

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

December 26, 2002

Blue Sheet No. 2002 1492

**1. REQUESTED MOTION:**

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Terminate existing contract number 1769 between Lee County and Community Housing and Resources, Inc.

**WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY:** Community Development Block Grant funds cannot be used for new construction.

**WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:** Authorizes termination of existing contract per section VIII. B. of the contract.

**2. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY:** 05  
**COMMISSION DISTRICT #**  
CW C5A

**3. MEETING DATE:**  
1-14-03

**4. AGENDA:**  
 CONSENT  
 ADMINISTRATIVE  
 APPEALS  
  
 PUBLIC  
 WALK ON  
**TIME REQUIRED:**

**5. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:**  
(Specify)  
 STATUTE  
 ORDINANCE  
 ADMIN.  
 CODE  
 OTHER

**6. REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION:**  
A. COMMISSIONER N/A  
B. DEPARTMENT Human Services  
C. DIVISION N/A  
*Karen B. Hawes*  
BY: Karen B. Hawes, Director

**7. BACKGROUND:**

Lee County entered into a contract with Community Housing and Resources, Inc. in August, 2001 for water and sewer expenses related to the construction of the Woodhaven project. Woodhaven will provide twelve two-bedroom units of below market rate housing for families on Sanibel. Following technical assistance provided by HUD, County staff learned that water and sewer expenses for new construction are not eligible activities under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. No funds were expended.

County staff notified Community Housing and Resources, Inc. of this determination and offered other options for the agency to consider. Such options included working with the agency to obtain a low interest rate loan or to replace the Community Development Block Grant funds with HOME funds. On September 10, 2002 the agency notified the County that they elected not to pursue the HOME funds.

Since that time, staff worked with the City of Sanibel to determine a use for the CDBG funds that cannot be expended by Community Housing and Resources, Inc. The funds in question were originally allocated to the City of Sanibel under the HUD required Urban County Agreement. Sanibel will utilize the money to make public facilities ADA accessible. A contract is being processed for that purpose.

Attachments: Letter from Community Housing and Resources, Inc. dated September 10, 2002

**8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Approve the item

**9. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:**

A Department Director	B Purchasing or Contracts	C Human Resources	D Other	E County Attorney	F Budget Services	G County Manager
<i>G. Miller</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	N/A	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	AS in TM 1/2/03 OM 1/2/03 Risk 12/30/02 GC 1/2/02	<i>[Signature]</i>

**10. COMMISSION ACTION:**

- APPROVED
- DENIED
- DEFERRED
- OTHER

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Date: 12/26/02  
Time: 4:14 pm  
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## Community Housing & Resources, Inc.

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September 10, 2002

Ann Arnall  
Deputy Director  
Department of Human Services  
P.O. Box 398  
Ft. Myers, Florida 33902-0398

Dear Ann:

Last night the CHR Board of Directors discussed the shortfall for the Woodhaven project, due to the inability to use the Sanibel CDBG allocation. The Board will not pursue use of HOME funds which appears to be the only option available through your office.

The source of the balance of the funds to be able to start the project is not known at this time.

Sincerely,

*Jan Hyatt*

Jan Hyatt, Executive Director  
Community Housing and Resources, Inc.