

OPENING OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

PUBLIC NOTICE

PROPOSED STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES AND USE OF LOAN FUNDS UNDER SECTION 108 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, AND AMENDMENT TO FAIRFAX COUNTY CONSOLIDATED PLAN ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2010 TO INCORPORATE FUNDING AND ACTIVITIES UNDER THIS SECTION 108 PROPOSED STATEMENT

March 27, 2010

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS:

On April 27, 2010, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors (Board) will consider a Proposed Statement of Objectives and Use of Loan Funds (Loan application) under Section 108 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as Amended. Section 108 is the loan guarantee provision of the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Upon approval of the Loan application by the Board and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), \$6,535,000 in loan funds will be made available to reimburse the County as pre-award costs for eligible costs incurred on projects previously approved by the Board and completed in the construction of neighborhood public infrastructure improvements in the Bailey's and James Lee Conservation Areas, located in the Bailey's Crossroads and Falls Church areas of the County, and in the Fairhaven, Gum Springs, and Jefferson Manor Conservation Areas, located in the southern part of the County. The Loan would be repaid using available Community Development Block Grant funds and would be for a term of up to 20 years as usually allowed under HUD Section 108 policies.

The purpose of this notice is to provide an opportunity for public comment on this Section 108 Loan application, which is consistent with an earlier application for these public improvements, and the proposed amendment to the Fairfax County Consolidated Plan One-Year Action Plan for FY 2010 to incorporate funding for the activities described above under the Section 108 Loan application. The provision of this opportunity for public comment is in accordance with the County's Citizen Participation Plan for the County's Consolidated Plan that includes this federal funding through HUD.

The Consolidated Plan is an application requirement of HUD as a condition of receiving certain federal funding. The Plan identifies Fairfax County's overall needs for affordable and supportive housing, for homeless shelters and services, for community and economic development, and for building public and private partnerships. The proposed Section 108 Loan application funding will have no adverse impact on any of the projects and activities already approved by the Board under the One-Year Action Plan for FY 2010.

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Copies of the Loan application will be available for review on March 27, 2010, online at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/rha> and at the Citizen Information Desk located on the lobby level

of the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22035. Copies will be available for review 1) at the Fairfax County Department of Housing and Community Development, 3700 Pender Drive, Suite 300, Fairfax, Virginia 22030 or 8350 Richmond Highway, Suite 527, Alexandria, Virginia 22309, 2) at the information desk of the County Government Center at 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22035, and 3) at the information desk of all branches of the Fairfax County Public Library system; or by calling Stephen Knippler of the Real Estate Finance and Grants Management Division at 703-246-5170 (TTY: 703-385-3578). All of the above mentioned locations are accessible to persons with disabilities.

For additional information or to write comments, citizens should please contact the Fairfax County Department of Housing and Community Development, Attention: Stephen Knippler, Real Estate Finance and Grants Management Division, 3700 Pender Drive, Fairfax, Virginia 22030-6039 (telephone: 703-246-5170, fax: 703-246-5115, e-mail: stephen.knippler@fairfaxcounty.gov, or TTY: 703-385-3578). Written comments should be received at the above Pender Drive building address or e-mail address no later than **April 26, 2010**. If comments are received, they will be considered and a summary of comments will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors. At its regular meeting on **April 27, 2010**, the Board will take action on the proposed Section 108 Loan application and the proposed Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plan amendment.

Fairfax County is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination in all County programs, services and activities and will provide reasonable accommodations upon request. To request special accommodations call 703-246-5101 or TTY 703-385-3578. Please allow seven working days in advance of the event in order to make the necessary arrangements.

