

RESOLUTION NO. 2019- 466

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT A SUBSTANTIAL AMMENDMENT TO THE 2016-2017 ACTION PLAN TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County prepared a 2016–2020 Consolidated Plan and a 2016–2017 Action Plan for the purpose of submitting an application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD);

WHEREAS, HUD has awarded the County a grant, in the amount of \$799,754, to assist the County in providing benefits to low and moderate income residents in accordance with the 2016 – 2020 Consolidated Plan and the 2016–2017 Action Plan;

WHEREAS, the County had allocated \$508,270 for the West Augustine Storm-water Drainage project; however, the accepted bid from the construction firm that will complete this project was \$396,887.80; therefore, funding for this project will be reduced by \$111,382.20. Additionally, the original allocation for Countywide Housing Rehabilitation, in the amount of \$208,000 will be reduced to \$156,254.26.

WHEREAS, the project for improvements to Flagler Estates Park was added to the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan. The funds subtracted from the budgets of the West Augustine Strom-water Drainage project and the Countywide Housing Rehabilitation project have been used to allocate \$102,127.94 for improvements to Flagler Estates Park.

WHEREAS, HUD regulations specify that a Substantial Amendment must be made to the 2016–2017 Action Plan so that the funds may be spent as indicated above.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY:

Section 1. The above recitals are incorporated by reference into the body of this resolution and such recitals are adopted as findings of fact.

Section 2. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the Chair to sign a letter, addressed to the HUD Senior Community Planning and Development Representative, which provides details of the amendments.

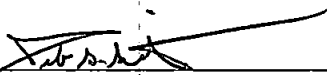
Section 3. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator, or his designee, to submit the amendment to the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan through HUD's Integrated Disbursement and Information System.

Section 7. To the extent that there are typographical or administrative errors or omissions that do not change the tone, tenor, or context of this resolution, this resolution may be revised without subsequent approval of the Board of County Commissioners.

Section 8. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County this 17th day of December, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS
COUNTY

By: 
Jeb S. Smith, Chair

ATTEST: Brandon Patty, Clerk

By: 
Deputy Clerk

RENDITION DATE 12/19/19





St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners

Housing & Community Development

St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners
Housing & Community Development Division
200 San Sebastian View
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St. Augustine, FL 32084

November 19, 2019

Ms. Deidra Hembree
Senior Community Planning and Development Representative
US Department of Housing and Urban Development
Community Planning and Development Division
Charles E. Bennett Federal Building
400 West Bay Street
Suite 1015
Jacksonville, FL 32202

Dear Ms. Hembree,

St. Johns County wishes to inform HUD of the decision to make a Substantial Amendment to the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan.

This Substantial Amendment arose from a need to re-allocate funds for projects in the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan and the need to add a new project to that Action Plan.

The Substantial Amendment and the related public process are described below:

SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT: The Substantial Amendment 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan includes the following changes:

1. The amount budgeted for the storm-water drainage project was \$508,270; however, the accepted bid from the construction firm that will complete this project was \$457,887.80; therefore, the Substantial Amendment includes reducing the funding available for that project by \$50,382.20.
2. The funding for the Countywide Housing Rehabilitation project will be reduced by \$51,745.74 because this is the same amount of funds that was added to this project through a minor amendment to the 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan, in order to re-allocate unspent administration and planning funds from that Annual Action Plan. With this reduction to the amount of funding for this project, the total amount of funding available for this project remains the same as originally planned for in the combined two Action Plan years of 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

3. The funds resulting from the reduction to the 2016-2017 project of storm-water drainage and the countywide housing project will be used to fund improvements to Flagler Estates Park, in the amount of \$102,127.94.

The changes noted above will be reflected in the following IDIS screens for the amended 2016-2017 **Annual Action Plan**:

1. **AP-21 View Annual Goal - 91.220(c)(3)&(e)**: in the Narrative field for the Strategic Plan Goal identified as Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities, the text will be updated to read: Replacement of failing drainage infrastructure and improvements to a public park.
2. **AP-23 Annual Goals and Objectives**: the amount of funding for the Goal of Home Repair/ Rehabilitation will be entered as CDBG: \$156,254.26. The Goal identified as Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities will have updated information to include improvements to a public park and will have the funding will be updated to CDBG: \$560,015.54 (includes the funding for the storm-water drainage infrastructure and the park improvements).
3. **AP-35 Projects - 91.220(d)**: A sixth project will be added for Improvements to Public Park.
4. **AP-38 Project Summary**: For the project No. 2, identified as West Augustine Drainage Improvements, the CDBG Funding will be reduced to \$457,887.80.
5. **AP-38 Project Summary**: A project No. 6 will be added and named Flagler Estates Park Improvements. For this project, the Goals Supported will be Non-Housing Community Development; the Geographic Area will be Flagler Estates; Needs Addressed will be Public Facilities and Infrastructure; Funding will be CDBG: \$102,127.94.
6. **AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.220(f)**: information will be updated to reflect the new funding allocations.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: In accordance with 24 CFR 91.105(c)(3), the proposed Substantial Amendment to the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan has been available for review, from November 16, 2019 to December 17, 2019, Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM at the Health and Human Services Department at 200 San Sebastian View, Suite 2300, St. Augustine, FL 32084. The Public Notice regarding this action was published in the St. Augustine Record and posted in three community locations. The Substantial Amendment and the related Public Notice, as well as the Citizens Participation Plan have been available on the St. Johns County website: <http://www.sicfl.us/Housing/index.aspx>.

Comments from the public were invited during the period from November 16, 2019 to December 17, 2019. Comments could be made at the Health and Human Services Department at 200 San Sebastian View, Suite 2300, St. Augustine, FL 32084. Comments could also be given by calling 904-827-6890 or emailed to housing@sicfl.us. A written response to all comments is given within fifteen (15) days from the day the comment was received.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: Two public hearings regarding this Substantial Amendment were scheduled. The first was held on December 12, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. at the Health and Human Services Department located at 200 San Sebastian View, Kingfisher Conference Room; St. Augustine, FL 32084. The second public hearing was held as the Final Action associated with the Substantial Amendment at December 17, 2019 meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, at 9:00 a.m., in the County Commission Chambers, 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida 32084

Thank you for reviewing this information related to the Substantial Amendment; upon your approval, the County will make the necessary changes to the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan in HUD's Integrated Disbursement and Information System.

Sincerely,

Jeb Smith, Chair