

Legislation Text

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The 2016-17 CDBG Annual Action Plan

Issue/Request:

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Key Issues:

Staff will present the final draft of the 2016-17 Annual Action Plan for the City's Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG) with CEDC's recommendation on the allocation of the 2016-17 CDBG grant funds as well as reallocation of remaining CDBG funds from various programs/projects funded in prior years.

Proposed City Council Motion:

I move to direct staff to present an ordinance for the adoption of the 2016-17 CDBG Annual Action Plan.

Background:

Lee's Summit is an Entitlement City under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). An annual grant is provided to the City to meet the Three National Objectives of the CDBG program: Benefiting low-to-moderate income persons, address slum or blight, and meeting urgent needs. For the 2016-17 program year, CDBG grant amount will be \$369,299 for the Lee's Summit program.

To receive this grant, HUD requires that the City submit an Annual Action Plan each year outlining programs and projects and grant allocation to implement the community goals and objectives established in the City's Consolidated Plan (a 5-year master plan of the program). The City conducts an open public process each year to solicit funding requests from local government and non-profit agencies and prioritize the requests and adopt a plan for implementation of programs and projects approved for funding.

The CEDC held a public hearing on April 18, 2016 as a part of this open public process and recommended approval of the 2016-17 Annual Action Plan and forwarding on to the City Council for adoption by ordinance. The 2016-17 Annual Action Plan includes funding levels for various proposed programs and projects sponsored by City departments and local non-profit agencies. A 30-day public review and comment period was provided starting late March through April 29. No public comments were received by the City.

Impact/Analysis:

The CDBG Program provides annual funding from the federal government to support local housing and support service programs benefiting low-to-moderate income persons and families, which are normally heavily dependent upon grants, donations and other private resources. The program will also help cover part of the City's administrative cost of operating the CDBG Program.

Timeline:

Start: 7/1/2016

Finish: 12/31/2017

Other Information/Unique Characteristics:

Funds allocated for Public Service programs shall be spent before 6/30/2017. Funds allocated for construction related projects should stick to the 18-month rule based on the date of the signing of the grant agreement, but may be extended if the project needs additional time to complete.

Committee Recommendation: CEDC recommends approval of the 2016-17 Annual Action Plan by ordinance