

City Council

Public Hearing to Consider an Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2019 Action Plan Coronavirus Funding Allocation

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Both the General Government Committee and Finance Committee reviewed the proposed Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV 3) Program Year 2019 Action Plan amendment and recommend holding a public hearing and approval by the full City Council.

City Manager Recommendation:

Hold a public hearing. Once the hearing has concluded, move to approve the CDBG CV-3 Coronavirus Program Year 2019 Action Plan amendment.

Report

Issue:

Whether to hold a public hearing and consider approval of the CDBG CV-3 Coronavirus Action Plan.

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Presenter(s):

Cary Retlin, Housing Programs Manager, Community Planning and Development

Background and Analysis:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Consolidated Plan require that the City conduct a public participation process in order to allocate CDBG funds. A minimum five-day public participation period must be conducted to allow opportunity for public comment on the CDBG-CV 3 allocations. That period was opened at the November 2 Council Meeting and this process was posted in The Olympian and on the City's website.

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After this public hearing Council will consider action on this topic.

In addition to CDBG and CDBG-CV activities previously approved by City Council, the CDBG CV-3 allocations include the following new or expanded activities and programs:

- Increased funding for the South Sound Senior Center and the Food Bank of Thurston County.
- Funding for an evening Outreach Program to help to prevent and respond to the spread of the coronavirus and lessen its impacts in the unhoused community.
- Increased funding for the Homeless Response Coordinator.
- Increased funding for Program Administration and Management.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

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

Options:

- 1. Hold the public hearing and approve the CDBG CV-3 Coronavirus Action Plan.
- 2. Hold the public hearing and modify the CDBG CV-3 Coronavirus Action Plan.
- 3. Hold the public hearing and direct staff to take other action.

Financial Impact:

This public engagement process opens public comment on the proposed CDBG-CV 3 allocation totaling \$370,161 related to economic development and public service Coronavirus response.

Attachments:

CDBG CV-3 Budget CDBG Quick Guide