

City of Delray Beach

100 N.W. 1st Avenue Delray Beach, FL 33444

Cover Memorandum/Staff Report

TO: CRA Board of Commissioners FROM: Alexina Jeannite, Grant Manager

THROUGH: Renée A. Jadusingh, Esq., Executive Director

DATE: May 26, 2020

PAINT-UP & SIGNAGE FUNDING AGREEMENT - ANDREW LUCHEY (107-109 SW 9TH AVENUE & 822-824 SW 1ST STREET)

Recommended Action:

Approve a Paint-Up & Signage funding assistance agreement with Andrew Luchey, for the proposed exterior painting improvements at 107-109 SW 9th Avenue and 822-824 SW 1st Street, within CRA sub-area #8, for an amount not to exceed \$3,042.50.

Background:

The Paint-Up & Signage Program was originally established by the Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) in 2007 to encourage existing building owners or tenants to improve the exterior of their buildings through a new coat of paint, and was later expanded to include signage. The program helps to enhance the aesthetics of the Northwest and Southwest neighborhoods by facilitating minor cosmetic improvements such as exterior painting and signage projects, with a maximum possible grant award of \$5,000.00.

Funding assistance is being requested for exterior painting and pressure cleaning of two duplexes located at 107-109 SW 9th Avenue and 822-824 SW 1st Street. The properties are multifamily properties owned by Andrew Luchey. Mr. Luchey is also the owner of several other properties in Delray Beach; is the President of A & Associates, a local temporary staffing firm; and actively serves on community-based boards and councils.

The applicant is requesting CRA funding assistance through the Paint-Up & Signage Program, which offers to pay 50% of eligible exterior painting, pressure cleaning, and signage costs, up to \$5,000.00. Based on the lower of two bids submitted by the applicant, the proposed painting improvements have an estimated cost of \$3,160.00 and \$2,925.00, respectively (which total \$6,085.00). As such, the applicant is eligible to receive total funding assistance for an amount not to exceed \$3,042.50. As advised by the City of Delray Beach Development Services Department, a Color Change Application is not required because the structures each have fewer than three (3) units and are not commercial properties. If the funding request is approved, the CRA will remit payment directly to the painting contractor after the improvements have been completed, subject to receiving verification that the applicant has paid for their portion of the project costs. If approved, the it is anticipated that the project will be fully completed by August 2020.

A Paint-Up & Signage Award would help further the CRA mission by assisting with the cost of exterior improvements, thereby eliminating blighted conditions in Sub-Area #8 of the CRA District.

Attachments: Exhibit A - Location Map; Exhibit B - Photos of Existing Conditions and Color Samples; Exhibit C - Grant Detail Sheet; Exhibit D - Paint-Up & Signage Funding Program Guidelines.

CRA Attorney Review:

N/A

Finance Review:

Reviewed by Lori Hayward, CRA Finance & Operation Director.

Funding Source/Financial Impact:

\$3,042.50 allocated from General Ledger #7313 - CRA Grant Programs (Paint-Up & Signage)