

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: 11/13/2001

Reference No.: CR-70-2001

Proposer: County Executive

Draft No.: 1

Sponsors: Shapiro, Scott, Wilson, Hendershot

Item Title: A Resolution to approve the project submitted by the Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. (HIP) to the State of Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Neighborhood Partnership Program

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Deputy Director, DHCD

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Personnel: Director, DHCD

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: __/__/__

Executive Action: __/__/__

Committee Referral: 10/30/2001 THE

Effective Date: __/__/__

Committee Action: 11/8/2001 FAV

Date Introduced: 10/30/2001

Public Hearing: __/__/__ __: __ __

Council Action: 11/13/2001 ADOPTED

Council Votes: RVR:A DB:A, JE:A, IG:A, TH:A, AS:A, PS:A, MW:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks: _____

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE DATE: 11/8/01

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0, (In favor: Council Members Estepp, Gourdine, Hendershot and Shapiro)

Staff summarized the legislation indicating that CR-70-2001 would support and approve the participation of Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. (HIP) in the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (CDA) Neighborhood Partnership Program. The Department will set aside an allocation of tax credits for business entities that contribute to the HIP HOMES Project. HIP proposes to acquire dilapidated single family homes in Palmer Park and Seat Pleasant and rehabilitate these homes and sell them to first time homebuyers earning 80% or less of the median income.

Local legislation in support is a requirement to participate in the Program.

The Department of Housing and Community Development's (DHCD) representative indicates that the State requires annual submittal to participate in the Program. HIP has come before the Council before for consideration of their housing program.

The DHCD's representative noted that Mosi Harrington, Director, HIP was present at the Committee Worksession.

The Legislative Officer and the Office of Law find it to be in proper legislative form. The Office of Audits and Investigations determines that there should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CR-70-2001.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

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

This resolution will approve the application submitted by the Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. (HIP) to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (MD/DHCD) for participation in the Neighborhood Partnership Program. HIP, a nonprofit organization that runs a program in Prince George's County called HIP HOMES, acquires dilapidated, vacant single family homes and rehabilitates these homes and sells them to first time homebuyers earning 80 percent or less of the median area income. MD/DHCD will set aside an allocation of tax credits for business entities that contribute to the HIP HOMES Project. Pursuant to Article 83B, Section 4-705(c) of the Maryland Annotated Code, the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development may not approve a proposal for participation in the Neighborhood Partnership Program unless the proposal is approved by the governing body of the county in which the designated revitalization area benefited by the project is located.