



City Council

Public Hearing on the Draft Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

The General Government Committee reviewed the draft CDBG Five-Year Consolidated Plan at its April 25, 2018 meeting.

City Manager Recommendation:

Hold a public hearing on the Draft Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan to receive public comments.

Report

Issue:

Whether to hear testimony on the Draft Community Development Block Grant Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022).

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

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Background and Analysis:

The Council will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on the Draft Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022). This public hearing is part of the 30-day CDBG Citizen Participation Process. The strategies are outlined in the attached, "Draft Community Development Block Grant Strategies." Any public comments received will be placed at Council's desks the night of the public hearing.

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.

Public Process: The draft Five-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan will be made available for public review in the CDBG Citizen Participation Process, summarized as follows:

April 25	General Government Committee Recommendations
May 22	Council launch of 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

Please note that the first year of the Five-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan will be the coming Program Year (PY) 2018 which is addressed in a separate agenda item.

Prior Discussions: This item was discussed at four prior meetings on October 6, 2017, November 17, 2017 and April 25, 2018. There was a prior Council discussion on May 22, 2018. May 22, 2018.

Alignment with other Plans: The Council has a stated goal to align CDBG strategies with other plans. Related plans and 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 contracted 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. This plan is presented in the attached "Citizen Summary - Regional Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022)" and the longer version, "Draft Regional Consolidated Plan (2018 -2022) - Full Federal Format".

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. Hold a public hearing on the Draft Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan to receive public comments.
2. Delay the public hearing on the Draft Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022) and risk non-compliance resulting from a late submission to

HUD. Provide staff direction on next steps.

Financial Impact:

The Five-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan (2018 - 2022) will guide the investment of an estimated total of \$2,500,000. This includes projected annual revenues of \$350,000 in new CDBG funds, and \$150,000 in CDBG Program Income from prior year loans.

Attachments:

Draft Consolidated Plan Strategies
Alignment with Other Plans
CDBG Program Annual Cycle
Draft Citizen Summary
Draft Regional Consolidated Plan