



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 9.

DATE OF MEETING: October 17, 2012

REQUESTED BY: Judith Herring, Housing Director

SHORT TITLE: Resolution accepting the NC Tomorrow Plan and Authorizing the Chairman to submit the Plan to the NC Commerce Department to satisfy CDBG grant requirements

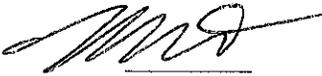
BACKGROUND: The County has received \$50,000 in CDBG grant funds for the NC Tomorrow program. The Board previously voted to allow the County to act as host for this program which will be administered by Cape Fear Council of Governments.

The plan is complete and a copy of the plan must be submitted to the North Carolina Department of Commerce in order to satisfy the grant requirements. A cover letter from the Cape Fear Council of Governments and a copy of the plan are attached hereto.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To pass a resolution accepting the NC Tomorrow Plan and authorize the submission of the plan to the NC Department of Commerce.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.


Initial

RESOLUTION

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

the NC Tomorrow Plan is hereby accepted and the Chairman or his designee is authorized to submit the plan to the NC Department of Commerce as required to satisfy the grant requirements.

The Chairman and County Manager are authorized to execute any/all documents necessary to implement this resolution.

AMENDMENTS: None

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS

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

George R. Brown, Chairman Date

ATTEST Date



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Date: September 27, 2012
To: George Brown, Chairman
From: Chris May, Executive Director

Subject: Cape Fear Region NC Tomorrow Plan

On behalf of Cape Fear Council of Governments and our member local governments I am pleased to present the Cape Fear Region NC Tomorrow Plan to the Board of Commissioners. Since last fall when Pender County served as lead applicant for the region and received \$50,000 in funding from the North Carolina Department of Commerce, our team has assembled the goals, objectives and strategies that you see in the plan that accompanies this memo.

Dozens of individuals, local governments, stakeholders and partner organizations offered ideas and informed the process. With the help of a 28-member Advisory Committee, our staff team refined the ideas into the priority strategies that are contained in the final plan. The Cape Fear region's strategies have been largely included in the Southeastern Economic Development Commission's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, prepared to guide the federal Economic Development Administration (EDA) investment decisions in our wider region. It is our expectation that our NC Tomorrow Plan will also be used as a framework for investments and funding decisions by other federal and state agencies.

We will be available at your October 15 meeting to answer any questions concerning the content of the Cape Fear Region NC Tomorrow Plan or the process that our team used to prepare it. Let me thank you and your fellow commissioners for agreeing to host the state grant that made this planning effort possible. Let me also express our appreciation to Dr. Mickey Duvall and his staff colleagues, especially Judy Herring, for their role in helping administer the grant.

cc. Dr. M. Duvall
J. Herring

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