Public Hearing Sweet Home January 11, 2022

Good evening Mayor and Council members. I’m Liza Newcomb, the home repair manager from DevNW. The Community Development Block Grant sponsored by the city in 2019 is complete, and I’m here to report on the success we’ve had helping homeowners in Linn County.

18 projects located in Lebanon, Sweet Home and rural Linn County were undertaken affecting 28 individuals. In spite of COVID delays and shut downs, we provided $377,871 in block grant funds for construction, including 10 grants to homeowners in parks.

The work included roofing, siding, windows, doors, bathroom repairs and remodels, plumbing repairs and upgrades including new service lines, heating system replacements, electrical upgrades including new service lines and panels, and interior and exterior painting. For many of our projects we were fortunate to partner with Community Services Consortium. They provided weatherization services to our mutual clients which brought even more value to each project.

Thank you to you and your staff, on behalf of the homeowners whom we helped over the past 2 years and for your continued support for DevNW programs. I look forward to working with you again in the future.