Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 5/12/2009 **Reference No.:** CR-018-2009

Draft No.:

Proposer(s): County Executive **Sponsor(s):** Bland, Dean

Item Title: A Resolution amending the Prince George's County "Annual Action Plan: FY 2009" to serve

as the application for funding under the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing

Program.

Drafter: James E. Johnson,, DHCD **Resource Personnel:** Shirley E. Grant, DHCD

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: Executive Action: 5/14/2009 S **Committee Referral:** 5/12/2009 - C.O.W. **Effective Date:** 5/12/2009

Committee Action: 5/12/2009 - FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 5/12/2009

Public Hearing:

Council Action (1) 5/12/2009 - ADOPTED

Council Votes: MB:A, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:-, AH:A, TK:A, EO:A, IT:A

Pass/Fail:

Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Date 5/12/2009

Committee vote: favorable with amendment to the attachment (8-0). (In Favor: Council Members Bland, Campos, Dean, Dernoga, Harrison, Knotts, Olson and Turner - Not present: Exum).

The Legislative Officer provided orientation to the Committee on CR-16-2009, a substantial amendment to the FY 2009 Annual Action Plan, and the County's application for \$2.5 million in Federal funding under the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP), including the expedited timeline for the public comment period (12 days) required by HUD.

Ms. Shirley Grant, DHCD and Ms. Nancy Linderman, Department of Social Services (DSS), provided a review of the application for HPRP, including the plan to use DSS as the lead agency and competitive grant program for sub-recipient.

Ms. Grant offered revised attachment to CR -18-2009 which makes changes in two areas: (1) on Page 3 regarding Citizen Participation responses and (2) on Page 7 on the Estimated Budget Summary.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

This resolution approves an amendment to the "Annual Action Plan: FY 2009" to enable the County to receive \$2,512,242 in Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) funding. The HPRP is established under Title XII of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which appropriates funding to provide homelessness prevention assistance to households who would otherwise become homeless – many due to the economic crisis – and to provide assistance to rapidly re-house persons who are homeless as defined by section 103 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302). It also provides that, with certain exceptions, HPRP grants are to be treated as Emergency Shelter Grant funds. To expedite the award of HPRP funding, HUD Notice, Docket No. FR-5307-N-01 (March 19, 2009) allows a comment period of no fewer than 12-days for substantial amendments, waiving the 30-day comment period requirement.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES:

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