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Commission Meeting Minutes September 17, 2020

In Attendance: Commissioners David DeVoy and Hunter Taylor (electronically). Also in attendance was Debra Shackett, County Administrator.

There informational document for the CDBG-CV grant was available to the public on the County website and at the hearing.

CDBG-CV Public Hearing: Commissioner DeVoy opened the public hearing at 5:28pm. Donna Lane read the following: Community Development Block Grant funds are available to municipalities through the NH Community Development Finance Authority. Up to \$500,000 annually is available for economic development projects, up to \$500,000 for public facility, up to \$500,000 for housing projects, and up to \$500,000 for emergency activities. Up to \$25,000 is available per planning study grant. All projects must directly benefit a majority of low and moderate income persons. Community Development Block Grant-COVID (CDBG-CV) funds were authorized under the CARES ACT. Up to \$500,000 in CDBG-CV funding is available to municipalities. Funding is available to municipalities for new services; or a quantifiable increase in the level of a service above that which has been provided during the 12 months prior to application, both which must be attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic. CDBG-CV funding is also available to nonprofit public service organizations, as sub applicants to the municipality, for activities associated with preparing for, responding to, or recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic. Activities must serve primarily low and moderate income persons.

This is an application for CDBG-CV Public Service. Eligible expenses for the municipality include, but not limited to, increased welfare costs, increased homeless housing costs, and new services provided by the municipality attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible nonprofit public service expenses include costs preparing for, responding to, or recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic including, but not limited to, childcare services, food banks, senior services, services for persons with disabilities, legal services, resident services, youth services, transportation services, health, mental health and substance abuse services, financial literacy, foreclosure and homebuyer counseling, homeless services, education outside of school building, tutoring, furniture, equipment, and additional services provided.

CDBG-CV Requests:

Belknap County			
	Navigating Recovery		Expanded Outreach Staffing, Computer
Navigating Recovery	(Addiction)	\$50,380	Program
Boys & Girls Club	Boys & Girls Club	\$30,000	Childcare
	Lakes Region Mental		
LRMHC Mental Health	Health	\$21,895	Kiosks-minimize contact
	Partnership for Public		
Partnership PH	Health	\$91,500	Staff
Horizons CC	Horizon Counseling	\$64,000	Staff
Greater CAC	Child Advocacy Center	\$50,000	Services & Materials
Administration		\$25,000	
Total		\$332,775	

Commissioner DeVoy asked for public comment. Mike Sylvia, Belmont asked where the money comes from. Donna Lane stated it is HUD funds. Mr. Sylvia asked about the process for spending and receiving the grant money. County Administrator Shackett stated the County would pay for the grant administrator and be reimbursed.

M/DeVoy to approve the submittal of the CDBG-CV application and to authorize the County Administrator to sign and submit the CDBG-CV application, and upon approval of the CDBG-CV application, authorize the County Administrator to execute any documents which may be necessary to effectuate the CDBG-CV contract, and any amendments thereto, S/Taylor. County Administrator Shackett called roll: DeVoy-yes and Taylor-yes. Unanimous. **Motion passed.**

<u>Public Comment:</u> Mr. Sylvia suggested the Board correct their process for previously signed documents. Commissioner DeVoy stated Attorney Fitzgerald had viewed the process and said it was ok.

Non-Public per RSA 91-A:3, II (a): M/DeVoy to enter into non-public per RSA 91-A:3, II (a) for personnel matters, S/Taylor. County Administrator Shackett called roll: DeVoy-yes and Taylor-yes. Unanimous. Motion passed. At 5:45pm the Board entered non-public session.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at the conclusion of the non-public session.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ellsworth

Administrative Assistant