

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**2019 Legislative Session**

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**Reference No.:** CR-45-2019

**Draft No.:** 2

**Committee:** PLANNING, HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Date:** 7/18/2019

**Action:** FAV(A)

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**REPORT:**

Committee Vote: Favorable with Amendments, 5-0. (In favor: Council Members Glaros, Hawkins, Davis, Dernoga and Ivey) Council Member Taveras attended the Committee meeting.

The Committee convened on July 18, 2019, to discuss this legislation, regarding the reprogramming and reallocating of \$800,000 in HOME Program funds to support the Palmer Park Meadows project.

The Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee Director summarized the purpose of the legislation. The Palmer Park Meadows project will be located in Landover, Maryland. The project will consist of land acquisition and construction of nine townhomes. Each unit will be marketed with a proposed sales price of \$238,000. Priority for purchase of townhomes will be given to households who hold a Housing Choice Program voucher to be converted to homeownership. The Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc., the developer of the project is receiving project funding in HOME funds, including a prior authorization of HOME funds, in the total amount of \$1,700,000.

The County's FY2016-2020 Citizen's Participation Plan requires the County to submit to HUD any amendments to the County's Five-Year Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan that constitute a "substantial change". The substantial change is the addition of an eligible activity not funded or described in the Annual Action Plan. Revisions or amendments to the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan require a public hearing and approval by resolution. A public hearing on CR-45-2019 was held on July 2, 2019.

Estella Alexander, Acting Director, Department of Housing and Community Development and Stephanie Proestel, Deputy Director, Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. briefed the Committee on the project concentrating on the financing and development.

Estella Alexander provided a Draft 2 of Attachment B of CR-45-2019. Draft 2 indicates the summary of HOME activity and the amount of HOME funding by category.