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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 desirous 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 August 8, 2005 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 desirous to close out some projects and to change the program allocations and scope of various Community Development Projects for Jonesboro, Arkansas as follows:

Delete \$346.60 from Improvements to E. Boone Watson Center, 2003 Project Number 831-34 *41. This project was bid out and the purchase and installation have been completed within the budget, and 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 \$18,296.19 to \$17,949.59.

Delete \$22.83 from North Main Street Park Improvements, 2004 Project Number 831-36 *43. This project was bid out and the purchase and installation have been completed within the budget, and 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 \$50,000.00 to \$49,977.17.

Delete \$27.93 from Parker Park Improvements, 2003 Project Number 831-37 *44. This project was bid out and the purchase and installation have been completed within the budget, and it is desirous to close the project out and transfer the balance amount to another line item. This will decrease and revise the budget line item from \$81,850.00 to \$81,822.07.

Delete \$85,040.00 from City Fire Department Renovations, 2004 Project Number 831-47*. It has been determined by engineers that renovation of this fire station will not address flooding and drainage problems in the area. The committee has reviewed this

item and feels it not be prudent to invest funds in renovating the living quarters for the firefighters when the station continues to flood with heavy rains. It is the desire of the committee to close this project out and transfer the balance amount to another line item.

Delete \$43,291.07 from the Allen Park Concession Stand, 2003 Project 831-44*52. After having bid this project on two separate occasions, with bids coming in over budget both times, it is the desire of the committee to revise this project back to its original funding of \$150,000.00 and to transfer the balance stated above to another line item. The committee has encouraged the Parks and Recreation Department to re-evaluate the plans and specifications and to make modifications to get the project funded through the remaining balance of the original appropriation and will city funds.

Note!!!! All deletions above equal the additions set out above at \$128,728.43.

Add \$11,864.22 to Continuum of Care, 2005 Project Number 831-50*62. This will increase and revise the Budget Line Item from \$10,000 to \$21,864.22.

Add \$11,864.21 to Fire Station #2- Pumper Truck and Smoke Detectors, 2005 Project Number 831-53 *65. This will increase and revise the Budget Line Item from \$114,802.00 to \$126,666.21.

Add \$20,000.00 to Demolition of Substandard Housing, 2005 Project Number 831-48*60. This will increase the budget line item from \$40,000.00 to \$60,000.00.

Add \$35,000.00 to Homebuyer/owner Assistance, 2005 Project Number 831-54 *65. This will increase the budget line item from \$40,000.00 to \$75,000.00.

Add \$50,000 to Transportation Assistance, 2005 Project Number 831-55 *67. We have established a program to assist low to moderate income individuals with transportation needs for medical and employment-related activities. These funds will be used to establish the fixed transportation route which will service the North Central Jonesboro area. In addition, this program will be used to offset the fare charged for On-Demand service for individuals from the low to moderate income census tracts to attend medical appointments or employment. This will increase the budget line item from \$0.00 to \$50,000.00.
