

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Economic Development Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE:
November 27, 2006

SUBJECT: Reprogramming of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds and Substantial Amendment to the 2004-2009 Consolidated Plan

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors amend the 2006-2007 One-Year Action Plan of the 2004-2009 Five-Year Consolidated Plan to include El Solano Apartments Rehabilitation, in the amount of \$1,000,000.

BACKGROUND: Coachella Valley Housing Coalition (CVHC), a California non-profit public benefit corporation, is requesting \$1,000,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the rehabilitation of an existing 40-unit rental housing complex in the city of Blythe, formerly owned by the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside. The project site is located at 170 South Spring Street in the city of Blythe and consists of 40 single-room occupancy studio units.
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Departmental Concurrence

Robin Zimpfer

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Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 1,000,000	In Current Year Budget:	YES
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	NO
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	06-07

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA: NO

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Community Development Block Grant	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: **APPROVE**

County Executive Office Signature

Janet Pugh

- Policy
- Consent
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- Dept't Recomm.:
- Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 3.8 of 5/9/06 **District:** 4 **Agenda Number:**

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BACKGROUND (continued):

CVHC acquired the property from the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside in 2003. The complex, which was built in the 1930s and expanded periodically through the 1950s, has a local level of significance, due to its architectural merits and its symbolic value to the community as a well-recognized landmark. The restoration of the complex to its historic landmark status requires extensive upgrading of the building in accordance with regulations included in various building codes, as well as the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Due to limited funds, CVHC has proposed to focus rehabilitation on essential repairs to sewer lines, plumbing, painting, flooring and structural improvements that would not affect the historic nature of the complex.

CVHC has received \$1,066,000 in HOME funds for site acquisition and operational reserve subsidy. Because CVHC is unable to receive low-income housing tax credits for this project, CVHC is requesting the County of Riverside to provide additional CDBG funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 to cover rehabilitation costs. An additional \$200,000 in funding will come from the city of Blythe Redevelopment Agency. The total cost for all acquisition and rehabilitation activities is estimated to be \$2,266,000.

Pursuant to 24 CFR 91.105, the Economic Development Agency published a thirty (30) day public notice (attached) notifying the public of the proposed amendments to the 2004-2009 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the 2006-2007 One-Year Action Plan.

PUBLIC NOTICE

November 3, 2006

Bob Buster, Chairman
Riverside County Board of Supervisors
County Administrative Center
4080 Lemon Street, 5th Floor
Riverside, California 92501

(951) 343-5454 Mervyn Manalo

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS:

The Riverside County Economic Development Agency hereby notifies concerned members of the public pursuant to *24 CFR 91.105 and 24 CFR 91.505* of its intent to amend the 2006-2007 One Year Action Plan of the 2004-2009 Consolidated Plan. This amendment reports on a substantial change to the Action Plan.

The following summary presents an overview of the proposed new activity for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) projects:

TITLE OF ACTIVITY AND AMOUNT: CDBG PROGRAM – EL SOLANO APARTMENTS IN THE CITY OF BLYTHE – Rehabilitation of a 40 unit single room occupancy housing apartment complex in the City of Blythe. Funding allocation: \$1,000,000.

It is anticipated that the Board of Supervisors will take action on the amendment at its regular meeting to be held on December 5, 2006, in the meeting room of the Board of Supervisors, Riverside County, Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California. Any interested person wishing to comment may submit written comments to Riverside County Economic Development Agency, 5555 Arlington Avenue, Riverside, CA 92504, Attention: Mervyn Manalo, Development Specialist by **December 4, 2006**, or may appear and be heard at the time of the hearing on December 5, 2006.