



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 17.

DATE OF MEETING: August 15, 2011

REQUESTED BY: Chris May, Director-Cape Fear Council of Governments

SHORT TITLE: Public Hearing and Resolution Regarding Pender County's Intent to Apply for Community Development Block Grant Funding

BACKGROUND: The Board recently agreed to participate with the Cape Fear Council of Governments to consider an application for Community Block Grant Funds (CDBG) to develop a regional Community Economic Development Strategy (CEDs). This is part of a statewide initiative to have consistent CEDs within regions and statewide. The CDBG program guidelines provide for a two step public hearing process prior to application for funding. An initial public hearing is required to solicit public input regarding potential CDBG projects and funding. A second public hearing is required to solicit public input on the specific CDBG project for which the County proposes to apply for funding.

The first public hearing was held August 1, 2011, and no public feedback was received. The second public hearing is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Mr. May will provide the Board and public with a recommendation regarding submission of a CDBG application to develop a regional Community Economic Development Strategy (CEDs).

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To conduct a public hearing to solicit public input from citizens regarding the proposal to submit a CDBG application for the CEDs; and to consider a resolution authorizing submission of the CEDs CDBG application.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

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Initial

RESOLUTION

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

the Board hereby authorizes submission of a CDBG grant application for development of a regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy in collaboration with the Cape Fear Council of Governments. The Chairman/County Manager is authorized to execute any/all documents necessary to implement this resolution.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS

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

George R. Brown, Chairman Date

ATTEST Date