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The City of Jonesboro is responsible for the administration of the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Citizen Participation plan approved by the City and HUD requires the City to conduct a public hearing, receive approval by the Citizen Advisory Committee of changes in scope and allocation of project activities, approval by the Mayor and City Council and then approval of the amendment by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. As a result of bidding out various projects, and a change in the planning of several projects, it is desirable to propose changes in the estimates and scope of some of the projects as set out below.

A citizen advisory committee meeting and a public hearing was held on March 25, 2004 to review the current projects and to suggest changes in our projects. The revisions were approved by the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee and were recommended for approval to the Mayor and City Council. It is desirable to close out some projects and to change the program allocations and scope of various Community Development Projects for Jonesboro, Arkansas as follows:

Delete \$2,030.97 from Improvements to Julian James Park, 2002 Project Number 831-31 *38. This project was bid out and the purchase and installation of park equipment and site furnishings have been completed within the budget, and it is desirable to close the project out and transfer the balance amount to another line item. This will decrease and revise the line item from \$77,000.00 to \$74,969.03.

Delete \$673.32 from Administration, 2002 Project Number 831-00 *39. We have closed the 2002 year administrative line item and we need to decrease the administration line item, close it out, and transfer that amount to another line item. This will decrease and revise the administration line item from \$89,495.00 to \$88,821.68.

Delete \$437.07 from Demolition, 2003 Project Number 831-33 *40 We have completed 19 demolitions and the project needs to be closed out with the balance of funds remaining transferred to another project line item. This will decrease and revise the budget line item from \$30,000.00 to \$29,562.93.

Delete \$0.00 to Parker Park Improvements, 2003 Project Number 831-37 *44. We originally estimated that the CDBG program would install three (3) pavilions. The cost of the park building was greater than budgeted, therefore during the past year the City of Jonesboro installed two pavilions and they determined that they didn't have room for the third one. We want to delete the one pavilion and complete the two with City funds. The

construction of the storage building has been bid out accepted and should be complete by August 2004. We propose to install security lighting by August 2004. Also we propose to include parking pads and sidewalks that will cost us an additional \$5112.00 to comply with ADA requirements for this park project. This will not change the line item in expenditures, only in scope of services.

Delete \$80,000.00 from Earl Bell Center Improvements, 2003 Project Number 831-29 *45. The 2003 CDBG application set out that the City would renovate the existing swimming pool and bathhouse. The City is making an assessment of its parks programs and Earl Bell Swimming Pool and Bathhouse is a large part of the overall improvements and we are not sure of the proper way to improve this facility. We do not want to waste the funds now, if we change the project at a later date. The scope of work has changed due to changes in the parks department programs and desires for Earl Bell Center. Instead of tearing down the existing bathhouse as proposed and building another building, it is desirous to have the City Parks and City Maintenance staff tear out the required accessories for the bathhouse and construct a parking lot close to the pool to comply with ADA requirements. The change in the project would allow us to meet current ADA requirements. We propose to move the \$80,000 to other line items due to revised needs and cost overruns. This will decrease and revise the budget from \$100,000.00 to \$20,000.00.

Delete \$15,000.00 from Fairview Park Improvements, 2003 Project Number 831-39 *46. We originally estimated that the CDBG program would purchase and install two (2) areas for playground equipment and install security lighting. We propose to install the security lighting soon. The playground equipment has been purchased and installed. Also we propose to include parking pads and sidewalks that will cost us an additional \$9445.00 to comply with ADA requirements for this park project. We have changed the scope of services as set out above. This will decrease and revise the Budget Line Item from \$100,000.00 to \$85,000.00.

Delete \$23,980.98 from Administration, 2003 Project Number 831-00*47. We have closed the 2003 year for administration and we need to decrease the administration line item, close it out, and transfer that amount to another line item. This will decrease and revise the administration line item from \$101,150.00 to \$77,169.02.

Delete \$27,000.00 from Runway Park Improvements, 2004 Project Number 831-46 *54. This project was set out for purchase and installation of park equipment. After consideration of the change in direction of our park programs, it is desirous to eliminate the park project this year and later determine what we will need to do with this park. It is desirous to close the project out and transfer the balance amount to another line item. This will decrease and revise the line item from \$27,000.00 to \$0.00.

Note!!!! All deletions above equal the additions set out above at \$149,122.34.

Add \$3600.00 to Miles Park Improvements, 2001 Project Number 831-23 *29. We originally estimated that the CDBG program would construct a baseball-softball field, soccer field park pavilions, shelter areas, parking area and other expenses. We have cleared and cut down the fields, and constructed a parking area. Based on the needs, the parks program desires is to complete the lighting of the park area, and complete ADA requirements for parking spaces. It is desired that we do not put in the park pavilion and the shelter area. The estimated cost of the park improvements is greater than budgeted; therefore the City of Jonesboro is desirous to increase the budget line item by \$3,600. This will increase and revise the Budget Line Item from \$59,920.85 to \$63,520.85.

Add \$0.00 to E. Boone Watson Improvements, 2003 Project Number 831-34 *41. We have constructed the parking lot and purchased and installed the playground equipment. We estimate that it will cost us an additional \$5440.84 to comply with ADA requirements for this park project. In addition, we need to complete the security lighting @\$3,000; fencing@ \$2,000; landscaping @\$3,000; and fire and security alarm system @ \$3,000. We have changed the scope of services. This will not increase or decrease the Budget Line Item and it will remain at \$102,000.00.

Add \$40,000.00 to Allen Park Improvements for Spray-park, 2003 Project Number 831-35 *42. We originally estimated that the cost of the spray-park would be less but the architect has asked us to consider adding this amount to the budget due to changes in State of Arkansas requirements for sewer and water runoff associated with a spray park. We are ready to bid the project out but the cost of the project needs to be increased. We also will purchase and install soccer goals and baseball backstops. This will increase and revise the Budget Line Item from \$110,000.00 to \$150,000.00.

Add \$0.00 to North Main St. Park Improvements, 2003 Project Number 831-36 *43. Additional funds are needed in order to complete the ADA requirements for parking and sidewalks. We estimate that it will cost the City Budget an additional \$5,000 to comply with ADA requirements for this park project. We will complete the ADA requirements and propose to install new park benches @ \$1,000 and fencing @ \$4,000. This will not increase or revise the Budget Line Item of \$50,000.00.

Add \$105,522.34 to Allen Park Improvements, 2004 Project Number 831-44 *52. The scope of services was to construct a concession building and sidewalks for the park. We originally estimated that the cost of the improvements would be less but the architect asked us to consider adding an amount to the budget due to increases in cost of steel products by 250%, and change the scope of services to include additional sidewalks, comply with ADA requirements and add the fill @ \$10,000; sub 2 gravel @ \$25,000; and asphalt paving of the parking lot @ \$45,000 as additional improvements. We want to complete the Allen Park project as soon as we can. We are ready to bid the project out, but the cost of the project needs to be increased. We have changed the scope of services. This will increase and revise the Budget Line Item from \$100,000.00 to \$205,522.34.

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2001-2004 PROGRAM YEARS
AS OF 4-5-04

Project	Previously Budgeted	Proposed Deletions	Proposed Budget Revision
831-31 *38 (delete) Julian James Park Improvements	\$ 77,000.00	\$ 2,030.97	\$ 74,969.03
831-00 *39 (delete) Administration "02"	\$ 89,495.00	\$ 673.32	\$ 88,821.68
831-33 *40 (delete) Demolition	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 437.07	\$ 29,562.93
831-37 *44 (delete) Parker Park Improvements	\$ 86,850.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 86,850.00
831-38 *45 (delete) Earl Bell Center Improvements	\$100,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
831-39 *46 (delete) Fairview Park Improvements	\$100,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 85,000.00
831-00 *47 (delete) Administration "03"	\$101,150.00	\$ 23,980.98	\$ 77,169.02
831-46 *54 (delete) Runway Park Imp	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 0.00
Total Deletions		\$149,122.34	

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Project	Previously Budgeted	Proposed Additions	Proposed Budget Revision
831-23 *29 (add) Miles Park Imp.	\$ 59,920.85	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 63,520.85
831-34 *41 (add) E. Boone Watson Improvements	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
831-35 *42 (add) Allen Park Imp. Spray-park	\$110,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$150,000.00
831-36 *43 (add) N. Main St. Park Imp.	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 50,000.00
831-44 *52 (add) Allen Park Imp.	\$100,000.00	\$ 105,522.34	\$205,522.34
Total Additions	\$ 0.00	\$149,122.34	\$ 0.00