

Substantial Amendment to the FY2025 Annual Action Plan



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City Council



Substantial Amendment

- Annually the City submits to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development an Annual Action Plan (AAP) that includes the projects to be funded with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) allocation.
- A substantial amendment to the City's Annual Action Plan is required when new projects are added
- Reprogramming of funds can be necessary for several reasons including:
 - Changes to project and activity feasibility and eligibility
 - Changes in costs
 - Timing



Best Practice and City Processes

- Both written HUD guidance and HUD technical assistance providers have recommended changes to the way the City funds CDBG projects.
- One recommendation is to move away from approving only one or two projects and activities in their entirety and move to priority lists.
- Another recommendation is to fund design and construction in the different allocation year.



FY2025 AAP Reprogramming

- After reconciling commitments and final costs there is \$1.4 million of CDBG funds available for reprogramming from these projects:
 - Ben Garza Gym Improvements
 - Central Kitchen Generator
 - Dilworth Park Pavilion
 - Littles Martin House Restoration
 - HEB Park Parking Lot
 - Minor Home Repair
 - Program Administration and Delivery
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Primary and Alternative Projects

- Recommended Public Facilities projects are listed in two priority groups.
 - If Primary projects and activities are determined to be infeasible, ineligible, or untimely, a replacement from the Alternative list will be selected.
 - Primary projects and activities may be reconsidered if project and activity conditions change.
 - Costs are estimated (Attachment A). Actual costs may be higher or lower.
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New Primary Projects

- Based on the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, Area Development Plans, and the timely expenditure of CDBG funds, these projects are being recommended as Primary Projects :
 - Park Amenities such as swings, tables, benches, etc.
 - Basketball Court Improvements
 - Oak Park Recreation Center Roof
 - Greenwood Pool Filter Renovation
 - Ben Garza Generator Design
 - Garcia Park Softball Fencing
 - New Bayview Cemetery Improvements and Lighting Design
 - Oak Park Playground Construction
 - Playground Improvement Design
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New Alternative Projects

- If a Primary project is determined to be infeasible, ineligible or untimely, a recommended Alternative project will be chosen.
Alternative projects are:
 - Ben Garza Generator Construction for Trailer and Permanent Generator
 - Westchester Park Playground Construction
 - New Bayview Cemetery Improvements
 - Garcia Park Phase II Trail Design
 - Catalina Martinez Park Construction
 - San Carlos Park Construction
 - Brookdale Park Construction
 - Playground Improvements Design
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Recommendation

- Staff recommends that the reprogramming for Public Facilities projects and activities be approved with the primary and alternative system and that the HUD-required Citizen Participation Plan be amended to include the HUD-recommended funding approval process.
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