

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

February 18, 2005

Committee
Report No.

05-2

Honorable Chair and Members
of the County Council
County of Maui
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Budget and Finance Committee, having met on February 1, 2005, makes reference to County Communication No. 04-178, from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Manager, transmitting a copy of the CDBG Fact Sheet and Annual Action Plan Submission Schedule for the 2005 Program Year.

Your Committee notes that County Communication No. 04-178 was referred to the prior Council's Budget and Finance Committee at the Council meeting of July 27, 2004.

Your Committee further notes that on an annual basis, the County applies for grants from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), under its HUD-Assisted Small Cities CDBG Program. The grants are provided to assist local governments in meeting their community development needs, primarily benefiting low- and moderate-income persons and families.

By correspondence dated September 13, 2004, the CDBG Program Manager transmitted a document entitled "2005 County of Maui Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Proposal Application Packet".

By correspondence dated October 27, 2004, the CDBG Program Manager transmitted a proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FOR A GRANT UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM". The purpose of the proposed resolution is as follows:

- A. To authorize the Mayor or his representative to execute and file an application on behalf of the County of Maui with the HUD for a grant of \$2,404,518 to aid in the development of the following projects:

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APPLICANT	PROJECT	GRANT
1. County of Maui, Department of Public Works and Environmental Management	Curb ramps at various locations	\$520,000
2. County of Maui, Department of Fire and Public Safety	Lanai Wildland Urban Interface Fire Apparatus	\$450,000
3. Molokai General Hospital	Molokai General Hospital Phase II Redevelopment	\$500,000
4. County of Maui, Maui Police Department	MPD Emergency Incident Response Vehicles (Lanai)	\$59,000
5. Hale Mahaolu	Construction of the Hale Mahaolu Ehiku Senior Center	\$405,000
6. Family Life Center	Construction of Bathrooms for Homeless	\$75,917
7. CDBG Program Administration		\$394,601
	TOTAL:	\$2,404,518

- B. To authorize the Mayor or his representative to: (a) receive and accept any grant award; (b) execute and file all understandings and assurances contained therein; (c) furnish information as requested by the HUD in connection with the application which is authorized to be filed; (d) accept the grant upon its approval by the HUD; and (e) execute all documents necessary for the acceptance and implementation of any grant award received pursuant to the application filed.

- C. To authorize, since the grant amount may vary, that the grant shall be applicable to the amount or amounts specified in the notification of grant award or similar comparable document, and that such amounts may be expended if appropriated under the terms of the budget ordinance or any amendment made to the budget ordinance.

At its meeting of November 30, 2004, the Budget and Finance Committee recommended that County Communication No. 04-178 be referred to the Council

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Chair for the term beginning January 2, 2005, for a recommendation as to referral or other disposition.

By correspondence dated December 13, 2004, the CDBG Program Manager transmitted a revised proposed resolution to add the phrase "including any amendments thereto" at the end of the second "BE IT RESOLVED" clause, which is standard language for all resolutions involving grant funding.

By correspondence dated January 12, 2005, the CDBG Program Manager transmitted the following:

1. A revised proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FOR A GRANT UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM".

The purpose of the revised resolution remains the same as the original resolution transmitted by correspondence dated October 27, 2004. The revised resolution incorporates the final allocation from HUD, which reflects an unanticipated, across-the-board reduction of \$111,375 from HUD's planning estimate, from \$2,404,518 to \$2,293,143.

The revised allocation requires the following changes: (a) a reduction in funding for the Hale Mahaolu Project from \$405,000 to \$369,542; and (b) the deletion of the Family Life Center in the amount of \$75,917.

2. A document entitled "COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2005".
3. 2005 CDBG Project Proposal Executive Summaries.
4. A document entitled "Applications Received for CDBG Funding Screening & Evaluation Summary Program Year 2005".

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5. A document entitled "Program Administrative Account Budget".

At its meeting of January 21, 2005, the Council referred County Communication No. 04-178 to your Budget and Finance Committee (County Communication No. 05-12).

By correspondence dated January 26, 2005, the CDBG Program Manager transmitted copies of the project description narratives (exclusive of maps or referenced documents) for the proposed projects.

At its meeting of February 1, 2005, your Committee met with the CDBG Program Manager and the First Deputy Corporation Counsel.

The CDBG Program Manager provided a brief overview on the matter. She reported that this is the second year that the CDBG Program Office has used a competitive procurement process in reviewing proposed project applications. She noted that improvements have been made to the process that include the following: (a) a revised application packet; (b) an expanded community outreach effort to include publishing notices in the *Molokai Dispatch* and the *Lanai Times* in addition to *The Maui News*; (c) an adjustment to the application period to start earlier in the Fiscal Year; and (d) an increase in the evaluation panel from three to five members. The CDBG Program Manager further reported that the County's allotment for the 2005 CDBG program year is \$2,293,143.

The CDBG Program Manager briefly reviewed each of the recommended projects. She noted that Maui, Molokai and Lanai are represented by projects recommended this year.

Your Committee noted that the budget for CDBG Program Administration includes funding for an expansion position to address the needs of the CDBG program, and is recommended by the Regional HUD office.

Your Committee voted to recommend adoption of the revised proposed resolution with a total grant amount of \$2,293,143, and filing of the communication.

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Your Budget and Finance Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Resolution No. _____, as revised herein and attached hereto, entitled "AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FOR A GRANT UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM", be ADOPTED; and

2. That County Communication No. 04-178 be FILED.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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