

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT: State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Request to Approve the Technical Revision to the Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) for State FY 2019/2020, 2020/2021, 2021/2022 (Staff Recommends Approval).

REQUESTED ACTION: **Staff Recommends Approval.**

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting **DATE OF MEETING:** 1/11/2022

CONTRACT: N/A Vendor/Entity: _____
 Effective Date: _____ Termination Date: _____
 Managing Division / Dept.: **Housing / Economic Development**

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: SHIP 2019/2020, 2020/2021, 2021/2022

Type: N/A **EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:** N/A

HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:

The State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) is a program created through a dedicated trust fund for housing. The funds are distributed through the Florida Housing Finance Corporation and are based on revenues from Documentary Stamps for all approved counties and entitlement cities in Florida. Revenue is also generated from payments made by previous housing recipients.

Sumter County must develop a new Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) every three years to comply with Florida Statutes § 420.9075. The Board of Sumter County Commissioners (BOCC) approved the SHIP LHAP for State Fiscal Years 2019-2022 on January 22, 2019.

The BOCC approved the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee’s 2021 Incentive Review and Recommendation Report on December 14, 2021. The report included the approval of two incentive recommendations. As required by Florida Statutes § 420.9076(6), the local government must submit an amendment to the LHAP to incorporate the incentives.

The following two incentives are included in the LHAP: Incentive B. All allowable fee waivers provided for the development or construction of Affordable Housing. The BOCC will provide an impact fee waiver to non-profit housing providers and affordable housing specially designated for households whose income is at or below 120% of the area median income guidelines used for the SHIP program only if the cities concurrently waive their impact, capacity, and connection fees for the project.

Incentive J: The preparation of a printed inventory of locally owned public lands suitable for affordable housing. Concurrent to the BOCC proposed action to request transferring property to a Community Housing Partner, a notice on the BOCC’s website will be posted of that intention.

The revision is located in Section III, LHAP Incentive Strategies. No informational content in the LHAP was altered otherwise.

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The LHAP amendment will be presented to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) at their next regularly scheduled meeting. The LHAP will be sent to Florida Housing Finance Corporation for final approval after the BOCC meeting.

Housing Services is requesting approval of the amendment to the LHAP 2019-2022.

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Grammarly Check