

## City Council – Action Request Form

**Date:** October 11, 2021

**To:** Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of City Council

**From:** Ben Rowe, Assistant City Manager  
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**Council Action Requested:**

Consideration of Items Related to a Redevelopment Project in the 14<sup>th</sup> Street/New Walkertown Road Area:

- A. Resolution Authorizing the Amended Allocation of Revitalizing Urban Commercial Areas (RUCA) and Commercial Redevelopment of Blighted Areas (CRBA) funds
- B. Amendment to FY21-22 Project Budget Ordinance

**Strategic Focus Area:** Economic Vitality and Diversity

**Strategic Objective:** Promote Commercial Development in Economically Disadvantaged Areas

**Strategic Plan Action Item:** No

**Key Work Item:** No



**Summary of Information:**

In February 2020 City Council approved a \$400,000 RUCA/CRBA Matching Loan representing 50% of the project cost to Mr. Rajesh Shah for the construction of a new 3,600 sf commercial building with three tenant spaces at 2500 New Walkertown Road. The project would also connect the new building site to the adjacent convenience store/gas station, which has been owned and operated by Mr. Shah for over 20 years.

As construction neared, the general contractor recognized the difficulty for gasoline trucks and vendor trailer trucks to navigate the ingress and egress. As a result, the scope of the project has been modified to 2,400 sf with two tenant spaces. Because the total cost of construction decreased, the amended RUCA/CRBA Matching Loan will decrease to \$300,000. This remains 50% of the total project cost. The remaining \$100,000 will be returned to the general CRBA account.

This Council Action includes a resolution amending the loan amount, as well as an amendment to the FY21-22 Project Budget Ordinance to return the unused funds to the general CRBA budget.

**Committee Action:**

<b>Committee</b>	<u>Finance 10/11/21</u>	<b>Action</b>	<u>Approval</u>
<b>For</b>	<u>Unanimous</u>	<b>Against</b>	<u></u>

**Remarks:**