



**CITY OF ARLINGTON**

**Proposed Amendments to the 2005-2010 Consolidated Plan and 2007 Action Plan**

The City of Arlington is proposing amendments to the 2005-2010 Consolidated Plan and 2007 Action plan. These amendments are directly aligned with Consolidated Plan goals to increase economic development in the Central Arlington Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA). The proposed changes are as follows:

1. Expand Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) boundaries for the purpose of increasing the flexibility of housing strategies. The proposed expansion will include four additional census block groups west of Davis to Crowley Road (See attached map).
2. Reprogram Community Development Block Grant funds from sale of 1100 Center Street land according to the following table.

<b>Proposed Reprogramming of CDBG Funds</b>			
<b>Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)</b>			
<b>Activity*</b>	<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Amount Reprogrammed</b>	<b>Total Budget</b>
Founders Plaza	\$917,924	\$900,000	\$1,817,924
High Oak - Program Income Adjustment	-	\$615,000	\$615,000
Clearance/Demolition	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$150,000
Center Street Station Phase II	-	\$335,000	\$335,000
Administration	\$572,833	\$50,000	\$622,833
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$2,000,000</b>	

\*See activity descriptions on following page.

A public notice was issued on Sunday, May 25, 2008 in the Star-Telegram for notification of a public hearing on Wednesday, June 11, 2008 and a 30-day period open for written comments through Tuesday, June 24, 2008. The Arlington City Council is scheduled to review these amendments on July 1, 2008 prior to submission of amendments to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Public comments regarding amendments should be submitted in writing to Grants Management Division at 501 W. Sanford Street, Suite 10, Arlington, Texas 76011 or by fax at 817-459-6253, or email to [Melissa.Reeves@arlingtontx.gov](mailto:Melissa.Reeves@arlingtontx.gov).



### **Activity Description**

#### *Founders Plaza (\$900,000)*

Founders Plaza will be located at 100 West Abram in the Arlington Downtown/University District, on the southern edge of the Central Arlington NRSA. The plaza will include an interactive water feature, green space, free concerts and cultural programming to meet the needs of the surrounding neighborhood.

#### *High Oak -Program Income Adjustment (\$615,000)*

During Program Year 2006, anticipated program income from the sale of land at the former High Oak Terrace Apartments was budgeted in the PY06 Action Plan. This land was anticipated to sell at fair market value; however, the City maintained ownership of the land for future development. The City is reprogramming the \$615,000 as a budget adjustment to the PY06 Action Plan.

#### *Clearance/Demolition (\$100,000)*

\$100,000 will be utilized for clearance/demolition of abandoned and deteriorated structures located in the Central Arlington NRSA. Structures will be removed that are detrimental to public health and safety. Specific structures for demolition will be determined during the upcoming program year.

#### *Center Street Station-Phase II (\$335,000)*

Center Street Station, located at 224 N. Center Street, is a new development in Central Arlington that will stimulate economic development. Phase I includes the renovation of Arlington Music Hall (home of Johnnie High's Country Revue) to create a multi-functional performing arts venue. Phase II of this project will include new retail and office construction on Division and Center Street. CDBG funds will be used during Phase II. This development is expected to create 36 new retail jobs and 62 new office jobs in the Central Arlington NRSA.

#### *Administration (\$50,000)*

\$50,000 will be added to the administrative budget to provide staff support for project implementation and monitoring.

