

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20061297

1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE: Discuss whether to update and expand the 2002 "The Public Costs of Inadequate Affordable Housing in Lee County, Florida" report prepared by Deborah Halliday MPA for the Planning Division.

2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES: Updates the costs of not providing affordable housing.

3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION: Update the study but not expand it.

4. Departmental Category:

A4A

5. Meeting Date: October 10, 2006

6. Agenda:

- Consent
- Administrative
- Appeals
- Public
- Walk-On

7. Requirement/Purpose:
(specify)

- Statute
- Ordinance
- Admin. Code
- Other

8. Request Initiated:

Commissioner _____ N/A
Department _____ Community Development
Division _____
By: Mary Gibbs/Gloria Sajgo *M. Gibbs*

9. Background: On August 29, 2006 the Affordable Housing Committee voted to update and expand the study titled "The public costs of inadequate affordable housing in Lee County, Florida" by Deborah Halliday MPA published in 2002. The original document focuses on the impact of inadequate affordable housing for very low and low income households. The Committee voted to recommend updating and expanding this study to include moderate income households.

An update of the 2002 study would cost \$32,000. The cost to expand the study would be more, but is not determined at this time. The expansion may require primary research, which would affect project cost. (Primary research may be required because demographic and economic information for moderate income households is not as readily available as that for very low and low income households.) There are two options:

Option 1: Update the study entitled "The public costs of inadequate affordable housing in Lee County, Florida" prepared by Deborah Halliday MPA and published in September 2002. The cost would be \$32,000.

Once the cost and the project scope are identified for expanding the document, this information could be brought back for discussion to the Affordable Housing Committee.

Option 2: Do not update the study because the need for affordable housing has been established.

Staff recommends updating the 2002 study. This study quantifies the costs of not providing affordable housing. Affordable housing providers have used this study to obtain grant funding and bankers have used it as a basis for evaluating affordable housing initiatives. The expansion can be discussed later when more information is available.

SHIP funds for the contract are available and maintained in the following accounts: LB5540513801.508302 S/L LB014

10. Review for Scheduling:

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services				County Manager/P.W. Director
<i>M. Gibbs</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A	<i>M. Gibbs</i> <i>9/28/06</i>	Analyst <i>9/28/06</i>	Risks <i>9/28/06</i>	Grants <i>9/29/06</i>	Mgr. <i>9/29/06</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>

11. Commission Action:

- Approved
- Deferred
- Denied
- Other

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