

October 21, 2003

A public hearing was held on the above date at Town Hall regarding Needs Assessment for Urban County Entitlement Program 2003-2004, all requirements of the Freedom of Information Act having been satisfied:

Present were: J. Marshall Stith, Mayor
Jane Ellen Herron, Councilwoman
Debra Hazen-Martin, Councilwoman
Alys Anne Wiedeke, Councilwoman
William J. Wood, Councilman

Betty McZorn from the Charleston County Community Development office stated there are three funding types for the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development: home programs (affordable housing), emergency shelters (housing for homeless), and community development block grant program (community revitalization ie sewer, water, paving streets, sidewalks, ramps, and economic development). She stated there are \$217,000 recaptured funds in addition to the \$3 million urban entitlement funds. She brought application packets, and the application is available on the website. Councilwoman Wideke inquired whether these funds could be used for historic preservation. Ms. McZorn stated that 51% of the residents are required to be low to moderate income. This area does not qualify except, for example, making buildings accessible to the senior citizens or the disabled.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen McQueeney
Town Clerk