



## Cover Memorandum/Staff Report

**File #:** 18-0871 CRA

**Agenda Date:** 8/31/2021

**Item #:** 8G.

**TO:** CRA Board of Commissioners  
**FROM:** Alexina Jeannite, Community Engagement Director  
**THROUGH:** Renée A. Jadusingh, Esq., Executive Director  
**DATE:** August 31, 2021

### **PAINT-UP & SIGNAGE FUNDING AGREEMENT - MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH OF DELRAY BEACH, INC. (40 NW 4<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE)**

#### **Recommended Action:**

Approve a Paint-Up & Signage funding assistance agreement with Mt. Olive Baptist Church of Delray Beach, Inc. for the proposed exterior painting improvements at 40 NW 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, within CRA sub-area #8, for an amount not to exceed \$5,000.

#### **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.

Founded in 1896, Mt. Olive Baptist Church of Delray Beach, Inc. ("Mt. Olive") is one of the City of Delray Beach's first churches. Located in the West Settlers Historic District, the church is an anchor in the community and continues to meet the diverse needs of local residents. Mt. Olive is requesting 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. Based on the two estimates submitted by the applicant, the proposed painting improvements have an estimated cost of \$18,102 and \$19,500, respectively. As such, because 50% of the lowest bid exceeds the funding limit, the applicant is eligible to receive total funding assistance for the maximum amount of \$5,000. A color change approval is not required for this project because the building will be painted the same color. 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 applicant anticipates that the project will be fully completed by October 31, 2021.

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 - Funding 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:**

\$5,000 allocated from General Ledger #7313 - CRA Grant Programs (Paint-Up & Signage)