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MEMORANDUM

Date: December 30, 2024

TO: THE HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH: Abbye Feeley, Administrator, Development and Economic Opportunity 


RE: Housing Funds
OnBase Item #10750; File No. CM24-10077

Motion: Staff to provide a report on making city affordable housing funds to assist those impacted by flooding in the wake of Hurricane Milton, particularly in the North Tampa area. (Original motion initiated by Viera-Henderson on November 14, 2024)(Continued from December 5, 2024).

In response to Hurricanes Helen and Milton, the City is finalizing efforts to provide assistance to those impacted by the storms. The City currently has approximately \$3 million in State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP) funds, which will be used to support insurance deductibles, mortgage assistance (foreclosure prevention), and other applicable recovery activities.

To ensure the most efficient and timely use of resources, the City is working to engage a third-party entity, similar to the approach taken when expending American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds following the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds will be targeted to households with incomes up to 140% of the area median income.

Staff is preparing to present the agreement to City Council on January 23, 2025, with an anticipated program launch date of early February 2025.

cc: John Bennett, Chief of Staff 
Shirley Foxx-Knowles, City Clerk
Andrea Zelman, City Attorney
Rebecca Johns, Senior Assistant City Attorney