

Olympia CDBG Consolidated Plan – Alignment with Other Plans

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five Year Consolidated Plan lays out the City's strategies for investing federal funding in a range of community development needs. Last year the General Government Committee discussed options to align CDBG strategies with other plans which are summarized as follows:

- **Downtown Strategy** Calls for more housing, economic opportunities, ADA accessible walk ways, and well managed social services in the urban hub.
- **Community Renewal Area Strategies** Encourages the elimination of urban blight in key areas with housing, economic development opportunities and the creation of jobs for low and moderate income people.
- **Economic Development Strategies;** Encourages a broad range of city-wide economic development which includes job creation for low & moderate income people.
- **County Five-Year Homeless Housing Plan** (*Scheduled for May 2018 release*) Calls for more affordable housing, emergency shelter capacity, day centers, 24/7 accommodations for all homeless populations, supportive services and review of local zoning and development policies to encourage more affordable housing.
- **Regional Fair Housing Plan:** (*Subject to local adoption as per other agenda item*) Encourages better geographic distribution of affordable housing and a review of local zoning and development policies to encourage more affordable housing. **Please note:** Due to Federal action to delay adoption until the year 2020, the strategies from this plan are no longer required for the upcoming CDBG Five-Year Consolidated Plan. As a result, Council will have an opportunity to consider local adoption.

In addition to these plans, the Committee may also want to consider how our CDBG program will align with the Olympia Home Fund which was approved by voters in February of 2018.