

Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Request

Date of Meeting: March 15, 2010

Date Submitted: February 26, 2010

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Benjamin H. Pingree, County Administrator
Lindsay Stevens, Assistant County Administrator
Alfred Nelson, Housing Director
Jerry Nuss, WAP Coordinator

Subject: Request Board Consideration and Approval to Accept the Modification to the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) and WAP Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Contract

Statement of Issue:

This agenda item requests Board consideration and approval to accept the modification to the WAP/WAP LIHEAP Contract, from the State of Florida, Department of Community Affairs, and U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Contract #: 09LH-7K-02-75-01-036.

Background:

The Weatherization Assistance Program assists low income households with energy efficiency and air infiltration measures. The program may be used to pay for improvements that increase the energy efficiency of the home; including insulation, weather-stripping, and in some cases safety-related repairs. WAP/WAP LIHEAP is a biannually awarded, federally funded non-competitive grant, which requires no matching funds.

This Agreement provides no additional funding for the WAP/WAP LIHEAP. The modification to the Agreement sets the date of August 15, 2010, for all non American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) WAP funds to be expended. The original WAP/WAP LIHEAP Agreement was funded for \$103,600.00 and approximately \$51,000.00 of these funds remains unspent. This WAP funding allocation is part of the normal biannual award to cities, counties, and agencies from the supplemental funding made available from the first stimulus package passed by Congress in 2008, and is not a part of the 2010/11 ARRA WAP stimulus funding Agreement.

Analysis:

This agenda item requests Board consideration, acceptance, and approval of the contract modifications for the WAP/WAP LIHEAP. Approval of this contract modification will fund the County WAP/WAP LIHEAP Program which enables eligible families to receive needed weatherization assistance for improvements to increase the energy efficiency of their home. The County Attorney has reviewed and approved this item.

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Options:

1. Approve the acceptance of the Weatherization Assistance Program and Weatherization Assistance Program Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program Contract modification.
2. Do not approve the acceptance of the Weatherization Assistance Program and Weatherization Assistance Program Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program Contract modification.
3. Board direction.

Recommendation:

Option #1

Attachments:

1. Modification Agreement.
2. WAP LIHEAP Funding Agreement 09LH-7K-02-75-01-036