

Legislation Text

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Public Hearing: City of Lee's Summit 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan (Draft) of the Community Development Block Grant Program

Issue/Request:

The draft 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan will be presented for discussion and public input. The Plan identifies priority needs of the community and sets goals and strategies to address those needs in the next five years.

Key Issues:

Presentation and discussion of the draft 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and the Citizen Participation Plan (Amended) of the CDBG program, as required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Proposed Committee Motion:

FIRST MOTION: I move for a second reading to recommend approval, by ordinance, of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the Amended Citizen Participation Plan.

Background:

Lee's Summit has been an Entitlement community since 1994, receiving annual allocations of funding from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program through HUD to support local programs and projects benefiting low-to-moderate income persons and households, addressing slum and blight conditions and meeting urgent needs. As a CDBG grantee, the City is required to prepare and adopt a Consolidated Plan (CON PLAN) every 5 years. The CON PLAN is a strategic plan that establishes the foundation for decisions on annual distribution of funding through Annual Action Plans (AP). Through community participation, priority needs are identified and 5-year goals, objectives and strategies to address those needs are developed. Following several months of public consultation, community engagement, and analytical work, the draft plan has been completed.

A Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) is a federally mandated plan that sets forth local policies and procedures to encourage citizen participation in the development of the CON PLAN and AP, as well as subsequent substantial amendments to these plans. Staff revisits the current CPP at the same time the CON PLAN is prepared. The proposed amendment to the 2015 CPP will not affect the content of the plan, except the addition of reference numbers to specific Federal regulations associated with specific policies and procedural requirements written in the CPP.

CDBG regulations require a 30-day public comment period for any CDBG related plans and substantial amendments. For the 2020-2024 CON PLAN and the Amendment to the CPP, a 30-day public comment period is provided between Nov. 8 and Dec. 9.

Impact/Analysis:

The CDBG program provides annual funding from the federal government to support local affordable housing needs, public service programs, public infrastructure improvements, and community development needs benefiting the low to moderate income population. The CON PLAN recognizes priority needs of the community that can be addressed with program funds from CDBG and establishes goals for accomplishments.

Timeline:

Start: 2020

Finish: 2024

Other Information/Unique Characteristics:

The 2020-2024 CON PLAN covers 5 program years, from July, 2020 to June, 2024. The CPP becomes effective when adopted and remains effective until amended.

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Recommendation: Staff recommends that CEDC review the draft 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and the Amended Citizen Participation Plan draft and approve a committee recommendation for Council adoption by ordinance of these draft plans.

Committee Recommendation: The Community and Economic Development Committee voted unanimously 3-0 (Councilmember Faith absent) to recommend for City Council approval, by ordinance, of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the Amended Citizen Participation Plan.