



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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Agenda Date: 10/28/2020

In Control: Public Comment

DEPARTMENT: Neighborhood and Housing Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Verónica R. Soto, FAICP, Director

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City-Wide

SUBJECT: Substantial Amendment #1 to the FY 2021 Action Plan and Budget

SUMMARY:

Public Hearing for Substantial Amendment #1 to the FY2021 HUD Action Plan and Budget to reprogram an amount not to exceed \$4,875,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from Affordable Rental and Homeownership Housing Development to the Emergency Housing Assistance Program.

BACKGROUND:

On August 13, 2020, through Ordinance 2020-08-13-0531, City Council approved the FY 2021 Action Plan and Budget (Action Plan) which set aside \$4,875,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for affordable housing development gap funding (\$3,250,000 for rental housing development and \$1,625,000 for homeownership housing development).

PROPOSED ACTION:

Substantial Amendment #1 to the FY 2021 Action Plan and Budget, proposes reprogramming the \$4,875,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding set aside for affordable housing development funding to the COVID-19 Emergency Housing Assistance Program to assist vulnerable populations at risk of homelessness due to the impacts of COVID-19. This program provides assistance for rent or mortgage, utilities, and internet.

City Council will consider this action on Thursday, October 29, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Citizen Participation

On October 23, 2020, the City issued a public notice in the San Antonio Express-News initiating a 5-day public comment period on this proposed action which ends on October 28, 2020 and announced a virtual public hearing on October 28, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. via videoconference. The public can submit written comments or sign up to speak at the Public Hearing using the eComment link associated with the agenda at www.sanantonio.gov/agenda <<http://www.sanantonio.gov/agenda>>. Comments may also be submitted at www.sanantonio.gov/gmainaction <<http://www.sanantonio.gov/gmainaction>> or provided in writing to the Neighborhood & Housing Services Department, Division of Grants Monitoring and Administration, 1400 S. Flores, Unit 3, San Antonio, Texas 78204, Monday - Friday, 7:45 am - 4:30 pm, or by e-mail at communitydevelopment@sanantonio.gov <<mailto:communitydevelopment@sanantonio.gov>>. All comments will be accepted until October 28, 2020.

In addition, a summary of this proposed action is available for review and comment on the City's website www.sanantonio.gov/gma <<http://www.sanantonio.gov/gma>>.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City is statutorily required to undergo this process for federally funded programs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This item will not have an impact on the General Fund Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

No action required.