

RESOLUTION NO. CRA-01-2021

RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE N.W. 7TH AVENUE CORRIDOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 COMMERCIAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND BUSINESS INNOVATION INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00 AND \$62,625.00 RESPECTIVELY; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND GRANTEES, AND TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS, INCLUDING CANCELLATION, TERMINATION AND AMENDMENT PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE N.W. 7TH AVENUE CORRIDOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, that:

Section 1. The matter contained in the foregoing recital is incorporated in this Resolution by reference.

Section 2. This Board approves the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Commercial Improvement Program and Business Innovation Investment Grant Program grant funding recommendations in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 and \$62,625.00, respectively, as set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 3. This Board further authorizes the Executive Director or the Executive Director's designee to negotiate and execute grant agreements on behalf of the Agency with the grantees identified in Exhibits "A" and "B", in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibits "C" and "D" and incorporated herein by reference, subject to the County Attorney's Office's approval. This Board also authorizes the Executive Director or the Executive Director's designee to exercise all provisions, including cancellation, termination and amendment provisions contained therein.

Section 4. This Board further directs the Executive Director or the Executive Director's designee to negotiate the following terms and conditions into the grant agreements with USA Real Estate, Whiplash Holdings and 14600, Inc. (Aqua Beach Holdings):

- 1) Receipt of the grant funds is conditioned on such grantees incorporating some or all of the applicable Florida International University design criteria adopted by this Board; and
- 2) That all designs, including drawings, shall be submitted to the Agency and approved by the Executive director or Executive Director's designee and the Agency's Economic Development Coordinator.

This Board further directs Neighbors and Neighbors, Inc., as the grants administrator, to provide a status report concerning Cliff's Restaurant project and a signed timeline from the architect-of-record, which such report and timeline shall be submitted to this Board at its next scheduled meeting.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner Eugene Lomando, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner John L. Gay, Jr., and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dr. Mae D. Bryant, Chairwoman	<u>Aye</u>	
Eugene Lomando, Vice Chairman	<u>Aye</u>	
Charesse Chester	<u>Aye</u>	Yvonne White Edwards <u>Absent</u>
Mack Samuel	<u>Aye</u>	John L. Gay, Jr. <u>Aye</u>

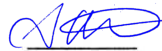
The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 27th day of April, 2021.

**N.W. 7th AVENUE COMMUNITY
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND
ITS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

By: 

Mack Samuel
N.W. 7th Avenue CRA Secretary

Approved by CRA Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Terrence A. Smith

EXHIBIT "B"

NW 7th Avenue CRA Grants Application Recommendations
Business Innovation & Improvement Grant (BIIG)

FY 2020-2021

Available Funding: \$150,000

***At the April 27, 2021 CRA meeting, the Board voted to bifurcate Cliff's Restaurant from the funding recommendation and approve all others.**

Rank	Business Name	Funding Requested	Retain Jobs	New Jobs	Proposed Use of Funds
1	Excel Medical Associates 13936 NW 7th Ave, Miami, FL 33168 Established - 2015 Industry: Medical	\$10,000	NA	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of medical equipment for a community-based family/geriatric medical practice which would allow for the provision of tele-health services and patient drop-off/pick-up • Welch Allyn Integrated Diagnostic System' Welch Allyn Vital Signs Monitor; Welch Allyn EKG Machine; Welch Allyn RetinaVue
2	C&M Bakery 13804 NW 7th Ave, Miami, FL 33168 Established - 2004 Industry: Restaurants/Food	\$10,000	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of bakery equipment which would allow C&M to upgrade, increase staff skills and work longer hours • Planetary mixer; refrigerated merchandiser; sheet pan rack; dough sheeter; gas floor fryer • Is also applying for a CIP grant (\$50,000)
3	Nick's Photo 10940 NW 7th Ave, Miami, FL 33168 Established - 2012 Industry: Photography Services	\$10,000	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of photography equipment for a photography studio which would allow for an upgrade of their equipment, incorporate modern technology into their process and improve staff skills • Software Darkroom Assembly Field; Nikon D7500 DSLR Camera; Nikon D500 DSLR Camera; Nikon AF-5 NIK KIR 70-200m lens • Stated they would be able to hire 1 additional photographer
4	Dandy Photography 14824 NW 7th Ave, Miami, FL 33168 Established - 2018 Industry: Photography Services	\$10,000	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of photography equipment for a photography studio which would allow them to provide quicker turn-around times and service more computers. • Canon Mirrorless camera; Apple iMac Pro 27"; Canon EOS R5 Mount Adapter; Canon All-in-One laser printer. • Stated they would be able to hire 2 additional staff
5	Deli Food Village 10740 NW 7th Ave, Miami, FL 33168 Established - 2009 Industry: Restaurants/Food	\$10,000	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of equipment for a grocer which sells grocery products, dairy items, hot/cold sandwiches and small household products/toys which would allow for an increase in sales, efficiency and retain staff • POS software; freezer; cooler; food warmer • Stated they would be able to hire 1 additional staff
6	Cliff's Restaurant 10740 NW 7th Ave, Miami, FL 33168 Established - 1997 Industry: Restaurants/Food	\$10,000	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of a food trailer, prep grill, deep fryer & fridge to utilize while the full time restaurant is being renovated which would allow Cliff's to enter into the mobile food/kitchen market and enhance the catering side of the business • A current CIP grantee (from 2014 and reinstated in 2018) with \$61,420 funding remaining under the CIP grant

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7	Almirose d/b/a/ Rose Boutique 10065 NW 7th Ave, Miami, FL 33150 Established - 2019 Industry: Restaurants/Food	\$6,570	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Variety store which sells small grocery items and processes long distance/international calling cards • Purchase of cash register; commercial refrigerator; commercial freezer; display shelves; computer; desk; chair • Only established for two years
8	Whip-Lash Holdings Inc. 10740 NW 7th Ave, Miami, FL 33168 Established - 2004 Industry: Real estate	\$6,055	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property was previously occupied by AAA Flag and Banner; is now vacant and Owner is requesting a change of use for a portion of the first floor of the building and is proposing to convert into a salon and spa • Purchase of hair dryer stations; hair wash stations; hairstyling chairs; massage tables; manicure stations; station mirrors; floor mats • Is also applying for a CIP grant (\$50,000)

Total FY 2020-2021 BIIG Requested Funding: \$72,625/\$62,625