



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item
Meeting of May 22, 2010**

DATE: April 26, 2010

SUBJECT: Authorization to accept a \$12,500 matching grant from the Virginia Department of Historic Resources' (VDHR) Certified Local Government (CLG) Program to update the Countywide Historic Resource Survey.

C. M. RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Accept a \$12,500 matching grant from the Virginia Department of Historic Resources' (VDHR) Certified Local Government (CLG) Program to update the Countywide Historic Resources Survey.
2. Appropriate \$12,500 in FY 2011 from the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (101.350900) to the Department of Community Planning, Housing and Development (101.438200.72303) to update the Countywide Historic Resources Survey.
3. Ratify the CLG grant award agreement signed by the County Manager and the State Historic Preservation Officer for the update of the Countywide Historic Resources Survey.

ISSUE: County Board approval is required to accept the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR) Certified Local Government (CLG) Program award of \$12,500 to update the Countywide Historic Resources Survey. No issues have been identified.

SUMMARY: Arlington County had been conducting a reconnaissance-level architectural survey, the Countywide Historic Resources Survey, for the past 11 years. These survey efforts had been carried out in partnership with VDHR, using State Survey and Planning Cost Share and Certified Local Government grant funds to augment County resources. There were eleven neighborhoods that were initially surveyed to a 1936 date. This project is to survey all of those historic resources in these neighborhoods to a 1956 survey date.

The proposed project is to update the Countywide Historic Resources Survey in order that most of the Arlington neighborhoods are surveyed to a 1956 date. Arlington County was asked by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR) to apply for this special Certified Local Government Grant to assist with the costs of this project. The proposed

County Manager: BND

County Attorney: CW

Staff: Michael Leventhal, Historic Preservation Coordinator, CPHD

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grant will be used to pay for a consultant to conduct the necessary survey to identify and record the 320 historic resources located in these eleven (11) neighborhoods

VDHR has awarded the County a \$12,500 Certified Local Government Grant. Arlington County must match this grant with \$12,500 of County funds, which are available in the approved FY 2011 County budget for the Department of Community Planning's Historic Preservation Program.

BACKGROUND: For the past eleven years the County's Historic Preservation Program (HPP) has applied for the CLG Grant program offered by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources. In addition to Arlington County receiving a CLG grant earlier this year, the City of Petersburg was also awarded a CLG grant. Unfortunately the City of Petersburg was not able to match their CLG grant and thus returned the \$12,500 CLG grant award back to the State. The Virginia Department of Historic Resources, upon being so notified by the City of Petersburg in March of this year, contacted the Arlington County Historic Preservation Program and asked if Arlington County could take on a special \$12,500 CLG grant award on short notice.

The County's Historic Preservation Program developed a short term project (May to September 2010) and submitted a grant request to VDHR to update the Countywide Historic Resources Survey. The proposed project will identify and record 320 historic resources from the following eleven (11) neighborhood areas of Arlington County: Alcova Heights, New Arlington-Douglas Park, Arlington View, Barcroft, Ballston-Virginia Square, Columbia Forest, Forest Glen, Foxcroft Heights, High View Park, North Highlands, and Waycroft-Woodlawn. These neighborhoods had previously been surveyed to a 1936 date and it is the intention of this grant to bring the survey in these neighborhoods to a 1956 date.

The Virginia Department of Historic Resources accepted the Arlington County HPP grant proposal. The \$25,000 amount for this proposed work will be divided equally between the County and VDHR, with each providing \$12,500. The Historic Preservation Program has in its FY11 budget the matching \$12,500 for this awarded VDHR CLG Grant. The County's portion of this grant does not need to be expended until after FY11 begins. The HPP recommends that the County accept this CLG grant award, and appropriate the funds to update the survey.

DISCUSSION: Because the State CLG Program needed a commitment from Arlington County in order to secure the funds returned from the City of Petersburg, the County Manager was asked to sign a loan agreement for this new short term grant project. This was done knowing that the agreement would not be properly executed until approval had been granted by the County Board. The grant award from VDHR is for \$12,500. Together with matching County funds of \$12,500 these funds would be used to hire a consultant to research and complete the update.

CONCLUSION: It is recommended that the County Board accept the \$12,500 match CLG Program Grant from VDHR to update the Countywide Historic Resource Survey by identifying and recording 320 historic resources from the following eleven (11) neighborhood areas of Arlington County: Alcova Heights, New Arlington-Douglas Park, Arlington View,

Barcroft, Ballston-Virginia Square, Columbia Forest, Forest Glen, Foxcroft Heights, High View Park, North Highlands, and Waycroft-Woodlawn; appropriate the VDHR CLG Program grant award of \$12,500 to undertake this update of the Countywide Historic Resources Survey; and authorize the County Manager to sign the agreement document accepting this \$12,500 matching VDHR Certified Local Government (CLG) Program grant.

FISCAL IMPACT: The recommended consultant work is estimated to cost \$25,000, of which the County will provide \$12,500. These County funds will be allocated from the FY 2011 adopted budget of the Department of Community Planning, Housing and Development's Historic Preservation Program.

Attachments:

Attachment A: CLG Grant Request to Update the Countywide Historic Resources Survey in Eleven (11) Arlington County neighborhoods.

Attachment B: CLG Grant Award Agreement between Arlington County and the Virginia Department of Historic Resources.

Attachment A

**REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS – 2010-11 CLG Sub-grant Program
February 2010**

Applications will be received until **4:00 pm, Friday, April 19, 2010**. Applicants must submit **six (6)** copies of each application--**one** typed original application (with original signatures) **and five (5) copies**. All inquiries for information should be directed as follows:

Pamela A. Schenian 757-886-2818
Pam.schenian@dhr.virginia.gov

Applications should be mailed or hand delivered to: Pamela. A. Schenian, Virginia Department of Historic Resources, Tidewater Regional Preservation Office, 14415 Old Courthouse Way, Second Floor, Newport News, VA 23608 (Please waive the need for signature if UPS or FedEx delivery. Call 757-886-2818 to ensure that someone will be in the office to accept delivery of parcels other than USPS.)

By submitting an application, the undersigned agrees to comply with all terms and conditions set forth in this Request for Applications or as mutually agreed upon by subsequent negotiation.

Name of Project: Update of Arlington Countywide Historic Resources Survey: Eleven Neighborhoods Initially Surveyed to 1936 to be Resurveyed to 1956

Grant Period: **Date of Execution of Grant Agreement** Ending Date: **June 30, 2011**

Amount of Award Requested	Matching Share Offered	Total Project Cost
\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00	\$25,000.00

Name and Address of Applicant

Name: Arlington County
Address: 2100 Clarendon Blvd.
Arlington, VA 22201
FEI/FIN #: 54-6001123
Telephone #: 703-228-3813
Fax Number: 703-228-3834

Local Project Coordinator

Name: Michael Leventhal
Title: Historic Preservation Coordinator
Address: 2100 Clarendon Blvd.
Arlington, VA 22201
Telephone #: 703-228-3813
E-mail Address: mleventhal@arlingtonva.us

Authorized Applicant's Signature: _____

Printed Name and Title: Barbara Donnellan, Acting County Manager

Date: April 14, 2010

**AMENDMENT to
Certified Local Government Grant Agreement
2009-2010**

This agreement entered into this 1st day of March, 2010, by the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Historic Resources (DHR), and the County of Arlington, the Certified Local Government (CLG), WITNESS that DHR and the CLG, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and agreements herein contained, agree that the grant awarded by DHR to the CLG shall be described below:

Project Title: Survey of buildings dating 1936-ca. 1960 previously excluded from earlier surveys

Grant Amount: \$12,500 Matching Share: \$12,500 Total Project Costs: \$25,000

Grant Period: March 1, 2010,* through June 30, 2010.

*Actual start date is the date of full execution of agreement.

This grant agreement incorporates the following documents:

- (1) **This signed form;**
- (2) **DHR Request for Applications – 2009-10 CLG Subgrant Program, dated February 3, 2009;**
- (3) **Grant Application** from the County of Arlington, dated February 18, 2010;
- (4) **Any negotiated modifications thereto, all of which are referenced below:**
 - a. Any publications produced with grant funds must include the language concerning NPS financial assistance and nondiscrimination as shown below:

This publication has been financed in part with Federal funds from the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior. However, the contents and opinions do not necessarily reflect the view or policies of the U.S. Department of the Interior. This program receives Federal financial assistance for identification and protection of historic properties. Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, the U.S. Department of the Interior prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability or age in its federally assisted programs. If you believe you have been discriminated against in any program, activity, or facility as described above, or if you desire further information, please write to: Office of Equal Opportunity, National Park Service, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20240.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Grant Agreement to be duly executed, intending to be bound thereby.

CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT

**COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
DEPT. OF HISTORIC RESOURCES**

Signature: 

Signature: 

Name: Barbara Donnellan

Name: Kathleen S. Kilpatrick

Title: Arlington County Manager

Title: Director

Date: 3/30/10

Date: 3/12/10