

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date:	9/24/2013
Reference No.:	CR-097-2013
Draft No.:	1
Proposer(s):	Olson, Campos
Sponsor(s):	Olson, Campos, Franklin, Lehman, Turner, Davis
Item Title:	A Resolution concerning State of Maryland Community Legacy Program for the purpose of approving the application by CASA de Maryland, Inc., a Maryland nonprofit, through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for funding through the Community Legacy Financial Assistance Fund to assist in maintaining the Multicultural Center in Langley Park.

Drafter:	Todd M. Turner, Legislative Officer
Resource	Danielle M. Glaros, Legislative Aide District 3
Personnel:	Thomas Mayah, Citizen Services District 3

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:		Executive Action:	10/8/2013 S
Committee Referral:	9/17/2013 - THE	Effective Date:	
Committee Action:	9/19/2013 - FAV		
Date Introduced:	9/17/2013		
Public Hearing:			
Council Action (1)	9/24/2013 - 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 9/19/2013

September 19, 2013

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

Staff provided a summary of the resolution and referral comments that were received. CR-97-2013 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. The application is being submitted to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program.

Ms. Adwoa Spencer, of CASA de Maryland, provided testimony in support of the resolution seeking a tax credit in the amount of \$131,693 to maintain the McCormick-Goodhart Mansion, which was converted into the Multicultural Center.

Eric Brown, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development, provided additional information to the Committee, in support of CR-97. Ms. Lisa Jackson, Office of the County Executive, spoke in support of the resolution.

The Office of Law determined that CR-97-2013 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-97-2013.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

This resolution approves the application of CASA de Maryland, Inc. for funding through the Community Legacy Program of the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development to maintain the Multicultural Center in Langley Park. CASA is applying for \$131,693 in funding to maintain the McCormick-Goodhart Mansion, which was converted into the Multicultural Center. This resolution is required for the application's approval under the Program. The County Council previously supported resolutions in 2009 (CR-92-2009) and 2007 (CR-82-2007) for Casa de Maryland under the Program.

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