

**Item Title:** Amend the 2016-2017 and 2019-2020 Housing Action Plans to Reallocate Public Facility Funds to Public Services and Housing Rehabilitation

**Specific Action Requested:**

**That the Board of Commissioners amends the 2016-2017 and 2019-2020 Action Plans to:**

- 1. Reallocate \$19,073.93 of 2016 CDBG funds from Public Facilities to Public Services for the Garner Recreation Center.**
- 2. Reallocate \$41,026.06 of 2019 CDBG funds from Public Facilities to Public Services for the Garner Recreation Center.**
- 3. Reallocate \$82,873.94 of 2019 CDBG funds from Public Facilities to Rehabilitation.**

**Item Summary:**

**Purpose:** The Board of Commissioners approves all substantial amendments to Wake County Action Plans submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

**Background:** The Annual Action Plan describes how Wake County will use funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to meet the housing needs of low-to-moderate income families. Funding is allocated by grant activity type, such as public facility or public service, and then project. Major plan amendments, involving the reallocation of funds or the addition of projects, require public notice and Board of Commissioners approval.

The 2016-2017 and 2019-2020 Action Plans allocated Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) public facility funds to assist the Town of Garner with the construction of its Recreation Center. The Town determined that \$19,073.93 of the 2016-2017 funding and \$41,026.06 of the 2019-2020 funding was needed to support programming, a CDBG public service. In addition, \$82,873.94 of remaining public facility funds will be reallocated for Housing Rehabilitation, as Garner no longer needs these funds to complete the Recreation Center project.

**Board Goal:** This Board action complements housing affordability initiatives in the Social and Economic Vitality goal area.

**Fiscal Impact:** This action reallocates existing funds from FY2016 and FY2019. No additional appropriation is required.

### **Additional Information:**

The FY 2016-2017 Action Plan was approved on May 2, 2016 and the FY 2019-2020 Action Plan was approved on June 3, 2019 by the Board of Commissioners. The Annual Action Plans describes the way Wake County Housing Affordability and Community Revitalization will use funds from HUD to help meet the housing and community development needs of low-moderate income families. Funding is allocated by grant activity type, such as public facility, and then by specific project. Substantial plan amendments, such as a change in activity type or addition of projects, require public notice, a 30-day public comment period, and Board of Commissioners approval.

The 2016-2017 Plan and the FY 2019-2020 Plan allocated CDBG funds to assist the Town of Garner with construction of their Recreation Center, a public facility activity. Subsequently, the Town determined they need assistance with the programming of their Recreation Center, a public service activity. Therefore, \$19,073.93 of 2016 CDBG funds and \$41,026.06 of 2019 funds will be reallocated from public facilities to public services.

In addition, the remaining balance, \$82,873.94 of the FY 2019-2020 CDBG public facility funds to the Town of Garner for construction of a new public facilities project were not needed by the Town. This will be reallocated for Housing Rehabilitation, an ongoing program of the Housing Affordability and Community Revitalization Department.

#### **Existing Project Funding**

FFY	Funding Activity Name	Activity Type	Amount
2016	Garner Recreation Center	Public Facilities	\$ (19,073.93)
2019	Garner Recreation Center	Public Facilities	\$ (123,900.00)
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ (142,973.93)</b>

#### **Reallocation of Project Funding**

FFY	Funding Activity Name	Activity Type	Amount
2016	Garner Recreation Center	Public Services	\$ 19,073.93
2019	Garner Recreation Center	Public Services	\$ 41,026.06
2019	Elderly & Disabled Program	Rehabilitation	\$ 82,873.94
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 142,973.93</b>

The Garner Recreation Center project cost approximately \$10,000,000 and the Town has contributed most of the funding. Wake County's total contribution will be \$311,526.06 including project delivery cost.

#### **Garner Recreation Center Total Project Cost**

FFY	Activity Type	Amount
2016	Public Services	\$ 199,073.93
2016	Public Facilities	\$ 71,426.07
2019	Public Services	\$ 41,026.06
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 311,526.06</b>

A public notice for these amendments was published in The Carolinian, The News & Observer, and Que Pasa. The 30-day public comment period began December 20, 2019 and continued through January 20, 2020.

**Attachments:**

1. Public Notice