# Lee County Board Of County Commissioners

Agenda Item Summary

Blue Sheet No 20021149

# 1. REQUESTED MOTION

ACTION REQUESTED: Execute a grant award agreement for \$270,000 in SHIP funds with Renaissance Manor, Inc. to construct one duplex and one triplex to house 10 very-low income persons with mental illnesses.

WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY: Renaissance submitted a grant request during the last grant cycle (2000-01 Supplemental Cycle #3). Due to the competitive nature of that grant cycle and because the applicant lacked site control, the request was not funded. Since the Lee County Housing Development Corporation (HDC) cancelled its Meadow Glen rental project and relinquished claim to committed funds, funding is available for the Renaissance's project.

WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES: Allows the county to enter into a grant award agreement with Renaissance.

2. DEPARTMENTAL CA	<del></del>	3. MEETING DATE:
COMMISSION DISTRI	ICT #: <u>CW</u> <u> </u>	10-22-2002
4. AGENDA:	5.REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:(Specify	6. <u>REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION</u> :
X CONSENT	STATUTE	A. COMMISSIONER N/A
ADMINISTRATIVE	ORDINANCE	B. DEPARTMENT Community Development
APPEALS	ADMIN. CODE	C. DIVISION FOC Planning
PUBLIC	X OTHER	BY: Paul O'Connor, AICP, Planning Director
WALK ON		19/02
TIME REQUIRED:		

### 7. BACKGROUND:

Lee County had committed SHIP funds to the HDC for the construction of the Meadow Glen rental development. Because the HDC was unable to obtain the financing originally anticipated from the state, the HDC cancelled this project and relinquished claim to the committed funds. As a result \$270,000 in SHIP funds can be made available to Renaissance for the construction of one duplex and one triplex with two bedrooms each to house a total of 10 very low-income individuals with mentally illnesses. Because Renaissance submitted a SHIP grant application in response to the advertisement for the 2001 Lee County SHIP grant proposal solicitations (acceptance period for the grant proposals was 10/17/2001 to 11/19/2001), the county can award the \$270,000 to Renaissance without re-advertising. The county contracts will require the applicant to expend \$150,000 by April 30, 2003 and \$120,000 by December 30, 2003.

At its September 3, 2002 meeting the Affordable Housing Committee reviewed and unanimously approved a request for \$150,000 to house 5 very-low income persons with mental illness. Subsequently the applicant increased the request by \$120,000 (for a total of \$270,000) to provide housing for a total of 10 very low-income individuals with mental illness. Staff recommends the approval of an additional \$120,000 for a total of \$270,000 in SHIP funds for three reasons:

- 1) Lee County is experiencing a mental health crisis and this would provide housing for the mentally ill.
- 2) For an additional \$120,000 the number of persons with mental illness housed would double from 5 to 10.
- 3) It would allow the county to keep the Shelter Plus Care HUD funds that were awarded to the Department of Human Services to provide operating funds for a project with the Housing Authority to house 9 homeless individuals. HUD has approved the changing provider from the Housing Authority to Renaissance.

The funding recommendations are in compliance with the 1999-2002 Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on April 13, 1999 and approved by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation on September 13, 1999. SHIP funding is available in accounts LB 55405 13801.508302 S/L LB 004 and 005 2000/2001.

# 8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:

#### RECOMMENDED APPROVAL: $\mathbf{F}$ G $\mathbf{C}$ D E В Α County **Budget Services** County Other Human Department Purchasing DYGN 10 10 Attorney Manager Director or Contracts Resources Risk OM GC N/A N/A 10. COMMISSION ACTION: APPROVED DENIED **DEFERRED** DUD TO: **OTHER**