

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2020-R-20

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PEMBROKE PINES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S CITIZENS PARTICIPATION PLAN PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND THE IN-PERSON MEETING REQUIREMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM ("CDBG"); PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Pembroke Pines (the "City"), has been designated as an "Entitlement City" by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), which entitles the City to receive an annual allocation of Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds directly from HUD to implement housing and community development projects throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, The City has received an additional allocation of funds related to the CARES Act to combat COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, In order to receive these funds, the City must amend its Citizens Participation Plan; and

WHEREAS, Given the need to expedite actions to respond to COVID-19, HUD waived 24 CFR 91.105 (c)(2) and (k), 91.115(c) (2) and (i) in order to balance the need to respond quickly to the growing spread and effects of COVID-19 with the statutory requirement to provide reasonable notice and opportunity for citizens to comment on substantial amendments concerning the proposed uses of CDBG, HOME, HTF, HOPWA, or ESG funds; and

WHEREAS, certain in-person meetings are not required under Florida Statutes and State Executive Orders, related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

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WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that amending the Citizens Participation Plan by specifically amending the public comment period and in-person meeting requirement as attached hereto as Exhibit “A” is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens and residents of the City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PEMBROKE PINES:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. The City Commission hereby adopts the amended Citizens Participation Plan by specifically amending the public comment period and in-person meeting requirement as attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

Section 3. All resolutions inconsistent or in conflict herewith shall be and are hereby repealed insofar as there is conflict or inconsistency.

Section 4. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

Section 5. This resolution shall become effective upon its passage and adoption by the City Commission.

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**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF
PEMBROKE PINES, FLORIDA, THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2020.**

CITY OF PEMBROKE PINES, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

**BY: _____
MAYOR FRANK C. ORTIS**

MARLENE D. GRAHAM, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

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CHANZES	_____
GOOD	_____
SCHWARTZ	_____
SIPLE	_____