

July 24, 2009

EXHIBIT "A"

**CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH
PROPOSED SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE
CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND THE
2008-2009 ONE YEAR ACTION PLAN FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF
THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009
AND ACTION PLAN**

PROPOSED SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS BY ACTIVITY

<u>Funds Expected To Be Available</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
Recovery Act/CDBG-R	\$295,501
<u>Activities To Be Undertaken/CDBG-R</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Public Improvements-Purchase of trees and other required materials for the Northwest Neighborhood Streetscape Improvements	\$295,501

ACTION PLAN AND SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT

1. This Action Plan Amendment will address priority needs and objectives.
2. In accordance with the requirements of Title XII of Division A and Section 1602 of the Recovery Act, the City has selected a project that can award bids within 120 calendar days from the date the funds are made available to the City.
3. Targeted areas for the Northwest Neighborhood Streetscape Improvements are Tamarind Avenue, Division Avenue and Sapodilla Avenue between 3rd Street and Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard.
4. It is estimated that the Northwest Neighborhood Streetscape improvements will provide 5 full-time construction, landscaping and maintenance jobs.
5. This project was selected because it can be started and completed expeditiously and includes the goal of using at least 50% of the funds that can be initiated no later than 120 days after the funds are received.
6. The \$295,501 will be used to purchase trees and other required materials for the Northwest Neighborhood Streetscape Improvements. Funding for installation of the improvements as well as any additional funding required will be provided by the City of West Palm Beach Community Redevelopment Agency or the City of West Palm Beach.

Requirements for the Distribution and Uses of the Recovery Act Funds

National Objective

The Northwest Neighborhood Streetscape Improvements is intended to meet the National Objective of benefitting a low- or moderate-income area where at least 51% of the residents are low and moderate income persons pursuant to 24 CFR 570.208(a)(1).

The Northwest Neighborhood is within Census Tract 24 where 85 % of the residents are low and moderate income persons.

These activities will be carried out by the City's Department of Engineering Services and the Community Redevelopment Agency, currently located at City Hall, 401 Clematis Street, West Palm Beach, Florida, 33401.

The expected start date will be September 2009, pending HUD approval, and the expected finish date will be June 2010.

This Action Plan and Substantial Amendment will be considered by the City of West Palm Beach City Commission on August 3, 2009, at 4:00 p.m., City Hall, 401 Clematis Street, West Palm Beach, Florida. The Action Plan and Substantial Amendment will become final after the review and approval of the City of West Palm Beach City Commission. All referenced documents will be on file for public inspection at the Housing and Community Development Department, City Hall, 401 Clematis Street, Third Floor, West Palm Beach, Florida, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.; telephone (561) 822-1250.

All interested agencies, groups and persons who wish to comment on the proposed changes are invited to submit written comments to the Department of Housing and Community Development, City of West Palm Beach, P.O. Box 3366, West Palm Beach, FL 33402. Such written comments should be received on or before 5:00 p.m. July 31, 2009. Any resident of the jurisdiction requiring a special accommodation should contact the Department of Housing and Community Development at least three calendar days prior to the Public Hearing so that assistance can be provided.

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