

Open Work Session

May 2, 2017

FY18 Community Development Block Grant Housing Rehabilitation

Ms. Lori Carter, Deputy Director of Planning, Zoning and Community Development came before Council. Ms. Carter said she was submitting a request on behalf of the Department of Planning and Zoning for FY18 funding under the Community Development Block Grant. She said they would like to request \$350,000 to continue their Housing Rehab Program. She said that will involve \$260,000 for rehabs; \$45,000 for Emergency Repairs; \$10,000 for Relocation Assistance; and \$25,000 for Project Administration. Ms. Carter said they would also like to provide assistance to the Shore Housing Resource Board in the amount of \$10,000. Ms. Carter said the actual application is due on May 31, 2017, which they will have completed on May 22, 2017 in case someone would like to review it. Ms. Carter said the County hopes to be able to assist a total of 15 households. She said if they leverage that, they will possibly be able to assist at least 25 households, total. Ms. Carter said it is their standard package that they would submit. She said she would also like to add that they will need to be scheduled for a public hearing on May 16, 2017. Mr. Joe Holloway asked, on these grants where you help rehab homes for people, is there anything done to assure that they are not sold right away, to which Ms. Carter responded that they have in the agreement they cannot sell for up to ten years. Mr. Joe Holloway clarified that it locks the property owners in, to which Ms. Carter responded, yes. Ms. Carter said for instance, if something should come up in that the property owner would have to sell, then they would have to pay the County back up to 75%, but it would have to be a very unusual circumstance. Mr. Dodd asked if these were for owner occupied homes, he clarified the owner is not allowed to rent them if it has been rehabbed, to which Ms. Carter clarified, no, strictly for home ownership.

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