AGENDA SUBSTANITAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2019-2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

July 28, 2021 McCulloch Building 182 Green Street Room 10

<u>Substantial amendment</u>: The Town will transfer about \$50,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds available under the CARES Act from its Small Business Grant Program to its Emergency Housing Assistance program to help income qualified residents pay rent and mortgage costs. Such CDBG funds must be used to prevent, prepare for, or respond to the coronavirus. Emergency housing assistance is needed to help residents address financial constraints related to the pandemic like job loss, illness, etc. While there have been an insufficient number of applications for SBG assistance, the need for Emergency Housing Assistance remains high.

- 1. Introduction to staff
- 2. Brief overview of CDBG-CV funds and the Emergency Housing Assistance Program
- 3. Comments from NeighborWorks Housing Solutions MA regarding the Emergency Housing Assistance program and the need for further funding.
- 4. Hearing is open to the public for questions
- 5. Wrap up