



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
September 26, 2023

ITEM TITLE:

A Resolution of the City Commission retroactively approving the execution of an Urban Qualification Cooperation Agreement between the City of Coral Gables and Miami-Dade County.

BRIEF HISTORY:

Miami-Dade County is undergoing requalification with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to secure future Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) funds for low- and moderate-income housing or other similar housing rehabilitation program, with the primary objective of promoting and development of viable urban communities.

Specifically, the programs are as follows:

1. CDBG - Community Development Block Grant funds are granted annually on a formula basis to provide housing and a suitable living environment for qualifying low and moderate income neighborhoods.
2. HOME - Home Investment Partnership funds provide for the acquisition, new construction, and rehabilitation of existing housing which are sold to income eligible first-time homebuyers.
3. ESG - Emergency Shelter Grants provide funds for emergency shelters, social services and transitional housing to help people reach independent living and prevent homelessness.

Municipalities, based on their population status, are provided the opportunity to file directly with HUD or participate with the County for the distribution of federal funds. The City cooperated as an Urban County Joint Entitlement recipient for fiscal years 2018-2020. To continue this participation, the City is required to execute an Urban Qualification Cooperation Agreement with the County for CDBG, HOME and ESG federal funds.

The City's continued status as a participating community will result in the City being eligible to receive future funding. The Urban Qualification Cooperation Agreement between the City and Miami-Dade County was executed on September 19, 2023, due to the time sensitive nature of the Agreement and HUD deadlines. This resolution retroactively authorizes the execution of that agreement, which covers the period of Fiscal Years 2024, 2025, and 2026, and is attached to this Resolution for reference.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. **Draft Resolution**
2. **Urban Qualification Cooperation Agreement**