

Department:

Department of Community Planning, Housing, and Development and the Department of Human Services

Recommendation:

Allocate up to \$2.3 million from the Affordable Housing Investment Fund to pay debt service for Buckingham Village III; adopt a comprehensive affordable housing program of approximately \$45 million. Evaluate feasibility of enacting ordinance to make Relocation Guidelines mandatory within current legislative authority, and request additional legislation if needed for additional authority.

Goal:

To provide a comprehensive affordable housing program that addresses the specialized needs for workforce housing, low income residents, seniors, families, and those with special needs.

Priorities for FY 2009

- **Buckingham Villages** - Complete Phase I construction of 100 new, committed affordable units in Village I; begin renovation of Village III, to achieve at least 140 committed, affordable, historically preserved units; continue acquisition of 60 near-by units. Approximately \$2.3 million will be allocated from the Affordable Housing Investment Fund to pay debt service for the acquisition of Village III. Actual amounts will be determined through negotiation with a developer partner in spring 2008.
- **Arlington Assisted Living Residence** – Achieve substantial completion of the Arlington Assisted Living Residence (AALR) to provide 52 units of assisted living housing for low-income seniors with serious mental illness, intellectual and/or physical disabilities. Capital funding of \$6.5 million has been appropriated from a variety of sources. Operating funding of \$1.5 to \$2.0 million per year will be needed as part of the FY 2010 budget.
- **Pilot program for County and Schools employees** – Using \$1 million raised through developer contributions along the Rosslyn-Ballston corridor, implement a pilot program to provide assistance to County and School employees who are low and moderate income, first time homebuyers.

Ongoing Affordable Housing programs can be found in the departments within which they are managed.

Funding Information for Ongoing Affordable Housing Programs	FY 2008	FY 2009
Expense:		
Homeownership Services	391,720	383,111
Housing Services: Housing Information Center/Tenant-Landlord/Relocation	399,354	483,564
Neighborhood Strategy Areas (NSA) Outreach/Field Team	183,700	189,600
Fair Housing	87,850	89,100
Code Enforcement	120,063	181,753

FY 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET STRATEGIC PRIORITIES
AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Funding Information for Ongoing Affordable Housing Programs	FY 2008	FY 2009
Housing Planning	248,718	249,175
Section 8 Program	15,381,136	16,018,100
Housing Grants*	4,367,515	4,372,195
Homeowners' Grant	2,164,488	2,164,488
Real Estate Tax Relief for the Elderly and Disabled	4,000,000	4,500,000
Affordable Housing Investment Fund (AHIF)	5,428,412	6,227,932
Buckingham Village 3	0	2,300,000
Other projects	5,428,412	3,927,932
Housing Division and Housing Development Section	957,083	1,128,878
Housing Development (AHC, APAH, RPJ & L'Arche)	197,600	197,600
AHC Rehabilitation Program	190,000	190,000
Volunteer Home Repair Program	41,000	41,000
Homeless Shelter Programs**	2,086,668	2,433,475
Mental Health Residential Services	3,549,706	3,644,498
Intellectual and Developmental Disability Residential Services	2,496,388	2,845,433
Total Expense	\$42,291,401	\$45,339,902
Total Revenue	\$19,960,913	\$20,472,846
Net Tax Support	\$22,330,488	\$24,867,056

* Funding for housing subsidies only; excludes staff support costs. Also includes Project Based Rental Assistance and Transitional Housing Grants.

** Includes staff (2.0 FTEs) and related operating expenditures.