



Fulton County Board of Commissioners  
**Agenda Item Summary**

**# 19-1152**

**BOC Meeting Date**  
**12/18/19**

**Requesting Agency**  
Commissioners (Ellis)

**Commission Districts Affected**  
All Districts

**Requested Action** *(Identify appropriate Action or Motion, purpose, cost, timeframe, etc.)*  
APPROVAL

**Requirement for Board Action** *(Cite specific Board policy, statute or code requirement)*

**Is this Item related to a Strategic Priority Area?** *(If yes, note strategic priority area below)*

**Is this a purchasing item?**  
No

<b>Summary &amp; Background</b>	<i>(First sentence includes Agency recommendation. Provide an executive summary of the action that gives an overview of the relevant details for the item.)</i>
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Request approval of a Resolution authorizing Fulton County, Georgia to relinquish its status as an Entitlement Community as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the following Federal Grants: Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, Home Investment Partnership Grant and the Neighborhood Stabilization Program Grant; directing County staff to take necessary steps to end Fulton County's participation in these grant programs; and for other purposes. **(Ellis)**

<b>Contract &amp; Compliance Information</b>	<i>(Provide Contractor and Subcontractor details.)</i>
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Agency Director Approval		County Manager's Approval
Typed Name and Title	Phone	
Signature	Date	

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<b>Solicitation Information</b>	<b>NON-MFBE</b>	<b>MBE</b>	<b>FBE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
No. Bid Notices Sent:				
No. Bids Received:				
<b>Total Contract Value</b>	.			
<b>Total M/FBE Values</b>	.			
<b>Total Prime Value</b>	.			
<b>Fiscal Impact / Funding Source</b>	(Include projected cost, approved budget amount and account number, source of funds, and any future funding requirements.)			
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<b>Exhibits Attached</b>	(Provide copies of originals, number exhibits consecutively, and label all exhibits in the upper right corner.)			
<b>Source of Additional Information</b>	(Type Name, Title, Agency and Phone)			

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<b>Typed Name and Title</b>	<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>	

**Procurement****Contract Attached:**

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**Previous Contracts:**

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**Solicitation Number:**

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**Submitting Agency:**

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**Staff Contact:**

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**Contact Phone:**

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**Description:.****FINANCIAL SUMMARY****Total Contract Value:**

Original Approved Amount: .

Previous Adjustments: .

This Request: .

TOTAL: .

**MBE/FBE Participation:**

Amount: . %: .

Amount: . %: .

Amount: . %: .

Amount: . %: .

**Grant Information Summary:**

Amount Requested: .

Match Required: .

Start Date: .

End Date: .

Match Account \$: .

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Approval to Award

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Apply &amp; Accept

**Funding Line 1:**

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**Funding Line 2:**

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**Funding Line 3:**

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**Funding Line 4:**

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**KEY CONTRACT TERMS****Start Date:**

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**End Date:**

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**Cost Adjustment:**

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**Renewal/Extension Terms:**

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**ROUTING & APPROVALS**

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.	Originating Department:	.	Date: .
.	County Attorney:	.	Date: .
.	Purchasing/Contract Compliance:	.	Date: .
.	Finance/Budget Analyst/Grants Admin:	.	Date: .
.	Grants Management:	.	Date: .
.	County Manager:	.	Date: .

1 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA TO**  
2 **RELINQUISH ITS STATUS AS AN ENTITLEMENT COMMUNITY AS DEFINED**  
3 **BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN**  
4 **DEVELOPMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING FEDERAL GRANTS: COMMUNITY**  
5 **DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT, HOME**  
6 **INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP GRANT AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD**  
7 **STABILIZATION PROGRAM GRANT; DIRECTING COUNTY STAFF TO TAKE**  
8 **NECESSARY STEPS TO END FULTON COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN**  
9 **THESE GRANT PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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11 **WHEREAS**, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD")  
12 has designated Fulton County as an "Entitlement Community" and annual  
13 administrator of the Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") program,  
14 pursuant to Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, 42  
15 U.S.C. §5301 *et seq.*; and

16 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Title I of the Housing and Community  
17 Development Act of 1974, counties with populations of at least 200,000,  
18 excluding the population of "entitled cities," are qualified as Entitlement  
19 Communities [Counties]; and

20 **WHEREAS**, as an Entitlement Community, Fulton County also receives  
21 the following federal grants directly from HUD: CDBG, Emergency Solutions  
22 Grant ("ESG"), HOME Investment Partnership Grant ("HOME"), and the  
23 Neighborhood Stabilization Program Grant ("NSP"); and

24 **WHEREAS**, County staff has estimated that approximately eighty-five  
25 percent (85%) of the grant funds allocated by HUD within Fulton County are  
26 directly allocated to cities that have been designated as Entitlement Communities  
27 separate and apart from the County's designation; and

1           **WHEREAS**, the cities of: Atlanta, Johns Creek, Roswell, and Sandy  
2       Springs have been designated Entitlement Communities [Cities] and receive  
3       CDBG allocations directly from HUD; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the remaining approximately fifteen percent (15%) of HUD  
5       grant allocations are administered to Non-Entitlement Communities [Cities] by  
6       Fulton County pursuant to allocations provided through cooperative agreements,  
7       which outlines the amount of grant funds to be used and services that will be  
8       performed with the use of the funds; and

9           **WHEREAS**, through cooperative agreements, Fulton County administers  
10      federal grant funding to the cities of: Alpharetta, Chattahoochee Hills, College  
11      Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Milton, Mountain Park, Palmetto, and Union  
12      City; and

13          **WHEREAS**, in serving the aforementioned cities through the allocation of  
14      these federal grants, Fulton County has faced challenges in meeting HUD  
15      requirements that may not always align nor fit within the real-world and real-time  
16      scenarios faced by the cities in responding to the needs of their citizenry; and

17          **WHEREAS**, Fulton County believes it would be in the best interest of the  
18      Non-Entitlement Cities that their leadership have a more direct role in applying  
19      for and managing the grants in a manner that would benefit their cities and the  
20      particular needs of their citizens; and

21          **WHEREAS**, to start the process that will result in the Non-Entitlement  
22      Cities playing a more direct role with these federal grants, the Board of

1 Commissioners finds it necessary to relinquish its status as an Entitlement  
2 Community and as the annual administrator of the federal grants; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Fulton County believes the cities will be best served by  
4 directly engaging or partnering with the Georgia Department of Community  
5 Affairs (“DCA”) to apply for and administer these grants on their behalf; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners supports the prompt and  
7 efficient delivery of services to the citizens of Fulton County and finds that these  
8 goals will be achieved by relinquishing its status as a HUD-designated  
9 Entitlement Community, to no longer administer HUD federal grants, and to no  
10 longer submit the five-year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans to receive  
11 an annual allocation for HUD grant program funds; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Fulton County Code of Laws (“FCC”) § 1-117 gives the Board  
13 of Commissioners exclusive authority over the affairs of the County.

14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of  
15 Commissioners of Fulton County hereby formally relinquishes its status as an  
16 Entitlement Community as administrator of the following federal grants:  
17 Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”), Emergency Solutions Grant  
18 (“ESG”), HOME Investment Partnership Grant (“HOME”), and the Neighborhood  
19 Stabilization Program Grant (“NSP”).

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners directs  
21 County staff to take any and all necessary steps to finalize this directive with the  
22 Department of Housing and Urban Development and with the Non-Entitlement  
23 Cities served by Fulton County under these grants. The Chairman is further

1 authorized to sign any documents related to this directive that may require the  
2 signature of the official authorized to sign on behalf of Fulton County.

3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board of Commissioners fully supports  
4 and encourages the Non-Entitlement Cities located within Fulton County to apply  
5 for these federal grants through the Georgia Department of Community Affairs  
6 until such time that they may also qualify as Entitlement Cities.

7 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall become effective  
8 upon its adoption, and that all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with  
9 this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

10 **SO PASSED AND ADOPTED**, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2019.

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12 **FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF**  
13 **COMMISSIONERS**

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15 **SPONSORED BY:**

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21 Bob Ellis, Commissioner  
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23 **ATTEST:**

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27 Tonya R. Grier  
28 Interim Clerk to the Commission  
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31 **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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35 Patrise Perkins-Hooker  
36 County Attorney



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