

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 10/7/2014
Reference No.: CR-080-2014
Draft No.: 1
Proposer(s): County Executive
Sponsor(s): Lehman, Olson, Franklin, Campos, Davis, Patterson
Item Title: A Resolution for the purpose of approving the application submitted by CASA de Maryland, Inc. to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Community Legacy Program

Drafter: Eric C. Brown, Director, DCHD
Resource Personnel: Eric C. Brown, Director

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:		Executive Action:	10/17/2014 S
Committee Referral:	9/2/2014 - THE	Effective Date:	
Committee Action:	9/25/2014 - FAV		
Date Introduced:	9/2/2014		
Public Hearing:			
Council Action (1)	10/7/2014 - ADOPTED		
Council Votes:	WC:A, DLD:A, MRF:A, AH:A, ML:A, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:A		
Pass/Fail:	P		
Remarks:			

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee

Date 9/25/2014

Committee Vote: Favorable, 3-0 (In favor: Council Members Davis, Olson, and Campos)

Staff provided a summary of the resolution and referral comments that were received. CR-80-2014 concerns the purpose of expressing approval of the project submitted by Casa de Maryland, Inc. (CASA), whose mission is to improve the social, economic well-being and quality of life for the Latino and immigrant community in Maryland. This tax credit, in the amount of \$131,264.11, will provide technology upgrades to the Langley Park Internet Hotspot project and the Langley Park Multicultural Center. This project will provide an internet hotspot covering a two block radius surrounding the organization's Multicultural Center providing internet access to thousands of disadvantaged households. The application is being submitted to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Legacy Program.

Eric Brown, Director, Department of Housing and Community Development, and Robert D'Amato, CASA, provided testimony in support of the resolution.

The Office of Law determined that CR-80-2014 was in proper legislative form and without legal impediments to its

adoption.

The Office of Audits and Investigation indicated there will be no adverse fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CR-80-2014.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

CASA de Maryland, Inc. (“CASA”) submitted its application to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for approximately \$131,264.11 in Community Legacy Program funds to carry out its Somos Langley Park Internet Hotspot Project (the “Project”). The Project will create an internet hotspot to bridge the digital divide for thousands of low-income families in Langley Park. The Project will establish and implement this internet hotspot covering a two-block radius surrounding CASA’s Multicultural Center and offer services to thousands of disadvantaged households.

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