PROPOSED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2021 – 2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

DRAFT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW, MARCH 17, 2023

Summary

Brevard County proposes to amend its 2021 – 2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the local Citizen Participation Plan to identify specific projects within the approved Infrastructure Activity.

This Amendment identifies the funding and location of infrastructure improvements in accordance with the Annual Goals and Objectives (from the 2021-22 Action Plan) tied to improving low/moderate income neighborhoods. Specifically, \$106,481 in CDBG funds for the upgrade of roadways and the installation of speed humps on Orange Avenue and Mitchell Avenue in the East Mims locally designated Neighborhood Strategy Area.

Fiscal Impact

Infrastructure Activity in the plan was approved with \$891,868 in funding. This action identifies specific project expenditures for unencumbered funds to be moved from IDIS Activity #1712 Public Infrastructure Improvements (\$891,868) to Mitchell Avenue Improvements (\$80,643) and Orange Avenue Improvements (\$25,838).

Revised Activity and Funding Allocation

The following is proposed to be added to Activity 3 under planned projects:

3	Project Name	CDBG: Public Infrastructure Improvements
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Improve Low/Moderate Income Neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Community and Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$80,643
	Description	Road resurfacing and installation of three speed humps on
		Mitchell Avenue from Main Street north to Cypress Avenue.
	Target Date	09/30/2023
	Planned Activities	Road resurfacing and speed hump installation on Mitchell
		Avenue in Mims, FL
3	Project Name	CDBG: Public Infrastructure Improvements
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Improve Low/Moderate Income Neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Community and Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$25,838
	Description	Road resurfacing and installation of six speed humps on Orange
		Avenue from Main Street north to Wiley Avenue.
	Target Date	09/30/2023

Planned Activities	Road resurfacing and speed hump installation on Orange Avenue
	in Mims, FL

Eligibility

The projects for which available funding would be allocated under the proposed Substantial Amendment constitute an eligible use of CDBG funds as permitted under 24 CFR 570.201 (c). Approximately 725 low- and moderate-income individuals will benefit from these improvements which meets a CDBG National Objective under 24 CFR 570.208 (a) (1).

Impact on 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan Goals and Objectives

Based on the original Action Plan allocation, it was estimated that Public Infrastructure Improvements would serve approximately 7,375 persons (low- and moderate-income). The proposed activities would increase this estimate to 8,100.

Citizen Participation and Public Comment

Public comment will be sought through a thirty (30) day public comment period from March 17, 2023 through April 17, 2023 at 4 pm advertised in a newspaper of general circulation on March 16, 2023. Additionally, the proposed Substantial Amendment will be placed on the Department's website and comments will be accepted electronically during the 30-day period. A public hearing will be conducted on April 18, 2023 in the Commission Room at the Government Center in Viera during the regularly scheduled Board of County Commissioners meeting.

All public comments will be welcomed and given due consideration by County staff. A summary of any comments received and responses given by the County will be attached.