

TOWN OF DAVIE

TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM/PHONE: Shirley Taylor-Prakelt, Director
Housing & Community Development, 797-1199

SUBJECT: Resolution

AFFECTED DISTRICT: BCHA Programs Benefits all Davie Residents.

TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM: A Resolution of the Town of Davie, Florida, authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement between the Town of Davie and the Broward County Housing Authority (BCHA) Waiving the Payment In Lieu of Property Taxes (PILOT) in exchange for in-kind services and donations; and providing an effective date.

REPORT IN BRIEF: Pursuant to State Statute 421, the Town historically waives the Payment in Lieu of Property Taxes (PILOT) on the two affordable housing projects owned by the BCHA, in return for in-kind services and donations. Housing Authorities are not-for-profit entities that rely on government subsidies for their operational costs; therefore, municipalities waive PILOT costs as a means of furthering affordable housing opportunities for their residents living in Public Housing.

The Town has a wonderful working relationship with the BCHA, evidenced by the partnership formed under the "Harmony Village Community Plan", wherein the BCHA accelerated its plans to pressure-clean and repaint all 100 units at Ehlinger Apt's , upgraded the landscaping, and provided new entrance signage. The central air-conditioning project which is jointly funded by the BCHA and the Town, is addressing the number one "quality of life complaint" cited by the residents.

Under the terms of our current PILOT Agreement, the BCHA donates 3,700 square feet in two of the buildings at Ehlinger, for use by the Davie Boys & Girls Club. The BCHA has pledged to continue their donation of these facilities after the Boys & Girls Club moves to the new facility; and, these buildings will house a Learning Center and/or Child Day Care Center. The value of this donation is \$40,000+-. Housing counseling is also provided to 30 residents annually @ \$390 each, for a total of \$11,700 in in-kind services. The BCHA recently installed the "Power-Up" Computer Center, which provides InterNet Access to area children for school/homework use.

The BCHA also owns/operates Griffin Gardens Apt's, 100 units of Elderly and Disabled Rental housing located at 4881 Griffin Road. The BCHA provides a community room for congregate meals, an arts and crafts room, and a health services area (estimated at 1,200 square feet), an estimated value of \$15,000+-.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS: Original Agreement adopted by Reso. 85-119. The most recent renewal was approved on 8/26/99 (Reso. R-99-139) and expires 9/30/02.

RECOMMENDATION(S): Motion to approve the Resolution.

Attachment(s): Resolution and Agreement

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA,
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO RENEW AN AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE TOWN OF DAVIE AND THE BROWARD
COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY WAIVING PAYMENT IN LIEU
OF TAXES (PILOT) IN EXCHANGE FOR SERVICES AND
DONATIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Broward County Housing Authority (BCHA) owns and operates two projects in the Town of Davie which serve low and moderate income renters; and

WHEREAS, The Housing Authority of Broward County enjoys an excellent working relationship with the Town of Davie and wishes to continue working together as “partners” in providing quality affordable housing to Davie residents; and

WHEREAS, in order to further housing opportunities and affordable rental housing to Davie residents, the Town historically waives the Payment in Lieu of Property Taxes (PILOT) on public housing projects owned and operated by the BCHA, in exchange for the in-kind services and donations provided which have an estimated value of \$45,000+-; and

WHEREAS, the current 3-Year Agreement between the Town and the BCHA which provides cultural, civic, recreational and social service programs at Ehlinger Apartments and Griffin Gardens, will expire on September 30, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to extend the PILOT Agreement with the BCHA for another the (3) year term which will conclude September 30, 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1: The Town Council of the Town of Davie does hereby renew the Agreement between the Town of Davie and the Broward County Housing Authority (BCHA) for the three (3) year period concluding September 30, 2005, and authorizes the Mayor to execute said Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2002 .

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER

ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2002.

EXHIBIT "A"

AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF DAVIE AND THE BROWARD COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY WAIVING THE PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILOT) IN EXCHANGE FOR IN-KIND SERVICES AND DONATIONS PROVIDED TO THE TOWN OF DAVIE.

WHEREAS, The Housing Authority of Broward County enjoys an excellent working relationship with the Town of Davie and wishes to continue working together as "partners" in providing quality affordable housing to Davie residents; and,

WHEREAS, the BCHA is a "significant partner" in the Town's Harmony Village Community Redevelopment/Revitalization Initiative"; and,

WHEREAS, the BCHA owns and operates Ehlinger Apartments and Griffin Garden Apartments in Davie which serve low/moderate income renters; and

WHEREAS, the BCHA provides donated space and in-kind services at the above projects which is valued at \$66,700+- which include cultural, civic, recreational, and social service programs at Ehlinger and Griffin Garden Apartments; and

WHEREAS, in return for such in-kind services, the Town historically waives the Payment in Lieu of Property Taxes (PILOT) on the projects described above; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to extend the PILOT Agreement with the BCHA for another three (3) year period which will conclude September 30, 2002.

The Town of Davie (Town) and the Broward County Housing Authority (BCHA) hereby agree to the provisions set forth in Articles I and II below.

ARTICLE I

The Housing Authority shall continue to provide to the Town of Davie the following sites, space, materials and services, for social, cultural, civic, and recreational purposes during the period of October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2005.

Ehlinger Apartments - 7481 NW 33 Street, Davie, Florida - The BCHA will continue to provide 3,700 sq. ft. of space in two buildings for the Davie Boys and Girls Club, at no cost, with an estimated value of \$45,000. Once the Boys and Girls Club relocates to their new facility, the BCHA will continue to provide the use of the building outlined above for use as a Learning Center and/or Child Day Care Center. The BCHA will continue it's noteworthy "partnership under the Town's Harmony Village Community Redevelopment/Revitalization Initiative". The BCHA will also continue to provide "Housing Counseling Services" to 30 Davie residents annually, at an average cost of \$390, with a total in kind value of \$11,700; and, will provide periodic reports to the Town's Housing and Community Development Director on services rendered.

Griffin Gardens Apartments - 4881 Griffin Road, Davie, Florida - The BCHA will continue to provide the community room for the adult congregate meals, as well as an arts and crafts room and health services area @ 1,200 square of donated space with an estimated rental value of \$15,000 annually. This facility will continue to serve residents of Davie other than those residing at Griffin Gardens.

In-Kind Services Provided at Both Sites:

The BCHA will continue to donate equipment and furniture (e.g. tables, chairs, and storage areas); utilities including water, sewer, electricity, and trash removal; and building maintenance with a total cumulative total value of \$66,700+-.

ARTICLE II

The Town of Davie shall waive payment in lieu of taxes for the period of October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2005.

BROWARD COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

TOWN OF DAVIE

Kevin Cregan, Executive Director

Harry Venis, Mayor

Date

Date

