# City of Austin, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Project Update on the African American Cultural and Heritage Facility for the African American Resource Advisory Commission and the Urban Renewal Board of the City of Austin

# **April 2011**

# **Funding:**

1. Total funding commitment:

\$1,500,000 2006 General Obligation bonds (Capital Improvement Project)

\$ 552,703 HUD stimulus monies (Community Development Block Grant-Recovery)

\$2,213,790 NHCD - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

\$ 136,717 NHCD - Economic Development Initiative (EDI)

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\$4,403,210

## Milestones (Updated):

- 1. February 28 Issued Notice to Proceed (NTP) for stabilization, asbestos/lead abatement and partial demolition of existing structure with Southwest Corporation.
- 2. March 7 Austin Arts Commission approved the AIPP Artist and Alternate artist Reginald Adams (Houston, TX) for the AAC&HF AIPP project with the artist team of Forest Young (Austin, TX) and Sheila Levrant De Brettville (Hamden, CT) as the alternate. Contract is under negotiation.
- 3. April Staff completed evaluation of proposals for General Contractor to construct facility.

## **General Information:**

- 1. Tenant lease negotiations underway
- 2. Staff is in contact with family member, Darwin Hamilton, and providing regular updates

## 2011 Tentative Schedule (Updated):

- **❖** April 2011
  - AIPP contract with Reginald Adams is being negotiated.
  - Continue Phase I activities
- ❖ May June 2011
  - May 12<sup>th</sup> Council approval of negotiation / execution of Competitive Sealed Proposal (CSP) contract w/ General Contractor for construction of facility.
  - Announce successful General Contractor
  - Complete Phase I Stabilization Activities
  - o Tentative June 17<sup>th</sup> Groundbreaking Festivities