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Fort Piece Mayor Announces Commercial Façade Grant Recipients

Fort Pierce, Fla. – Fort Pierce Mayor Linda Hudson has announced that eight commercial property owners will receive \$50,000 through the Commercial Façade grant program. The program was funded through the City's federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and offered 50/50 matching grants up to \$10,000 to property owners interested in improving the facades of their commercial buildings. Façade improvements include signage, paint, lighting, awnings, windows, parking, roof repairs, fencing, and other exterior enhancements.

Each year, the City receives CDBG dollars from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and uses a portion of the funds to encourage economic growth.

“The intent of these grant awards is to halt structural deterioration, stabilize property values, and improve and upgrade the appearance of commercial buildings within the City of Fort Pierce,” explained Mayor Hudson. “Assisting commercial property owners with façade improvements will increase business growth and economic investment in our City.”

Following is a list of the commercial property addresses and the owners that were selected to receive commercial façade grants this year, as well as the amount of each award:

- 100 North 2nd Street – RFMD Investments, Inc. - \$3,500
- 131 North 2nd Street – Richard A Coke Investments, LLC - \$10,000
- 106 Avenue D – Randy J. Chapman - \$4,500
- 1710 Avenue D – Sharon Robinson - \$5,000
- 211 Orange Avenue – Alan and Donna Roberts - \$10,000
- 2624 S. U.S. Hwy. 1 - CHOMES, LLC - \$10,000
- 2835 S. U.S. Hwy. 1 – Capital Trust - \$2,500
- 1142 and 1160 Seaway Drive – At Water Investments, LLC - \$4,500

Applications for funding were scored by the Communitywide Council (CWC), a committee comprised of local volunteers. The City Commission approved the CWC’s funding recommendations at their regularly scheduled meeting on March 3, 2014.

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