

Item Title: Accept and Appropriate Additional Funding for Construction of a Sprayground at the Alston Massenburg Center in Wake Forest, and for Water Line and Paving Improvements along Bridge Street and Southern Street in Fuquay-Varina

Specific Action Requested:
That the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Appropriates \$92,316.63 from Prior Year Community Development Block Grant funds to purchase equipment for a current Community Development Block Grant project, construction of a sprayground at the Alton Massenburg Center in Wake Forest and;**
- 2. Appropriates \$37,306.22 in additional funding, including Acceptance of \$7,461.24 from the Town of Fuquay-Varina for water line and paving improvements along Bridge Street and Southern Street.**

Item Summary:

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, is a flexible program that provides resources to address community development needs. One eligible use of CDBG funds is construction of public facilities and infrastructure in low-moderate income neighborhoods. These funds can assist communities and residents with neighborhood improvements to improve quality of life and safety. In Wake County, several municipalities and the County joined together in a consortium to combine federal allocations to be administered on behalf of the consortium by the County.

In late 2014, housing staff worked with each municipality to ascertain their eligible community development needs for the years 2015-2020. Wake Forest identified the sprayground at the Alston Massenburg Center and Fuquay-Varina selected upgrades to water lines and a road paving for Bridge Street and Southern Street. Details about both of these projects follow.

Wake Forest Sprayground

On May 4, 2015, the Board of Commissioners approved the FY2015-16 Affordable Housing Action Plan. This plan contained an allocation of \$262,686 CDBG funds for a sprayground at the Alston Massenburg Center in Wake Forest. The Town of Wake Forest contributed \$65,672 under this Plan.

On May 2, 2016, in the FY2016-2017 Affordable Housing Action Plan, the Board of Commissioners approved an additional allocation of \$67,314 in CDBG funds for the project. The Town of Wake Forest contributed \$20,000, which was above the required 20% match. The additional funding in FY16 was required because the initial estimate increased based on more completed plans.

The additional \$92,316.63 is needed to pay for costs that were not included in the original budget. Prior Year CDBG funds are available from cost savings from two public facility projects that came in under budget (Knightdale Main Street, Wake Forest Caddell Street), as well as previously uncommitted CDBG funds.

Source	Funding
Original Project Funding:	
CDBG FY15	\$262,686
Town of Wake Forest Match	\$65,672
CDBG FY16	\$67,314
Town of Wake Forest Match	\$20,000
Subtotal	\$415,672
Additional Project Funding:	
Prior Year CDBG PF Cost Savings	\$92,316.63
Total	\$507,988.66

Wake County will administer the additional funds including construction administration and project closeout. No County funds are required. Board action is required to appropriate the additional \$92,316.63.

Fuquay-Varina Bridge Street and Southern Street Water Lines and Paving

On May 2, 2016, in the FY2016-2017 Affordable Housing Action Plan, the Board of Commissioners approved an allocation of \$187,920 in CDBG funds for an upgrade for water lines along Bridge and Southern Streets from two inches wide to six inches wide, and paving of Southern Street. The Town of Fuquay-Varina contributed \$46,980, which was the required 20% match.

The total cost of the project increased because of costs that were not included in the original budget.

The Town of Fuquay-Varina Board of Commissioners approved the additional allocation of \$7,461.24 of funds on April 3, 2017. Prior year CDBG funds are available from previously uncommitted funds.

Source	Funding
Original Project Funding:	
CDBG FY16	\$187,920
Town of Fuquay-Varina Match	\$46,980
Subtotal	\$234,900
Additional Project Funding:	
Town of Fuquay-Varina Appropriation	\$7,461.24
Prior Year CDBG Uncommitted Funds	\$29,844.98
Total	\$37,306.22
Grand Total	\$272,206.22

Wake County will administer the additional funds including construction administration and project closeout. No County funds are required. Board action is required to accept and appropriate the additional funds.

Attachments:

1. Budget Memo