



Office of the City Administrator

Odie Donald, II MBA
Administrator

January 18, 2022

Mr. Hawthorne Welcher
Housing Community & Development Director
510 Fenwick Street
Augusta, GA 30901

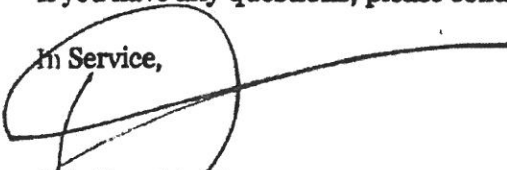
Dear Director Welcher:

At the regular meeting Tuesday, January 18, 2022, The Augusta, Georgia Commission took action on the following:

7. Approved a motion to accept the 2021 CDBG COVID grant from the GA DCA and authorize the Mayor to execute the grant award and required documents. (Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 11, 2022)
9. Approved a motion to approve Augusta, Georgia's receipt of FY2021 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant, to include: a) accept FY2021 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant; b) authorize a Commission Resolution authorizing the Lead Grantee (Augusta, Georgia's) Chief Executive Officer to sign the HUD form-1044; c) provide Mayor authorization to sign Grant Agreement and related documents d) allow City Administrator to move forward with implementation of recommended usage plan; and e) instruct Finance Department to make necessary budget adjustments to add available funding to FY2022 Budget for immediate use and implementation. (Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 11, 2022)

If you have any questions, please contact me.

In Service,



Odie Donald, II
Administrator

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Motions

Motion Type	Motion Text	Made By	Seconded By	Motion Result
Approve	Motion to approve. Motion Passes 10-0.	Commissioner Sean Frantom	Commissioner Ben Hasan	Passes

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- Item Action:**
Approved

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10. Motion to approve Bid Award No. 22-290 for Central Services Department for Janitorial Services for various locations for the year 2022 in the amount of \$42,784.80 to be performed by JP Logistics Solutions, LLC and Ascential Group, Inc. (Approved by Administrative Services Committee January 11, 2022)
- Item Action:**
Approved

[Janitorial Services Finance BO.pdf](#)



Commission Meeting Agenda

1/18/2022 2:00 PM

Augusta's receipt of FY2021 Choice Neighborhood Planning Grant

Department: Housing & Community Development

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Background: On July 1, 2021, the Augusta Commission authorized the Administrator to pursue the FY2021 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant with Augusta, GA as the lead applicant in partnership with the Augusta Housing Authority (AHA), the Augusta Land Bank Authority, the MCG Foundation, and the Augusta Housing and Community Development Authority (HCD) among others. Choice Neighborhood Planning Grants assist communities in developing comprehensive neighborhood revitalization plans focused on redeveloping a severely distressed public housing or HUD-assisted housing project, improving outcomes for the families that live there, and improving amenities in the neighborhood.

Analysis: The FY2021 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant will assist Augusta, Georgia in developing comprehensive neighborhood revitalization plans focused on redeveloping a severely distressed public housing or HUD-assisted housing project, improving outcomes for the families that live there, and improving amenities in the neighborhood.

Financial Impact: The FY2021 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant funding from the US Housing and Urban Development Department consists of a Grant Award of \$450,000.00 and leverage / matching fund contributions of \$325,000.00.

Alternatives:

Recommendation: Approve Augusta, Georgia's receipt of FY2021 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant, to include: a) accept FY2021 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant; b) authorize a Commission Resolution authorizing the Lead Grantee (Augusta, Georgia's) Chief Executive Officer to sign the HUD form-1044; c) provide Mayor authorization to sign Grant Agreement and related documents d) allow City Administrator to move forward with implementation of recommended usage plan; and e) instruct Finance Department to make necessary budget adjustments to add available funding to FY2022 Budget for immediate use and implementation.

Funds are Available in the Following Accounts: 1.FY2021 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant funding in the amount of \$450,000 2.Related Leverage / Match funding in the amount of \$325,000

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

ROBERT TYRE JONES, JR.
President In Perpetuity

CLIFFORD ROBERTS
Chairman In Memoriam

WILLIAM PORTER PAYNE
Chairman Emeritus

FRED S. RIDLEY
Chairman



July 2, 2021

Mr. Odie Donald II
Administrator
City of Augusta
535 Telfair Street
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Augusta, GA 30901

Dear Mr. Donald,

On behalf of the membership and employees of Augusta National Golf Club, I wish to convey our full and ongoing support of the City of Augusta and Augusta Housing Authority's application for a HUD FY2021 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant.

Serving the community that has generously and loyally supported us for so many years is at the heart of our mission of Augusta National. As part of this commitment, it is our honor to work closely with our local partners at the Community Foundation for the CSRA and elsewhere to advance the transformational development plan for the Laney-Walker Harrisburg neighborhood.

This Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant would provide meaningful, needed resources for the project and, by doing so, help create important opportunities for these historically underserved neighborhoods and their residents. To demonstrate our support, Augusta National will commit \$50,000, matching the donation by the Community Foundation for the CSRA. These funds are solely to assist the planning process and the planning coordinator of the initiative.

We remain excited about this opportunity to invest not only in the transformation of the Laney-Walker Harrisburg neighborhood, but also in the growth and future of the greater community. Thank you for your consideration of this worthy application and for your shared commitment to the City of Augusta.

Sincerely,


Fred S. Ridley

