

## Legislation Text

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An Ordinance approving the City of Lee's Summit Entitlement Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan. (CEDC 3/11/2020)

Issue/Request:

Approval of the 2020-2021 CDBG Annual Action Plan

Key Issues:

To receive CDBG funding from HUD for the 2020-21 program year, the City is required to submit an Annual Action Plan that lays out the community's goals and objectives for the grant program as well as programs and projects to be funded to implement the 2020-24 Consolidated Plan. The City Council needs to adopt the proposed 2020-21 Action Plan by ordinance.

Proposed City Council Motion:

FIRST MOTION: I move for second reading of an ordinance approving the City of Lee's Summit Entitlement Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan.

SECOND MOTION: I move for adoption of an ordinance approving the City of Lee's Summit Entitlement Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2020-2021 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. The City was awarded \$372,384 for the 2020-21 program year, which is a decrease of \$1,355 from the previous year. In addition, the City has surplus funds in the amount of \$21,067 remaining from prior year CDBG activities due to cancellations. Due to a decrease in funding received from HUD and an increased number of applications for the capped public service category, we are not able to fully fund each applicant's request. Staff confirmed with each public service applicant that they would accept less funding and that their programs would not be discontinued.

To receive this grant, HUD requires that the City submit an Annual Action Plan each year outlining programs, projects, and grant allocations 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 prioritizes the requests and adopts a plan for implementation of programs and projects approved for funding.

The CEDC held a public hearing on March 11, 2020 as a part of this open public process. During the CEDC public hearing, grant applicants had an opportunity to present their proposals and funding needs, and staff presented funding allocation recommendations. The CEDC reduced staff's funding recommendation for CDBG Program Administration by \$2,383.40 in order to fully fund Lee's Summit Housing Authorities \$140,000 funding request for the Duncan Estates Exterior Rehab project. No other changes were made by the CEDC. The CEDC approved a recommendation for the City Council to adopt by ordinance the 2020-21 Annual Action Plan based on the attached funding recommendations. A 30-day public review and comment period was provided starting March 13, 2020 through April 17, 2020. No public comments were received by the City during the public comment period.

Timeline:

Start: 07/1/2020

Finish: For public service programs 06-30-2021 and for construction 12-31-2021

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Staff recommends approval of the City of Lee's Summit Entitlement Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan by ordinance.

The Community and Economic Development Committee approved the attached funding recommendation unanimously for City Council consideration.