

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: MARCH 28, 2016

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 13

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN FORSYTH COUNTY AND MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED IN THE COUNTY TO RENEW AND EXTEND FORSYTH COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH HOUSING CONSORTIUM FOR THE PERIOD 2017-2019
(FORSYTH COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)**

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

Every three years Forsyth County is required to renew the HOME Consortium Agreement with its partners, the City of Winston-Salem, and the other participating municipalities within Forsyth County. All members of the Consortium will automatically renew their membership unless its participants notify the County in writing of their Board Members' decision not to renew. As a participant in the HOME Consortium, the County Department of Housing and Community Development is requesting authorization and approval to participate in the next term beginning in 2017 and ending at the end of 2019.

The funds received by Forsyth County through the HOME Consortium over the last 18 years have averaged \$215,504 on an annual basis. A total of \$3,501,518 have been used for down payment assistance, housing rehabilitation, and as leverage for large rental construction projects.

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: _____

J. Kimberly Watter, Jr.
COUNTY MANAGER

DATE: March 23, 2016

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WHEREAS, the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 created the HOME Investment Partnership Program; and

WHEREAS, the HOME Program authorizes multiple governmental units to join together to form a consortium and thereby qualify for a HOME formula grant; and

WHEREAS, the original Winston-Salem/Forsyth Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy and subsequent consolidated plans proposed that such a consortium will facilitate regional and intergovernmental cooperation and accomplish goals of the Common Vision's Plan; and

WHEREAS, the funds received by Forsyth County through the HOME Consortium over the last 18 years have averaged \$215,504 on an annual basis and a total of \$3,501,518 have been used for down payment assistance, housing rehabilitation, and as leverage for large rental construction projects; and

WHEREAS, every three years Forsyth County is required to renew the HOME Consortium Agreement with its partners, the City of Winston-Salem, and the other participating municipalities within Forsyth County; and

WHEREAS, as a participant in the HOME Consortium, the County Department of Housing and Community Development is requesting authorization and approval to participate in the next term beginning in 2017 and ending at the end of 2019; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. 160A-461, agreements between units of local government in this State must be ratified by resolution of the governing board of each unit and spread upon each unit's minutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners that the interlocal agreement to renew and extend participation by Forsyth County in the Winston-Salem/Forsyth Housing Consortium for the period 2017-2019 is hereby ratified as required by N.C.G.S. 160A-461.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman or County Manager and the Clerk to the Board are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents, on behalf of Forsyth County, to participate in the Winston-Salem/Forsyth Housing Consortium for the period 2017-2019, subject to a pre-audit certificate thereon by the County Chief Financial Officer, if applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution ratifying interlocal cooperation is hereby spread upon the minutes of the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this the 28th day of March 2016.



Winston-Salem

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**COUNTY MANAGER'S/
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE**

Mr. Dudley Watts
County Manager
Forsyth County
201 North Chestnut Street
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Dear Mr. Watts:

It is time to renew the HOME Consortium Agreement for the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Housing Consortium for the upcoming period 2017 to 2019. The Consortium Agreement contains an automatic renewal clause provision. The City, as the lead entity, hereby notifies the County that the County has the right not to participate in the successive qualification period. If the County chooses not to renew its participation, it must notify the City in writing by April 30, 2016 and include a resolution of the Governing Body to that effect. Otherwise, the agreement will renew for the three-year period.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mellin Parker at mellinp@cityofwsw.org or (336) 734-1310.

Sincerely,

Lee D. Garrity
City Manager

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Daniel W. Kornelis, Housing and Community Development Director
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Mellin L. Parker, CBD Planning Senior Project Supervisor

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