



MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #VI.A

DATE: JULY 18, 2022

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: SFRPC REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS STATUS REPORT

The South Florida Regional Planning Council Revolving Loan Program has historically served the needs of businesses that are not entirely served by conventional lenders, with an emphasis on applicants who have been denied credit by a conventional lender. As such, the Council's RLF loans are considered riskier than conventional loans. The Loan Administration Board may charge a higher interest rate to a particular borrower depending on the risk factors of that loan. In addition, most loan payments are due on the first day of each month until maturity.

Attached for your review is the Revolving Loan Fund Status Report. In reviewing the attached status report, please note that the borrowers' loan agreements provide a fifteen (15) day grace period in which they can make their payments without a five percent late charge penalty. This status report is generated fifteen (15) days prior to the end of the month. Council staff routinely makes phone calls and sends past due notices to past due accounts after ten (10) and fifteen (15) days.

The Council policy on loan amounts and the structure of the loans for each loan program is:

"Loan amounts may range from \$25,000 to \$500,000. Borrowers seeking more than one loan may not exceed \$500,000 in aggregate. Loans may be used for funding up to 100 percent of a project, provided that bank or conventional financing is unavailable, and that equity is nonexistent or is otherwise needed for cash flow. In cases where limited financing from a private/traditional source is available, loans can be used as supplemental or "second mortgage" funds. Second positions on collateral may be acceptable so long as the prior lien holder is a lending institution."

Please find attached Legal Counsel's South Florida Regional Planning Council ("SFRPC") / Revolving Loan Fund report on legal action that has been taken to collect on delinquent accounts.



Payment Status Report

Traditional RLF Payment Status Report

Loan	Company /Borrower	Amount	Disbursed	Pmts	Rate	Last Activity	Last Balance	Paid Thru	Days Late	Last Activity	Next Pay Due	Loan Date	Maturity Date	Board Action
1008		110,000.00	110,000.00	120	6.0	1,823.36	27,797.04	06/01/22	0	06/09/22	07/01/22	03/22/02	11/09/25	performing
1022		300,000.00	300,000.00	240	7.0	2,709.36	304,028.57	06/01/22	0	06/21/22	07/01/22	01/08/04	09/01/39	performing
1023		301,586.50	301,586.50	120	5.0	350.00	161,715.88	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	07/19/06	03/01/29	performing
1034		300,000.00	300,000.00	120	5.0	500.00	260,365.24	05/01/22	30	05/23/22	06/01/22	12/21/06	11/15/28	performing
1039		125,000.00	125,000.00	84	5.0	500.00	120,082.53	06/01/22	0	06/16/22	07/01/22	11/24/08	12/31/15	performing
1040		200,000.00	200,000.00	84	5.0	1,472.32	82,203.20	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	02/02/09	08/01/28	performing
3024		189,043.88	189,043.88	144	0.0	500.00	105,945.87	06/01/22	0	06/13/22	07/01/22	07/26/99	12/01/16	Default Final Judgment
4008		300,000.00	300,000.00	84	5.0	750.00	171,728.45	06/01/22	0	06/13/22	07/01/22	07/31/09	03/31/39	performing
4018		150,000.00	150,000.00	84	6.0	(465.00)	144,598.41	12/01/15	2373	10/22/20	01/01/16	07/12/13	08/01/20	In Litigation - Mediation
4024		235,000.00	235,000.00	240	5.0	1,600.00	171,216.23	06/01/22	0	06/13/22	07/01/22	04/16/14	05/01/26	performing
4027		149,500.00	149,500.00	120	5.0	1,590.98	71,154.96	07/01/22	0	06/30/22	08/01/22	12/15/15	12/15//25	performing
4028		75,000.00	75,000.00	1	0.0	765.03	74,994.72	04/01/19	1157	04/12/19	05/01/19	11/17/16	09/30/19	Default - collateral workout
4029		75,000.00	75,000.00	1	0.0	803.02	75,000.00	04/01/19	1157	04/12/19	05/01/19	12/14/16	09/30/19	Default - collateral workout
4031		332,972.82	332,972.82	111	6.5	2,000.00	321,849.33	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	09/28/17	08/01/28	performing
4032		300,000.55	300,000.55	120	7.0	3,577.27	228,715.67	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	10/24/18	11/01/28	performing
4033		254,999.57	254,999.57	84	7.0	1,548.47	192,177.13	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	10/25/18	10/25/25	performing

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4034		84,506.66	84,506.66	84	7.0	150.00	71,412.80	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	01/03/19	01/03/26	Payment Modification
4035		248,684.03	248,684.03	84	7.0	3,773.17	165,066.60	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	03/05/19	04/01/26	performing
4036		149,223.30	149,223.30	84	7.0	2,399.01	103,371.88	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	03/05/19	04/01/26	performing
4037		173,904.64	173,904.64	84	5.0	1,750.00	145,498.01	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	03/28/19	03/28/26	performing
4038		99,885.78	99,885.78	60	7.0	1,500.00	70,148.80	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	03/28/19	04/01/24	performing
4039		200,000.00	200,000.00	84	7.0	150.00	196,815.27	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	03/12/20	04/01/27	Payment Modification
4040		400,000.00	400,000.00	84	7.0	3,167.33	393,043.51	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	09/23/19	09/23/26	performing
4043		200,000.00	200,000.00	120	4.5	2,322.17	177,857.61	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	04/22/21	04/01/31	performing
4044		130,000.00	130,000.00	120	4.5	1,347.30	115,671.24	07/01/22	0	07/01/22	08/01/22	03/22/21	03/01/31	performing
Totals		5,084,307.73	5,084,307.73			36,583.79	3,952,458.95							

LIST OF COMMITTED EDA FUNDS
June 30, 2022

Loan #	Company Name	Committed	Commitment Date	Disbursed	Remaining Commitment
	Minority Builders Coalition Phase I	500,000	11/15/2021		\$ 500,000.00
	Minority Builders Coalition Phase II	500,000	11/15/2021		\$ 500,000.00
	TOTAL	\$1,000,000		\$ -	\$ 1,000,000.00

Cash Available to Lend				
Bank Balance as of	6/30/2022			\$ 1,470,239.43
Committed Funds				
Unfunded Loan Commitments	\$ 1,000,000			
Administrative Fees	12,879.51			
Total Committed Funds				\$ 1,012,879.51
Total Uncommitted Funds				\$ 457,359.92

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July 1, 2022

VIA E-MAIL (isabelc@sfrpc.com)

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South Florida Regional Planning Council
Oakwood business Center
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Re: South Florida Regional Planning Council ("SFRPC") / Revolving Loan Fund Status Report

Dear Ms. Carballo:

Below please find the status of the Revolving Loan Fund cases which have been brought on behalf of the SFRPC. This shall confirm that once a judgment is obtained and recorded, our office has been instructed to take no further action, other than to re-record specified judgments, as requested, in a timely fashion. We have therefore removed all of the "Closed Cases" from this list. In the future, once a judgment is obtained and recorded relative to cases appearing on this list, they will be removed from this list.

1. SFRPC (SFRPC Account #4018) v. Angela Dawson, P.A. (Our File No. 9940547)

Complaint filed with the Court on May 7, 2018. Dawson filed a motion to recuse (remove) the judge, so litigation was delayed. Dawson filed an Answer and Counterclaim, which SFRPC moved to strike. Order entered approving our Motion to Strike Dawson's Affirmative Defenses and our Motion to Dismiss Dawson's Counterclaim. Dawson's Amended Counterclaim and Amended Answers and Affirmative Defenses were due on April 26, 2019. Dawson failed to file the pleadings by the deadline, and SFRPC filed a Motion for Summary Judgment. The hearing on the Motion for Summary Judgment was scheduled, and then reset at Dawson's request for October 23, 2019. A Motion for Judicial Default against Dawson was filed on October 25, 2019.

SFRPC requested an Amended Complaint to add a foreclosure count. A Motion to Amend Complaint was filed and there were two (2) initial hearings on the motion. Both times, the Court delayed a ruling on the motions, pending mediation. Ultimately, SFRPC set the hearing on the Motion to Amend Complaint six separate times, and each time the hearing was continued either due to the Judge ordering mediation or due to Dawson's requests for a continuance. The seventh

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time the Motion to Amend was set for a hearing, the Court granted SFRPC's motion and allowed SFRPC to Amend the Complaint to add the foreclosure count.

A Motion to Strike Defendants First Amended Affirmative Defenses was filed on November 13, 2019. A Motion to Dismiss Dawson's Counterclaim was filed on December 19, 2019. On June 15, 2020 a hearing was set for the court to hear SFRPC's Motion for Judicial Default, Motion for Leave to File Amended Complaint, Motion to Strike Defendants' First Amended Affirmative Defenses and Motion to Dismiss Counterclaim. Dawson filed a new Counterclaim and new Answer and Affirmative Defenses just prior to the hearing, which the court accepted in place of the defective pleadings. SFRPC's motions were denied due to the court accepting the replacement pleadings. Dawson filed various additional pleadings, including an Affidavit of Excusable Neglect and an Affidavit from Ed McGann. Dawson filed a Request for Production on June 8, 2020, requesting a significant volume of documents which are unrelated to the pending litigation. SFRPC's objection to the discovery request was filed on July 8, 2020.

Litigation of this matter has been extended and complicated by the volume of pleadings filed by Ms. Dawson; each pleading requires a response from SFRPC. Mediation occurred on October 29, 2020 before Judge Lynch. The parties were not able to reach a settlement at mediation.

Since the Court was encouraging the parties to mediate, SFRPC staff focused on attempting to settle with Dawson and to manage the costs of litigation by bringing this matter to a conclusion through settlement. With that intent, SFRPC made multiple offers and counter-offers to Ms. Dawson. As a follow-up to mediation, on November 3, 2020 and January 27, 2021, SFRPC sent a written settlement offer to Dawson and her attorney. SFRPC followed up again with written settlement offer to Dawson and her attorney on March 8, 2021. SFRPC made significant concessions and reductions of the late fees in a good faith attempt to settle the matter without further litigation. Despite SFRPC's multiple concessions, Ms. Dawson would not agree to any of the SFRPC's settlement proposals. Dawson submitted a Counteroffer which was transmitted to SFRPC on March 12, 2021. Per RLF Committee, the decision was made to proceed with the litigation.

The hearing on SFRPC's Motion to Amend the Complaint was set for June 24, 2021. At that hearing, the Court continued the hearing to September 2, 2021. SFRPC's Motion to Amend Complaint was granted and the Defendants had 20 days to file a response to the Amended Complaint. On September 3, 2021, the Court also entered an Order granting Dawson's request to file an Amended Counterclaim in response to SFRPC's Amended Complaint. On September 22, 2021, Defendants, Angela L. Dawson, P.A. and Angela Dawson filed their Answer to Plaintiff's Amended Complaint dated June 23, 2021. On October 1, 2021, SFRPC filed a Motion to Strike Dawson's Second Amended Affirmative Defenses. On October 15, 2021, a hearing on the Motion to Strike was scheduled for January 26, 2022. On January 26, 2022, the court ordered a Mandatory Case Management Conference to be held on March 28, 2022.

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On February 2, 2022, the Court entered an order on the Motion to Strike as follows: Defendants' first affirmative defense of in pari delicto is stricken without prejudice; Defendants' second affirmative defense of bad faith is stricken with leave to amend within twenty (20) days of the date of this Order; Defendants' fourth affirmative defense of fraudulent inducement is stricken with prejudice; Defendants' fifth affirmative defense of fraudulent misrepresentation is stricken with prejudice; Defendants' seventh affirmative defense of unjust enrichment is stricken with prejudice; Defendants' eleventh affirmative defense of ratification is stricken with leave to amend within twenty (20) days of the date of the Order. Plaintiff's Motion to Strike Defendants' Amended Affirmative Defenses was hereby denied as to the following affirmative defenses: Defendants' third affirmative defense of unclean hands; Defendants' sixth affirmative defense of promissory estoppel; Defendants' eighth affirmative defense of modification; Defendants' ninth affirmative defense of equitable estoppel; and Defendants' tenth affirmative defense of waiver.

Our Motion to dismiss the Defendants' amended counterclaim is set for hearing on May 4, 2022 at 9:30 am. On February 9, 2022, Plaintiff filed a reply to Defendants' affirmative defenses. On February 15, 2022, Defendants filed amended affirmative defenses. On February 22, 2022, Plaintiff filed a reply to the amended affirmative defenses.

On March 25, 2022, SFRPC responded to Dawson's request for a settlement offer, renewed the prior settlement dated November 30, 2020, and left it open for ninety (90) days. As of June 23, 2022, the settlement offer has expired.

On May 4, 2022, the Court entered an Order for Uniform Case Management to be held August 22, 2022. On May 4, 2022, Judge Bidwell granted SFRPC's Motion to Dismiss Dawson's Counterclaim as to all counts. However, the Judge provided Dawson twenty (20) days to amend her complaint.

On May 23, 2022, Defendant served pre-suit notice on the Council and the Florida Department of Financial Services. On May 24, 2022, Defendant filed a Third Amended Counterclaim which was later deemed abandoned by the Clerk's office. On May 31, 2022, without permission of the Court, Defendant filed a Fourth Amended Counterclaim. On June 3, 2022, SFRPC filed a Motion to Dismiss Dawson's Third and Fourth Amended Counterclaims with Prejudice. A hearing on the SFRPC's Motion to Dismiss is scheduled for Friday, December 2, 2022. On June 30, 2022, Dawson filed an emergency motion with the Court asking the Court to require SFRPC to release its mortgage cross collateralized against 2748 NW 8th St. Fort Lauderdale.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Kerry L. Ezrol

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July 8, 2022

Records Custodian

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7/8/22 @ 4:45 PM
INVESTIGATOR # C220954

Re: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Dear Records Custodian:

Pursuant to Article 1, section 24 of the Florida Constitution, and Chapter 119, Florida Statute, I hereby request the following as it pertains to SFRPC Hollywood Office:

1. Copies of the annual reports under the Revolving Loan Fund for the period of fiscal year 2015 to the current;
2. Copies of the loss reports under the Revolving Loan Fund for the period of the fiscal year 2015 to the current;
3. Copies of correspondence between SFRPC and any Community Development Financial Institution pertaining to their acceptance and/or denial of applications/requests to become certified under Community Development Financial Institutions from 2015 to the current;
4. Award letter of funds to be disbursed to SFRPC under the Economic Development Administration and any other Federal Agencies for the years 2015 to the current;
5. List of loans approved by SFRPC to include the business name and address under the Revolving Loan Fund for the period of the fiscal year 2015 to the current;
6. List of all law firms and attorneys that participated in any bidding process to secure legal work under the Revolving Loan Fund and Economic Development Administration for the period of fiscal year 2010 to the current;

7. Copies of all bid proposals from all law firms and attorneys that participated in the bidding process to secure legal work under the Revolving Loan Fund Program and Economic Development Administration for the period of fiscal year 2010 to the current;
8. Copies of all bills, invoices, cancelled checks, contracts, attorney names and any other agents or staff of Goren, Cherof, Doody & Ezrol P.A. as it pertains to payment for services rendered under the Revolving Loan Fund, Economic Development Administration and any other Program that was awarded federal funds.
9. Copies of the award letter, payment history, and loss report for Super Kids Christian Daycare.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me before filling my request. Also, I am able to receive the above documents in PDF form or print copy.

Should you deny my request, or any part of the request, please state in writing the basis of the denial, including the exact statutory citation authorizing the denial as required by F.S. 119.07 (1) (d).

If you have any questions in the interim, you may contact me at 954-549-7111 or via email at adawsonlaw@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,



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