forsyth County Community and Economic Development Department is proposing to provide public water service to 25 low- or moderate-income households by constructing an extension of an 8-inch public water line along Highway 65 (Rural Hall-Germanton Rd) extending east from the town limits of Rural Hall for approximately 2.5 miles and terminating at Abshire Road; and

WHEREAS, in order to fund this construction, the Department plans to pursue various sources of funds, and seeks to submit an application to the North Carolina Department of Commerce for a 2020 Neighborhood Revitalization Program Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$750,000 which will be used to provide housing rehabilitation services to between 5-10 low- or moderate-income households, as well as provide partial financing for the extension of a 8-inch public water line along Highway 65;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman or the County Manager and Clerk to the Board or their designees to submit a grant application to the North Carolina Department of Commerce for a 2020 Neighborhood Revitalization Program Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$750,000 to provide housing rehabilitation services to between 5-10 low- or moderate-income households, as well as the extension of a public water line, subject to a pre-audit certificate thereon by the County Chief Financial Officer, if applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

Adopted this 2nd day of July 2020.

(to be published in the WSJ June 19, 2020 in nonlegal section)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Thursday, July 2, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. The public hearing will be conducted remotely, as allowed by the Board's Remote Participation Policy during this state of emergency.

There will be no meeting place where members of the public can be physically present. The Meeting will be broadcast live at 2:00 p.m. on local cable channel WSTV 13-The Government Channel, http://winston-salem.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?publish_id=29 and <https://vimeo.com/forsythcountync>.

The County plans to apply for a 2020 Neighborhood Revitalization Program Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the NC Department of Commerce. This is the second public hearing that is required under the CDBG requirements. The grant will be used to provide housing rehabilitation services for low and moderate income homeowners and finance an extension of an 8" public water line along Highway 65 (Rural Hall-Germanton Rd) extending east from the town limits of Rural Hall for approximately 2.5 miles and terminating at Abshire Road. This area is located adjacent to the town limits of Rural Hall. The County will be applying for a grant in the amount of \$750,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$3,020,000. A summary of the grant application can be reviewed by contacting Daniel Kornelis at (336) 703-2683 or korneldw@forsyth.cc.

All interested citizens are encouraged to provide comments on the request prior to its submission to the NC Department of Commerce. If you wish to speak, please call 336-422-1200 at 1:45 p.m on July 2, 2020. You will be placed on hold, and you will be recognized to speak during the public hearing in the order your call was received.

Language translators and accommodations for the disabled are available upon request, 24 –hours prior to the hearing. For hearing impaired (TDD/TTY) services, call Relay North Carolina 24-hours a day, seven days a week at 7-1-1, or Toll-Free at (800) 676-3777. This information is available in Spanish or any other language upon request. Please call (336) 703-2683 for accommodations for this request. Esta información está disponible en español o en cualquier otro idioma a pedido. Comuníquese con al (336) 703-2683 para acomodaciones para esta solicitud.

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Ashleigh M. Sloop, Clerk to the Board