



CITY OF PLANO COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

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<input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory				
Council Meeting Date:		August 26, 2013		
Department:		Planning		
Department Head		Phyllis Jarrell		
Agenda Coordinator (include phone #): Karen Suiter x7566				
CAPTION				
Consideration of a Resolution authorizing the filing of a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 under the Collin County Housing Finance Corporation; approving its execution by the City Manager or an authorized designee; and providing an effective date.				
FINANCIAL SUMMARY				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT APPLICABLE <input type="checkbox"/> OPERATING EXPENSE <input type="checkbox"/> REVENUE <input type="checkbox"/> CIP				
FISCAL YEAR: 2012-13	Prior Year (CIP Only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Budget	0	0	0	0
Encumbered/Expended Amount	0	0	0	0
This Item	0	0	0	0
BALANCE	0	0	0	0
FUND(s): NA				
<p>COMMENTS: This item authorizes the City to apply for a grant that, if accepted, will provide funding of approximately \$400,000 for the grant fund. This item will not have a fiscal impact unless the application is approved. If approved, an additional resolution will be made for the City to accept the grant funds.</p> <p>STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Applying for Collin County Housing Finance Corporation grant funds relates to the City's goal of Financially Strong City with Service Excellence.</p>				
SUMMARY OF ITEM				
<p>The City's 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan of Housing and Community Development Needs includes a high priority goal of increasing the amount of housing options available for people who are in a housing crisis. As our HUD funds are generally decreasing in value, there are limited opportunities to meet this significant area of growing need. In response, a cooperative has developed to provide emergency and transitional housing utilizing Plano's existing housing resources, including programs to help people move from homelessness and crisis to self-sufficiency. This grant is an opportunity to use county funds to help Plano meet its goals in providing for those in crisis.</p>				
List of Supporting Documents:			Other Departments, Boards, Commissions or Agencies	
Memo, Resolution				



Memorandum

Date: August 14, 2013
To: Frank F. Turner, Deputy City Manager
From: Christina Day, Community Services Manager
Subject: Collin County Housing Finance Corporation Grant Application

The City's 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan of Housing and Community Development Needs includes a high priority goal of increasing the amount of housing options available for people who are in a housing crisis. As our HUD funds are generally decreasing in value, there are limited opportunities to meet this significant area of growing need. In response, a cooperative has developed to provide emergency and transitional housing utilizing Plano's existing housing resources, including programs to help people move from crisis to self-sufficiency. This cooperative provides housing closer to their current schools, jobs, and public transportation in Plano.

This Housing Cooperative, led by Agape Resource & Assistance Center, has a 'Housing 4 Hope' plan of providing emergency and transitional housing for Plano residents, specifically focusing on our greatest areas of need first, women, their children and dependents, and unaccompanied youth. This plan is underway, and Agape has already acquired one single-family property for use as a household care facility with five residents. The Housing 4 Hope plan provides a bridge with and between existing service providers, including Family Promise, Family Gateway, City House, and others, to help ensure a stable environment for people in a vulnerable position.

Housing 4 Hope's '3x4 structure' leverages a County request for \$400,000 in property acquisition funds with \$85,000 of City Housing Rehabilitation Program support (HUD funding) and over \$450,000 in private donations to provide emergency housing for 312 people and transitional housing for 39 people as follows:

- 1) Four single family units housing an estimated five unaccompanied women in one house; and a total of six women head of households and their 12 dependent children living as families in the other three houses during a transitional housing period as they gain self-sufficiency.
- 2) Four apartment units housing four women and twelve dependent children during a transitional housing period as they gain self-sufficiency.
- 3) Four emergency shelter units provided through extended stay hotel rooms with an average stay of two weeks while alternative housing is arranged. These units would serve an estimated 312 persons per year (104 adults and 208 children).

Agape will provide the use of its single-family property for the Housing 4 Hope project. Utilizing County grant funds, the City would purchase and rehabilitate three single-family properties through our Housing Rehabilitation program. We would place a 10-to-15 year lien (depending on the HUD funds invested) and deed restriction on the property to ensure long-term use dedicated to providing services to homeless families. In the event that violation of the deed occurs, the City could foreclose the property and either contract with an alternate provider or sell them via Housing Rehabilitation Program rules.

I am seeking permission to move forward with a grant application to the County. This would require:

- A resolution from City Council supporting the application on the August 26th agenda,
- Agreement to abide by the grant's terms and conditions including the reimbursement basis of fund provision (which are, in my opinion, reasonable and customary), and
- A Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Agape to secure our cooperative agreement.

We are considering that the struck-back property at 707 11th Street might be included as one of the properties purchased using the County Funds.

Please let me know if I can provide additional information.

A Resolution authorizing the filing of a grant application in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 under the Collin County Housing Finance Corporation; approving its execution by the City Manager or an authorized designee; and providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the Collin County Housing Finance Corporation has made available \$1,000,000 in grant funding for eligible organizations to develop and upgrade housing within Collin County via the Housing Project Finance Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Plano is a local government operating within Collin County and, therefore, eligible to submit an application to the Collin County Housing Finance Corporation for grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted the 2010-14 Consolidated Plan of Housing and Community Development Needs stating an outcome to support and assist with the creation of additional shelter, supportive services, and transitional housing for homeless and under-housed; and

WHEREAS, the City is working with non-profit partners through the Housing 4 Hope Program to ensure that emergency and transitional housing units are made available, consistent with existing zoning and development regulations, to house homeless families and provide support and ongoing case management for clients; and

WHEREAS, the housing program will support a projected 351 women and children per year who would otherwise be homeless or under-housed; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that it is in the best interests of the citizens of Plano that application be made for up to \$400,000 of Housing Project Finance Assistance Program funds to support said Housing 4 Hope program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLANO, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION I. – Bruce D. Glasscock, City Manager of the City of Plano, is hereby authorized to file an application for funds under the Collin County Housing Finance Corporation Program.

SECTION II. - Bruce D. Glasscock, City Manager, is hereby designated as the Chief Executive Officer and authorized representative of the City of Plano, Texas, for the purpose of acting in connection with the application and providing such additional information as may be required. Furthermore, the City Manager is authorized to appoint a designee to execute all application documents.

SECTION III. - This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 26TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2013.

Harry LaRosiliere, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Diane Zucco, CITY SECRETARY

Approved as to form:

Diane C. Wetherbee, CITY ATTORNEY