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SUBJECT: Reimbursement of Pre-Award Costs for the City of Palmview

Dear Ms. Serna,


We are in receipt of your recent correspondence regarding the City of Palmview's request for a waiver to commit "Pre-Award Funds" in the approximate amount of \$433,688 for the purpose of purchasing fire apparatus consisting of a pumper/rescue unit with rescue equipment. This request was prompted by the recent decision of the City of Alton to discontinue fire protection services to the City of Palmview. As a result, the City of Palmview is now seeking to upgrade its own fire protection capabilities in order to adequately serve its residents.

We have reviewed this request and determined that it has met the requirements set forth in 24 CFR 570.200 (h), Reimbursement for Pre-Award Costs. The CDBG program will be reimbursed by the City of Palmview during the next two CDBG program years following the effective date of the grant agreement or amendment in which this activity is first included.

We trust the Palmview Fire Department's capacity to service its expanded rural fire coverage area with a population estimated at 43,000 shall be enhanced with the purchase of this fire apparatus.

If you have any questions regarding this decision, please contact Elva Garcia, Program Manager, at 210-475-6800, ext. 2295.

Sincerely,


John T. Maldonado
Director
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