

Public Hearing

Community and Economic Development Committee

Community Development Block Grant Program

- Citizen Participation Plan
Amendment



4:00 P.M.

June 10, 2020



Intro to CDBG

Lee's Summit is an Entitlement community. As an Entitlement community, Lee's Summit receives an annual allocation of funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).

In order to utilize the funds, the City must adopt a citizen participation plan outlining the jurisdictions policies and procedures for citizen participation. The City most recently amended and adopted its citizen participation plan in December 2019.

Special Funding & Waivers

- Due to COVID-19, the City will receive a special allocation of CARES Act funds (\$219,061) to provide relief to low-to-moderate income individuals affected by the pandemic.
 - The City will amend its 2020 Annual Action Plan to include this funding
- In order for cities to make the funding available to their communities sooner, HUD created waivers that cities could utilize, so long as their citizen participation plans are amended. These waivers allow for virtual public hearings, and a reduced public comment period of no less than 5 days.

Proposed CPP Amendments

1. Virtual public hearings as an allowed method for citizen participation upon declaration of a disaster or emergency event
2. Allow for an expedited review and public comment period reducing that period from no less than 30 calendar days, to no less than 5 calendar days upon declaration of a disaster or emergency event
 - *If these amendments are approved, it will allow for our 2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment to be approved sooner due to a reduced public comment period. It will also allow us to expedite our plan amendment process should future disasters occur.*

I. Summary:

Document	Legal Notice	Public Hearing Requirement	Public Review & Comment Period Required	Local Approval Authority
Consolidated Plan with Citizen Participation Plan	15 Calendar Days	2 Public Hearings Annually	30 Calendar Days	City Council
Annual Action Plan	15 Calendar Days	2 Public Hearings Annually	30 Calendar Days	City Council
Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report	15 Calendar Days	Not Required	15 Calendar Days	Not Required
Substantial Amendments to Consolidated Plan	15 Calendar Days	1 Public Hearing	30 Calendar Days	City Council
Substantial Amendments to Citizen Participation Plan	15 Calendar Days	1 Public Hearing	15 Calendar Days	City Council
Non-substantial Amendments to Consolidated Plan and Action Plan	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required	Administrative
 Substantial Amendments to all Plans Upon Emergency Event	15 Calendar Days	1 Public Hearing (Allowed Virtually)	5 Calendar Days	City Council

CPP Amendment Process

- Notice of Public Hearing for CPP Amendment Advertised in LS Tribune and on LS Website (May 23)
- Council CEDC Public Hearing & Recommendation (June 10)
- Public Review and Comment Period (June 11 – June 25)
- City Council Adoption (July 7)

Discussion

CEDC Recommendation