



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 8.

DATE OF MEETING: January 19, 2010

REQUESTED BY: Patrick Davenport, Director of Planning and Community Development

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Authorizing Request for Proposals Solicitation for FY10 CDBG-Community Revitalization Application

BACKGROUND: Pender County has an opportunity to apply for up to \$850,000 in CDBG Community Revitalization (CR) funds in 2010. The CDBG program in North Carolina is funded with an annual federal HUD appropriation and is managed by the NC Division of Community Assistance in Raleigh. Pender County recently completed an FY04 CDBG Community Revitalization project and is currently involved in an FY08 CDBG Scattered Site project that involves housing improvement activities similar to those that would be completed in a CDBG-CR project, so the county staff has recent experience with CDBG housing and public works activities.

A CDBG-CR project generally involves housing and water/sewer/streets/drainage activities in one or two "target areas" including a total of 12-15 substandard housing units. Typically, housing units are rehabilitated or demolished depending on their condition, and occupants of demolished dilapidated housing units are relocated into standard housing (either on site or in a new location). A competitive project would include the following elements:

- High percentage of low-income households
- High incidence of severely deteriorated housing
- Multiple public works needs (failing septic tanks, contaminated water wells, undersized public utilities, dirt roads, etc.)
- Commitment of other funds (county general fund/utility funds/third-party sources)

Staff requests the Board consider approving preparation and solicitation of a Request for Proposals (RFP) to select a professional planning or engineering firm to complete an FY10 CDBG-CR application for Pender County. If the project is not funded this year, there is a very good probability that the application could be re-submitted and funded at no expense in 2011. The projected application deadline is September 1, 2010.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To consider a resolution authorizing the preparation and solicitation of a Request for Proposals for the preparation of a FY10 CDBG-Community Revitalization Grant Application.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

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RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that:

the Board hereby authorizes the preparation and solicitation of a Request for Proposals for the preparation of a CDBG-Community Revitalization Grant Application for FY10. The Chairman/County Manager is authorized to execute any/all documents necessary to implement this resolution.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS

YEA VOTES: Tate ___ Blanchard ___ Brown ___ Rivenbark ___ Williams ___

Jimmy T. Tate, Chairman

Date

ATTEST

Date