



Agenda Abstract

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date:	May 13, 2024
Department:	Community Services
Agenda Section:	Consent
Public hearing:	No
Date of public hearing:	N/A

PRESENTER/INFORMATION CONTACT

Matt Efird, Assistant Town Manager

ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED

Subject: Fiscal Year 2024-25 HOME Annual Action Plan and Program Design for Orange County, North Carolina

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. FY2024-25 Annual Action Plan Draft
3. FY2024-25 Annual Action Plan Summary

Summary:

Every year, state and local governments ("Participating Jurisdictions") that receive HOME Investment Partnerships Program ("HOME") funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") are required to complete an Annual Action Plan that lays out how they will allocate HUD funds for the upcoming program year in order to address the goals and priorities in the Consolidated Plan. A summary of the draft Annual Action Plan for FY2024-25 is attached.

Orange County is a special type of Participating Jurisdiction, called a Consortium, consisting of Orange County and the Towns of Carrboro, Chapel Hill, and Hillsborough. Orange County serves as the lead entity for the Orange County HOME Consortium. The Consortium completed the Annual Action Plan based on the HOME award recommendations made by the Local Government Affordable Housing Collaborative, detailed in the section below.

A public comment period, as required by HUD, was held April 1 – May 2, 2024 and a public hearing was held on the draft Annual Action Plan at the April 16, 2024 Orange County Board of County Commissioners meeting. Public notice of the hearing was posted in The Herald Sun and La Noticia. Staff posted copies of the draft Annual Action Plan on the Orange County Housing Department website and circulated a link to the website and draft plan by public notice in the newspapers listed above. Staff conducted outreach by email to over 100 housing and homeless service providers nonprofit organizations, government entities, elected officials, and interested residents. All comments will be incorporated into the final Annual Action Plan to be submitted to HUD.

HUD requires staff to submit the FY2024-25 Annual Action Plan on or before May 15, 2024.

This action is consistent with FY2024-26 Strategic Plan: Economic Vitality Objective 5 (Develop policies and invest in projects that contribute to meeting identified affordable housing needs in town), and Comprehensive Sustainability Plan: Housing & Affordability recommended actions.

Financial impacts:

No direct financial impact on the town.

Staff recommendation and comments:

Staff recommends authorization for the town manager and staff to complete the HOME funding approval process.

Action requested:

Staff requests adoption of the attached resolution.