



General Government Committee

Priority Strategies for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

The General Government Committee made recommendations on priority strategies in 2017

City Manager Recommendation:

Recommend priority strategies for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan and forward to full Council.

Report

Issue:

Whether to recommend priority strategies for the Community Development Block Grant Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022).

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Presenter(s):

Anna Schlecht, Community Service Programs Manager.

Background and Analysis:

The goal for tonight's meeting is to consider continuing the 2017 General Government Committee recommendations and/or to develop new recommendations for priority strategies for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022). The attached "Options for Community Development Block Grant Strategies" presents the 2017 Committee recommendations.

Please note that the first year of the Five-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan will be the coming Program Year (PY) 2018 (addressed in a separate agenda item). The Committee's recommendations will go

to Council, who will then launch the CDBG Citizen Participation Process on the following timeline:

April 25	General Government Committee Recommendations
May 22	Council action to launch the CDBG Citizen Participation Process
May 23 - June 23	30 Day CDBG Citizen Participation Process
June 12	Public Hearing - Five-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan
June 26	Council review & approval of draft 5-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan
July 13	Submission of Five-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan to HUD

Prior Discussions: This item was discussed at General Government Committee during four meetings in 2017: April 26, August 23, October 6 and November 17.

Alignment with other Plans: Last year the Committee discussed options to align CDBG strategies with other plans, their respective goals are summarized in the attachment “Olympia CDBG Consolidated Plan - Alignment with Other Plans”. In addition to these plans, the Committee may also want to consider how our CDBG program will align with the Olympia Home Fund.

Joint Consolidated Planning Process with Thurston County: Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that the City and the County work together to develop a joint Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The City and the County contract with State Department of Commerce to scope the joint plan, to gather needs data and to assist in the development of priority strategies. Both the County and the City will develop their unique strategies for the Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

CDBG Program Purpose - The CDBG Program was created as a “bundled” federal aid program intended to aid the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income. Regulations for the CDBG Program are contained in 24 CFR 570.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

All neighborhoods and community stakeholders have an interest in how federal CDBG funds are invested in community development programs and projects.

Options:

- 1) Identify and recommend priority strategies for the Five-Year Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022) to ensure a timely submission to HUD.
- 2) Do not identify priority strategies for the Five-Year Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022). This will delay the process and could risk non-compliance resulting from a late submission to HUD.

Financial Impact:

The Five-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022) will guide the multi-year investment of an estimated total of **\$2,500,000**. This includes projected annual revenues of \$500,000, which includes

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an estimated \$350,000 in new CDBG funds and \$150,000 in CDBG Program Income from prior year loans.

Attachments:

Draft Five-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan Strategies

Olympia CDBG Consolidated Plan - Alignment with Other Plans

CDBG Program Annual Cycle