OCALA CRA – EAST OCALA SUBAREA RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PAINT GRANT FOR OWNER OCCUPIED HOMES

Proposed Oct 2021

Purpose

To encourage owners of single-family homes, both owner occupied and rentals, within designated neighborhoods in the East Ocala Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) to improve the exterior of their properties, thereby reducing blighting conditions and improving the aesthetics of the community.

Plan Consistency

Goal 1 strategies include – Provision of grants for properties which add value in the CRA and increase the potential for property redevelopment. **Goal 2:** Restore value and prominence to gateways, corridor segments and crossroads by enhancing their physical appearance and visually differentiating their special character. **Goal 3:** Improve vacant, dilapidated and nuisance properties which are barriers to corridor redevelopment and negatively impact the value of corridors and neighborhoods.

Eligible Areas	Designated neighborhoods within the East Ocala CRA as shown on attached map.
Eligible Properties	Single family homes, owner occupied and rentals within designated neighborhoods in the East CRA.
Ineligible Properties	Properties with active code enforcement case or code enforcement liens; Tax delinquent property; property in litigation; property in condemnation or receivership; property or tenants with outstanding financial obligations to City require City Council approval.
Eligible applicant	Property owner
Eligible work	Only work begun <u>after</u> approval by the CRA Board will be eligible for a grant. Work in progress or performed before approval will not be eligible. Project work elements are: 1. Exterior painting – colors must be approved by Committee 2. Pressure washing and other work to repair and prep for painting
Maximum Grant	Maximum grant is \$2,000 for materials and labor or \$1,000 for materials, if work done by property owner.
Required Match	City (75%) – Applicant (25%). Example: To receive the maximum grant of \$2,000, the project cost must be at least \$2,667.