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### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

A meeting of the Community Development Committee will be held at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, July 23, 2020 via Conference Call at 1-929-205-6099, Access Code: 759694505. The agenda will be as follows:

- Invocation
- A. Approval of Minutes**
  1. March 26, 2020
  2. April 13, 2020
  3. April 30, 2020
- B. New Business:**
  - I. Overview Cooper River Bridge Redevelopment Area**
    - a. Update to Drainage Study
    - b. Cooper River Bridge Redevelopment Area – History & Planning Efforts
    - c. Proposed Real Estate Swap and purchase
  - II. Cooper River Bridge TIF**
    - a. Awards/commitments (Approved in 2018)
    - b. Request for amendments to Cooper River Bridge TIF commitments
  - III. Update – Awardees: COVID-2019 Community Development Block Grant**
  - IV. Update – Unsheltered persons assisted via Community Development Block Grant Funds**

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**COOPER RIVER TIF DISTRICT PROJECTS**

**AFFORDABLE HOUSE**

Housing Authority SCE&G Overhead Line Relocation	23,823	Already expended to allow Grace Homes project to move forward (\$22,073). Soil management plan by S&ME required per SCE&G because they weren't aware of VCC on our site (\$1,750).
Underground CRB Utilities	500,000	Tied to James Lewis Apts construction and agreement with Classic Development Company and Flat Iron Partners. Approved by CD Committee on 9/17/18 and reported out and approved by City Council on 9/26/18.
Cooper River Bridge Site / Environmental Remediation	1,000,000	Tied to James Lewis Apts construction and agreement with Classic Development Company and Flat Iron Partners. Approved by CD Committee on 9/17/18 and reported out and approved by City Council on 9/26/18.
Infrastructure improvement funding ask for lowline affordable housing parcel	1,500,000	Approved by CD Committee on 10/25/18 based on recommendation of H& CD and Planning. <b>Project is outside of TIF District boundaries and must be addressed before funding can be spent.</b>
<b>TOTAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS</b>	<b>3,023,823</b>	

**DRAINAGE / STORMWATER**

Cooper River Drainage Basin Study	432,136	AECOM Work Authorization #6 approved on March 10, 2020 by City Council.
Cooper River Bridge HUD CDBG MIT Grant Match	166,000	Future grant application (September 2020) for final design and permitting following AECOM basin study work.
Cooper River Bridge Drainage Improvements	2,994,723	Balance of funding for future construction.
King & Huger Drainage Phase 1 Design / Permitting	405,000	Funding for King & Huger drainage design/permitting of Phase 1 (surface drainage improvements) and preliminary engineering of Phase 2 (pump station). Existing set of tasks already being performed by JMT.
King & Huger SCRIA Grant Match	302,141	Intersection Surface Drainage Improvements, Phase 1 of project (Non-pump station related construction work). Grant has been awarded.
King & Huger Phase 2 Final Design / Permitting	450,000	Final design/permitting for Phase 2 Pump Station. Expected to come to Council in the next few months
<b>TOTAL DRAINAGE / STORMWATER PROJECTS</b>	<b>4,750,000</b>	

**PEDESTRIAN SAFETY**

Brigade Street Bikeway	300,000	Original allocation / estimate of \$725,000
Morrison Drive Edge Conditions	150,000	Cost estimating for project has not been done yet. \$150,000 is the funding that was originally allocated for Cedar, Conroy and Stuart Street sidewalks.
<b>TOTAL PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECTS</b>	<b>450,000</b>	Original total allocation was \$1 Million including \$725,000 for Bridge St and \$150 for various sidewalk projects.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT / RECREATION**

St. Julian Devine Revitalization	2,250,000	Project is underway with various contracts already approved by Council. Full allocation needed at this time.
Cooper River Bridge Multi-Use Trail	750,000	Based on original recommendation of CD Committee. Amount minimized to get green space completed. - Approved by CD Committee on 9/17/18 and reported out and approved by City Council on 9/26/18.
Hampstead Park Playground	152,972	Request made to Recreation Committee at 11/5/18 meeting. Per Mayor on 11/27/18 requested to use balance of funds to do project. <b>Project is outside of TIF District boundaries and must be addressed before funding can be spent.</b>
<b>TOTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT / RECREATION</b>	<b>3,152,972</b>	

TOTAL OF PROJECTS	<u>11,376,795</u>	
TOTAL BOND PROCEEDS	<u>11,926,795</u>	
BALANCE	<u>550,000</u>	<b>Balance is due to Brigade Street Bikeway project in coming vastly under budget. Additional funding anticipated to be needed for Morrison Drive Edge Conditions.</b>

**Bond Proceeds**

Bond Amount	12,000,000
Bond Issuance Costs	<u>73,205</u>
Available Bond Funds	<u><u>11,926,795</u></u>

## CDBG COVID-19 FUNDING

NO.	Organization	Project Name	Project Description	Award Amount
1	City of Charleston	Program Administration	Funds will be utilized to assist with the administration of the City of Charleston's CDBG COVID-19 Program.	\$24,431
2	City of Charleston	Housing Assistance for persons experiencing homelessness	Funds will be utilized to assist homeless persons with lodging, transportation and related expenses due to COVID-19.	\$307,097
3	Charleston Pro Bono Legal Services	Housing Assistance	Funds will be used to assist households affected by COVID-19 with free legal services. 50 households will be assisted.	\$25,000
4	Charleston Trident Urban League	Housing Assistance	Funds will be utilized to support homeless prevention efforts to include rent, mortgage and utility assistance to households in the City of Charleston. 27 Households will be assisted.	\$30,580
5	Helping and Lending Outreach Support (dba HALOS)	Housing Assistance	Funds will be utilized to support homeless prevention efforts to include rent, mortgage and utility assistance to households in the City of Charleston. 45 Households will be assisted.	\$24,780
6	Humanities Foundation - ShelterNet	Housing Assistance	Funds will be utilized to support homeless prevention efforts to include rent, mortgage and utility assistance to households in the City of Charleston. 30 Households will be assisted.	\$30,580
7	My Sisters House	Housing Assistance	Funds will be utilized to support homeless prevention efforts to include rent, mortgage and utility assistance to households in the City of Charleston. 20 Households will be assisted.	\$25,580
8	Palmetto Community Action Partnership	Housing Assistance	Funds will be utilized to support homeless prevention efforts to include rent, mortgage and utility assistance to households in the City of Charleston. 16 Households will be assisted.	\$20,580
<b>Total Awarded</b>				<b>\$488,628</b>

## HOPWA COVID-19 FUNDING

NO.	Organization	Project Name	Project Description	Award Amount
1	Palmetto Community Care	HOPWA-COVID-19 Program	Funds will be utilized to assist homeless persons or those who are in danger of homelessness living with HIV or AIDS with Rental, Mortgage and Utility Assistance due to COVID-19. 45 Households will be assisted under their STRMU program.	\$59,443
2	Roper St. Francis Healthcare (Ryan White Wellness Center)	HOPWA-COVID-19 Program	Funds will be utilized to assist homeless persons or those who are in danger of homelessness living with HIV or AIDS with Rental, Mortgage and Utility Assistance due to COVID-19. 28 Clients will be assisted under their STRMU, TBRA and PHP programs.	\$59,443
<b>Total Awarded</b>				<b>\$118,886</b>

## Community Development Committee of City Council 2020 COVID-19 Report on Homelessness Services

### Handwashing Stations

In order to better meet the needs of individuals in our community who are unsheltered and don't have readily available access to proper hygiene facilities, the city rented three (3) handwashing stations. These stations were placed in areas with high pedestrian traffic to ensure all individuals in our community are able to adhere to appropriate handwashing protocols. These handwashing stations have been in place since March in the following locations:

Marion Square  
One80 Place  
Our Lady of Mercy Neighborhood House

### Transitional Shelter Utilizing Hotel Rooms

Starting in the beginning of June, the City partnered with a local hotel in downtown Charleston and various community service providers to provide temporary accommodation to individuals in the community who are unsheltered. These hotel stays are designed to reduce exposure to COVID-19 in the community and serve as a transition as individuals work towards admittance to shelter or securing permanent housing. Through partnership with Fetter Healthcare, all participants receive a COVID test prior to admittance and through partnerships with MUSC and One80 Place have been provided three meals a day.

The city is currently partnering with One80 Place, The Navigation Center, My Sister's House and Florence Crittenton to provide payment toward the hotel costs. The nonprofit partners are providing ongoing case management supports to all those who are staying at the hotel to ensure work is being done towards securing housing.

To date 31 individuals have been supported through this program. This number includes 6 men, 11 women, and 14 children. One family has successfully achieved permanent housing, 4 individuals have transitioned into shelter, and the rest are making tangible progress towards achieving stable housing.

### Quarantine/Isolation Shelter

Current medical best practice for COVID-19 dictates that if an individual has been deemed eligible for testing or has tested positive that they go into quarantine and/or isolation. For those individuals in our community who are unsheltered, that is not an option. This results in a risk of transmission to the broader community.

In March, in order to fill this gap and meet the needs of vulnerable individuals in our community, the City of Charleston partnered with DHEC and the Stay Express Inn to provide temporary accommodation for the purpose of quarantine/isolation. Individuals who are unsheltered are directed by medical service providers to the City who then arranges for the individual to be transported to the Stay Express Inn.

Partnering with Med Trust Medical Transport and Family Medical Transport, the City has provided **over 10 individuals** with transportation to get tested and then quarantine and/or isolate at the Stay Express Inn.