

Date: July 12th, 2016

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: Tanya Wilson-Séjour, AICP, Planning, Zoning & Development Director

RE: A Resolution Amending the Previously Adopted FY 15/16 Annual Action Plan

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED FIVE-YEAR 2015-2019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 ACTION PLAN UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAMS TO REVISE THE CDBG PUBLIC FACILITY ACTIVITY IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000.00) BY TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM “GRIFFING TRAIL” TO “LIBERTY GARDENS PARK” TO BE USED FOR REVITALIZATION OF THE POCKET PARK IDENTIFIED WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOLIO NUMBER 06-2230-007-0930, AT 715 NE 125TH STREET, IN ACCORDANCE WITH HUD REGULATIONS, AND AS REFERENCED IN THE ATTACHED “EXHIBIT A”; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff is recommending that the City Council amend the previously adopted Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Action Plan under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Programs to revise the CDBG public facility activity in the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) from “Griffing Trail” to “Liberty Gardens Park” (Figure 1) with folio # 06-2230-007-0930 to be used for revitalizing a pocket park along NE 125th Street, between the NE 7th and NE 8th Avenue corridors for transmittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for final approval.

PROGRAM BACKGROUND

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (U.S. HUD), the federal agency responsible for administration of the CDBG and HOME programs, requires each entitlement jurisdiction to prepare an annual Action Plan outlining needs and priorities for the funding year that will establish a unified vision of the community needs. Each jurisdiction is also required to invite public participation in the process through an open forum. On July 14th, 2015, the Mayor and City Council passed and adopted Resolution No. 2015-R-75, approving Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Action Plan under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Programs. An Action Plan is defined as a comprehensive document, which describes the City’s annual needs and priorities relative to housing and community development. Each year the Action Plan must be prepared and

submitted to U.S. HUD for approval prior to release of funds. In FY 2015-2016 the City received CDBG and HOME funding, respectively. From the CDBG public facility activity Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$ 30,000.00) was previously allocated toward the beautification and landscaping of the “Griffing Trail” – the closed segment of West Dixie Highway beginning at NE 125th Street heading south to NE 123rd Street. After performing a location analysis and considering the need to encumber the funds in FY 2015/16, staff has determined it is within the City’s best interest to transfer funds from the previously approved “Griffing Trail” project to proposed Liberty Gardens Park and is deemed necessary to support the efforts and intent of the Downtown Development and Major Corridor Master Plan. Approving said amendment would provide needed capital improvement to an underutilized pedestrian amenity to create and enhance the green open space in the City’s downtown district.

Prior to this meeting, a notice was posted in the Miami Herald and the Community Planning & Development office for a 30-day review and comment period beginning May 27th, 2016 through June 27th, 2016 to solicit public input and citizen participation on the proposed amendment.



Figure 1 Liberty Gardens Park Map

CONCLUSION

Upon adoption of the proposed resolution, pursuant to U.S. HUD regulations, the amendment will be transmitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for final approval. Consequent to the approval, staff will then proceed with the necessary project deliverables for Liberty Gardens Park.

TWS/mjp

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Public Notice
3. Adopted Action Plan (EXHIBIT A)

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED FIVE-YEAR 2015-2019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 ACTION PLAN UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAMS TO REVISE THE CDBG PUBLIC FACILITY ACTIVITY IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000.00) BY TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM “GRIFFING TRAIL” TO “LIBERTY GARDENS PARK” TO BE USED FOR REVITALIZATION OF THE POCKET PARK IDENTIFIED WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOLIO NUMBER 06-2230-007-0930, AT 715 NE 125TH STREET, IN ACCORDANCE WITH HUD REGULATIONS AND AS REFERENCED IN THE ATTACHED “EXHIBIT A”; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of North Miami (“City”) has been designated as an “Entitlement Community” and therefore, receives direct annual funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) for Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) and Home Investment Partnership (“HOME”) programs; and

WHEREAS, since 1994, the City has received CDBG funds from HUD, in order to provide a source of funding for various community and economic development programs and projects; and

WHEREAS, since 2003, the City has received HOME funds, in order to provide a source of funding for community housing programs in accordance with Chapter 420, Part V, Florida Statutes (2015); and

WHEREAS, HUD requires Entitlement Communities to prepare and adopt a Five-Year Consolidated Plan (“Consolidated Plan”) to establish priorities for future funding decisions; and

WHEREAS, HUD program regulations further require that the City prepare an annual Action Plan (“Action Plan”) for the use of grant funds with input from the public; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2015, the Mayor and City Council passed and adopted Resolution No. 2015-R-75, approving and adopting the North Miami Five-Year 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan

and the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Action Plan under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Programs; and

WHEREAS, City administration respectfully requests to amend the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Action Plan to revise the CDBG public facility activity in the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) from “Griffing Trail” to “Liberty Gardens Park” to be used for revitalization of the pocket park identified with Miami-Dade County folio number 06-2230-007-0930, at 715 NE 125th Street in accordance with HUD regulations and as referenced in the attached Exhibit “A” (“Amendment”); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council find that the proposed Amendment is not only a viable project, but also supports the efforts and intent of the Downtown Development and Major Corridor Master Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. **Approval of Amendment to FY 2015-2016 Consolidated and Action Plans.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby amend the previously adopted Five-Year 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Action Plan under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Programs to revise the CDBG public facility activity in the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) from “Griffing Trail” to “Liberty Gardens Park” to be used for revitalization of the pocket park identified with Miami-Dade County folio number 06-2230-007-0930, at 715 NE 125th Street, in accordance with HUD regulations, and as referenced in the attached “Exhibit A”.

Section 2. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a _____ vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this ____ day of _____, 2016.

DR. SMITH JOSEPH
MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Vote:

Mayor Smith Joseph, D.O., Pharm. D.
Vice Mayor Alix Desulme
Councilman Scott Galvin
Councilwoman Carol Keys, Esq.
Councilman Philippe Bien-Aime

_____ (Yes) _____ (No)
_____ (Yes) _____ (No)
_____ (Yes) _____ (No)
_____ (Yes) _____ (No)
_____ (Yes) _____ (No)

MIAMI BEACH

Miami Beach VFW shuttered as sting finds drugs and gambling, police say

BY CHARLES RABIN
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For six months, Miami Beach police working undercover milled about as patrons of the Veterans of Foreign Wars hall on the ground floor of the Floridian Condominium in Miami Beach.

Three times, cops purchased small amounts of cocaine for \$20 a pop from an old-timer there named Miguel Sacerio. A larger buy was set up for late January when police set up a meeting with Sacerio on 16th Street and Jefferson Avenue to sell two ounces of cocaine.

They said they found 11 grams on him. Sacerio was

busted that same day, charged with possession, trafficking and intent to sell cocaine, according to his arrest affidavit.

In April, a cop inserted \$20 into a video gaming machine at the same VFW. By the time he was done playing, the police report says, bartender Resty Nelson Cordova retrieved a ticket from the machine, placed it in a jar on the bar, and handed the officer his \$20 back.

When police went to arrest Cordova last week, his arrest affidavit says, he dropped small plastic bags with Xanax and cocaine on the ground. Cordova, 50, was arrested and charged with gambling, cocaine sales and possession of a

controlled substance.

A week later, VFW Post 3559 at 650 West Ave. — a dank, large room with window views of Biscayne Bay and cigarette smoke-stained walls underneath a thriving and popular Miami Beach condo — remains closed.

It's been there since 1936. When the Floridian was erected, developers had to build around the VFW. Its \$3 beers and \$4 drinks are still popular. Now, veterans who went there regularly are angry. Others who drank the bar's reasonably priced beer and wine are bewildered.

And no one — not even the senior military veterans running other VFWs — is certain when, or if, the place will ever open again.

"It's horrific what happened. It's not what the VFW is all about," said George Robert, the quartermaster for the VFW in Hollywood.

Miami Beach police say they began their investigation into the VFW in October 2015. In November and again in January they met with Sacerio and bought

VFW POST 3559 AT 650 WEST AVE. REMAINS CLOSED.

cocaine there. Then a deal was brokered for a bigger buy. The agreement was for Sacerio and the undercover cop to buy two ounces of cocaine, then to cut it with another product and double their profits.

At one point, the police report says, Sacerio while in the cop car became so upset that he said, "I have it in my pocket. What's wrong with you? You want me to show it out here to you in the street?"

The cops then gave a take-down signal, the report says.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Rockefeller Foundation to aid South Florida in climate fight

BY JENNY STALETOVICH
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Miami-Dade County and the cities of Miami and Miami Beach on Wednesday were named to a global network of cities struggling to become more resilient in the face of climate change.

Backed by the Rockefeller Foundation, the network includes 23 cities across the U.S., including New York City, Boston and Norfolk, Virginia. The project, called 100 Resilient Cities, provides money to pay for a chief resiliency officer with

access to the organization's technology and experts.

Miami-Dade and Miami Beach have hired resiliency officers. Miami plans to

Calling greater Miami ground zero for sea level rise, Miami Mayor Tomás Regalado said the project will help the city keep making progress on addressing its aging infrastructure and financial future. For the region to succeed, Miami-Dade Mayor Carlos Gimenez said collaboration is critical. "The decisions that we make today will have a long-lasting impact on future generations," he said.

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NORTH MIAMI FLORIDA
City of North Miami
PUBLIC NOTICE
TO AMEND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ACTION PLANS FOR FISCAL YEARS (FY) 2015-2016
The City of North Miami, in accordance with 24 CFR Part 570.350, proposes to amend its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Action Plans for FY 2015-16 as follows:
AMENDMENT TO FY 2015-16

Existing Program Funds		Recommended Redistribution of Funds	
Public Facility Activity	Amount	Public Facility Activity	Amount
Griffing Trail • Landscaping along West Dixie Hwy at NE 125th Street	\$30,000	Liberty Garden • Landscaping along NE 125th Street, between 7th and 8th Ave corridor	\$30,000
		Total	\$30,000

Citizens are hereby invited to comment on the proposed amendment. All comments must be submitted in writing from **May 27, 2016 to June 27, 2016 by 5:00p.m** and addressed to the City of North Miami, Community Planning & Development Department, 12400 NE 8th Avenue, North Miami, Florida 33161; ATTN: Housing Manager. Further information may be obtained by calling (305) 893-6511, Ext. 12246 or email at mjean-pharuns@northmiamifl.gov.
Council Meeting will be held on June 28, 2016 at 7pm to amend the Action Plan to reflect revision.
FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990, ALL PERSONS WHO ARE DISABLED AND WHO NEED SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING BECAUSE OF THAT DISABILITY SHOULD CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 305-893-6511, Ext. 12142, NO LATER THAN FOUR DAYS PRIOR TO SUCH PROCEEDING. HEARING IMPAIRED MAY CONTACT THE TDD LINE AT (305) 893-7936.



776 N.E. 125 Street, North Miami, Florida 33161

Staff Report

Exhibit A

No.	Activity	Funding Allocation
1	CDBG Program Administration (≤ 20 %)	\$149,381.00
2	CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program	\$375,492.00
3	CDBG Economic Development	\$50,000.00
4	CDBG Public Services – Non-profit Community Based Organizations & YOB Program	\$112,036.00
5	CDBG Public Facilities (Capital Project)(Griffing Trail) <u>Liberty Gardens Park</u>	\$30,000.00
6	CDBG Elderly Emergency Repairs	\$ 30,000.00
	CDBG Subtotal	\$746,909.00
	Recaptured funds for Housing Rehab	\$8,443.76
	CDBG Total	\$755,352.76
6	HOME Program Administration	\$19,770.00
7	HOME Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Set-aside (15%)	\$29,655.00
8	HOME Single-Family Rehabilitation Program	\$125,775.00
9	HOME First-time Homebuyer Program	\$20,000.00
10	HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program	\$2,500.00
	HOME Total	\$197,700.00
	TOTAL CDBG & HOME FUNDS	\$953,052.76



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Property Information	
Folio:	06-2230-007-0930
Property Address:	715 NE 125 ST North Miami, FL 33161-5611
Owner	CITY OF NORTH MIAMI
Mailing Address	776 NE 125 ST N MIAMI, FL 33161-5654
Primary Zone	6000 COMMERCIAL - GENERAL
Primary Land Use	8081 VACANT GOVERNMENTAL : VACANT LAND
Beds / Baths / Half	0 / 0 / 0
Floors	0
Living Units	0
Actual Area	0 Sq.Ft
Living Area	0 Sq.Ft
Adjusted Area	0 Sq.Ft
Lot Size	2,700 Sq.Ft
Year Built	0



Assessment Information			
Year	2015	2014	2013
Land Value	\$62,100	\$62,100	\$48,600
Building Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
XF Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
Market Value	\$62,100	\$62,100	\$48,600
Assessed Value	\$58,806	\$53,460	\$48,600

Benefits Information				
Benefit	Type	2015	2014	2013
Non-Homestead Cap	Assessment Reduction	\$3,294	\$8,640	
Municipal	Exemption	\$58,806	\$53,460	\$48,600

Note: Not all benefits are applicable to all Taxable Values (i.e. County, School Board, City, Regional).

Taxable Value Information			
	2015	2014	2013
County			
Exemption Value	\$58,806	\$53,460	\$48,600
Taxable Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
School Board			
Exemption Value	\$62,100	\$62,100	\$48,600
Taxable Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
City			
Exemption Value	\$58,806	\$53,460	\$48,600
Taxable Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
Regional			
Exemption Value	\$58,806	\$53,460	\$48,600
Taxable Value	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Folio: 06-2230-007-0930

Property Address: 715 NE 125 ST

Roll Year 2015 Land, Building and Extra-Feature Details

Land Information					
Land Use	Muni Zone	PA Zone	Unit Type	Units	Calc Value
GENERAL	C-3	6000	Square Ft.	2,700.00	\$62,100

Building Information						
Building Number	Sub Area	Year Built	Actual Sq.Ft.	Living Sq.Ft.	Adj Sq.Ft.	Calc Value

Extra Features			
Description	Year Built	Units	Calc Value

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Property Information

Folio: 06-2230-007-0930

Property Address: 715 NE 125 ST

Roll Year 2014 Land, Building and Extra-Feature Details

Land Information					
Land Use	Muni Zone	PA Zone	Unit Type	Units	Calc Value
GENERAL	C-3	6000	Square Ft.	2,700.00	\$62,100

Building Information						
Building Number	Sub Area	Year Built	Actual Sq.Ft.	Living Sq.Ft.	Adj Sq.Ft.	Calc Value

Extra Features			
Description	Year Built	Units	Calc Value

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Folio: 06-2230-007-0930

Property Address: 715 NE 125 ST North Miami, FL 33161-5611

Roll Year 2013 Land, Building and Extra-Feature Details

Land Information					
Land Use	Muni Zone	PA Zone	Unit Type	Units	Calc Value
GENERAL	C-3	6000	Square Ft.	2,700.00	\$48,600

Building Information						
Building Number	Sub Area	Year Built	Actual Sq.Ft.	Living Sq.Ft.	Adj Sq.Ft.	Calc Value

Extra Features			
Description	Year Built	Units	Calc Value

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LOT 29 BLK 6
LOT SIZE 25.000 X 108
OR 19401-3019 1200 3

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