COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 2021 Legislative Session

CR-024-2021	
The Chair (by request – County Executive)	
Council Members Hawkins, Turner, Anderson-Walker, Harrison, Davis,	
Franklin and Streeter	
etion March 16, 2021	

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION concerning

Fiscal Year ("FY") 2020 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development For the purpose of amending the Prince George's County Fiscal Year ("FY") 2020 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development by adding eligible Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") activities not originally funded or described in the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan.

WHEREAS, under the terms of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act, enacted March 27, 2020, part of which attempts to address a wide variety of needs including providing shelter to homeless individuals, increasing affordable housing options, and maintaining crucial public services during the current public health outbreak through a formula grant allocation, the effort, Congress designated funding to federal entitlement programs, allocated through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act, Prince George's County is qualified as an urban county to receive entitlement Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 Round 3 ("CDBG-CV") Program funds in the estimated amount of Four million, Eighty-six thousand, Two hundred twenty dollars (\$4,086,220) to assist in the prevention, preparation for and response to the coronavirus crisis; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") requires jurisdictions that receive assistance under certain community planning and development programs to submit a five-year consolidated plan and an annual action plan to the Secretary of HUD that outlines ways to develop viable communities by providing: decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities principally for low-income and

moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, each jurisdiction is required to adopt a citizen participation plan as part of its five-year consolidated plan and annual action plans; and

WHEREAS, a citizen participation plan sets forth the jurisdiction's policies and procedures for citizen participation, and must provide for and encourage citizens to participate in the development of the Assessment of Fair Housing, any revisions to the Assessment of Fair Housing, the five-year consolidated plan, any substantial amendment to the consolidated plan, and the performance report; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 15A-107 of the Prince George's County Code, the County Executive and the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland adopted CR-047-2020, which set forth the County's FY 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, along with the County's FY 2021-2025 Citizen Participation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County's FY 2021-2025 Citizen Participation Plan requires the County to submit to HUD, any amendments to the County's five-year Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan that constitutes a "substantial change;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the County's FY 2021-2025 Citizen Participation Plan, the following decisions constitute a "substantial change": (1) a change in the allocation priorities or a change in the method of distribution of funds; (2) the addition of an eligible activity not originally funded or described in the Annual Action Plan; (3) a change in the location, description, regulatory reference, national objective citation, and status of an activity originally described in the Annual Action Plan; (4) a change in the use of CDBG, HOME, Program Income, or ESG funds, exceeding at least \$250,000 from one existing activity to another existing eligible activity in any category within the applicable Program. All activities must have been in an approved Annual Action Plan. The CDBG categories include Affordable Housing, Economic Development, Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements, Public Services and Planning and Administration. The ESG categories include Emergency Shelter, Street Outreach, HMIS, Rapid-Rehousing, Homeless Prevention and Administration; (5) designations for Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (NRSAs); and (6) a change in the proposed uses of HUD 108 Loan Guarantee and Section 108 Program Income; and

WHEREAS, the County Council shall hold a public hearing for public input on any revision or amendment to the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plan, and approve the

amendment by resolution pursuant to Section 15A-106 - Review and Approval of the Five-Year Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan and Annual Action Plan of the County Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 15A-105(a)(1) - Plan Annual Housing and Community Developmental Action Plan -content of the County Code, the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan must be amended to include a detailed description of recommended housing and community development activities proposed for implementation during the succeeding program year; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan must be amended at this time to include eligible CDBG-CV Program activities not originally funded or described in the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, Attachment A describes the new activities identified in the CDBG Program Year CDBG-CV Funding Recommendations Summary, as attached hereto and made part hereof; and

WHEREAS, Attachment B consists of the County's FY 2020 Annual Action Plan, as amended, as modified on February 5, 2021, as attached hereto and made part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the addition of new CDBG-CV Program activities constitutes a "substantial change" to the County's FY 2020 Annual Action Plan because they are eligible activities not originally funded or described in the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive recommends the amendment to the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan to include the addition of new CDBG-CV Program activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development, is hereby amended to include the new CDBG-CV Program activities, as described in Attachments A and B respectively, as attached hereto and made a part of the record hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the adoption of this Resolution, it shall be transmitted to the County Executive by the Clerk of the Council, and that the County Executive or her designee is hereby authorized and empowered as the official representative of Prince George's County to submit the amended Annual Action Plan to United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), along with all assurances contained therein, to act as necessary in connection with the submission, and to provide such additional information to HUD as may be required.

Adopted this 4th day of May, 2021.	
	COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
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	Calvin S. Hawkins, II
	Chair
ATTEST:	
Donna J. Brown	
Clerk of the Council	