

The Lower Manhattan Development Corporation (LMDC) has prepared the following Partial Action Plan and amendments with regard to the \$2 billion federal grant for the World Trade Center (WTC) disaster recovery and rebuilding efforts administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). LMDC received additional funding through a \$783 million grant from HUD for damaged properties and businesses (including the restoration of utility infrastructure) as well as economic revitalization related to the terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center.

Purpose of Partial Action Plans

- To meet urgent community development needs resulting from the events of September 11th;
- To meet long-term economic recovery needs including redevelopment and revitalization of the affected areas; and
- To eliminate the blighting effects resulting from the events of September 11, 2001

PARTIAL ACTION PLAN No. 10

Proposes the allocation of \$301,458,947 of the remaining \$2.78 billion for Lower Manhattan Community Revitalization Projects, Lower Manhattan Tourism, and Planning and Administration activities. These include the following:

A. Lower Manhattan Community Revitalization Projects

- Hudson River Park Segment 3: Hudson River Park extends from Battery Place with a bikeway and walkway that continues for five miles up to 59th Street. The Hudson River Park Trust has proposed extensive renovations to the Hudson River Waterfront, Segment 3, in Lower Manhattan, which runs from Chambers Street to W. Houston Street. LMDC funds would be used to realize plans for this important section of Hudson River Park, and would also provide for any necessary environmental review.
- East River Waterfront Projects: The East River Waterfront Esplanade and Piers and the East River Waterfront Access projects would help reinvigorate the area along the East River, and enhance its use by residents, workers, and visitors. The proposed projects seek to 1) revitalize the waterfront through the East River Esplanade and Piers projects, providing public spaces for culture, recreation, and retail in underutilized and inaccessible/abandoned areas on the waterfront, and 2) provide improvements to the historic slips and streets, enhance existing spaces for more unusable public open space, and increase direct public access.
- Local Transportation and Ferry Service: Investment in Lower Manhattan's transportation alternatives and needs are important for accommodating the area's rapid pace of growth as a 21st Century central business district. These projects seek to 1) develop a street management program to analyze, identify, and implement solutions to Lower Manhattan street management issues, and 2) provide funds for the Port Authority Yonker's Ferry Service program to enhance Lower Manhattan transportation alternatives.
- East Side K-8 School: The need for an east side K-8 public school has long been advocated by the downtown community. LMDC funds would join those of the Department of Education for the creation of a downtown East Side K-8 elementary school located East of Broadway, at the site bounded by Beekman, Spruce, and Williams Streets.
- Fiterman Hall Reconstruction: Fiterman Hall is an existing 15 story Borough of Manhattan Community college building that was partially destroyed with 7 World Trade Center caught fire and collapsed on the afternoon of September 11, 2001. The objective of this project is to remove the damaged building from the community, and LMDC funds would join other resources provided by the City and State of New York to construct a new facility that will serve to accommodate college programming, and will also allow for various community uses.

- Chinatown Local Development Corporation (LDC): The Chinatown LDC is a community-based, not-for-profit organization that has brought together major civic organizations, cultural institutions, and businesses in the community. LMDC funds would serve to help implement and oversee a comprehensive multi-year Clean Streets Program, as well as spearhead Chinatown community short-term enhancement projects and long-term planning initiatives.

B. Lower Manhattan Tourism

- Explore Chinatown Campaign: In 2004, LMDC, working in Partnership with the September 11th Fund, launched a two-year tourism and marketing campaign for Chinatown. Now in its second year, the campaign has been successful in promoting the neighborhood to regional, domestic, and international visitors through creating a comprehensive website (www.ExploreChinatown.com), developing campaign strategies to market local businesses, assisting community organization, and opening a visitor Kiosk. LMDC funds would be used to fund an additional third year of the campaign.
- Splendor of Florence 2006: Splendor of Florence is a festival of artistic, cultural, culinary, and educational events. In October 2004, the Festival was presented in multiple venues in and around the World Financial Center. The Festival will build upon its programming from 2004. LMDC provided funds in 2004 for the Splendor of Florence Festival, and now proposes funds for the 2006 Festival.

C. LMDC Planning and Administration

- LMDC has conducted, and continues to evaluate, several studies on issues such as transportation, traffic, open space, and economic development capacity needs;
- LMDC carries out extensive public outreach and coordination efforts related to its initiatives off-site planning studies. LMDC's outreach to the affected communities, the public at large, government agencies and officials includes large-scale public hearings and meetings, printed newsletters and reports, up-to-date, comprehensive, and interactive website (www.Renewnyc.com), and extensive electronic communications; and
- Legal, investigative, and audit activities needed to administer LMDC programs.

AMENDMENTS TO PARTIAL ACTION PLAN No. 3

Partial Action Plan No. 3 as approved allocated funds for Community Development projects. The amendments to Partial Action Plan No. 3 propose the allocation an additional \$570,000 for the Columbus Park Pavilion for additional costs associated with its renovation.

AMENDMENTS TO PARTIAL ACTION PLAN No. 4

Partial Action Plan No. 4, as approved allocated funds for Short Term Capital Projects, Long Term Planning, and Supplemental Funds for the Business Recovery Grant Program. The amendments to the Partial Action Plan propose the reallocation of \$1,800,000 from fund previously allocated for West Street Planning (part of Long-Term Planning) to Short-Term Capital Projects for West Street Pedestrian Connections.