



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for City Council Meeting April 21, 2020

DATE: 4/17/2020

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Substantial Amendment to the FY2019-2020 Consolidated Annual Action Plan

CAPTION:

Ordinance amending the City's Consolidated Annual Action Plan (CAAP) of entitlement funding from HUD for FY 2019-2020; accepting and appropriating \$803,100.00 from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) and \$1,622,820.00 for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) funding in FY 2019-2020; authorizing the execution of all documents necessary to accept, appropriate, and disburse the funds; to execute all agreements, amendments and all other documents necessary to implement the additional ESG-CV and CDBG-CV funding from HUD with organizations for approved projects; and declaring an emergency.

SUMMARY:

In accordance with HUD and the City of Corpus Christi's (City) 5-year Consolidated Annual Action Plan (CAAP), "Substantial Amendments" are required to amend each CAAP which will trigger a comment period once motion is approved (24 CFR 91.105). A "Substantial Change" is required due to receiving additional funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

This is an amendment to the FY2019-2020 Consolidated Annual Action Plan which was adopted by City Council by ordinance on July 23, 2019. The amendment will include the City of Corpus Christi's Housing and Community Development Department to receive and administer \$1,622,820 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and \$803,100 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). HUD has allowed for a 5-day public comment period. The comment period will begin on Monday, April 20 and end on Friday, April 24

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

On March 27, 2020, President Donald Trump signed into law the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has allocated

funding to the City of Corpus Christi's Community Development Block Grant and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program. For the Mortgage and Utility Assistance, \$1M is identified in the CDBG program to assist families who have been financially impacted. Rental and Utility Assistance of \$600K is identified in the ESG program to assist those eligible under ESG. The difference being CDBG allows for mortgage assistance, whereas ESG funding does not allow for mortgage assistance but for rental assistance.

In addition to the \$1.6M allocated for Mortgage/Rental and Utility Assistance, \$300,000 for a Quarantine Motel Voucher Program, \$122,820 in Public Health District Supplies, \$200,000 for Senior Care Meals, and \$203,100 for Homelessness Equipment and Supplies. The funding has been determined to be needs and gaps in the community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

ALTERNATIVES:

Changing funding for programs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The City will receive and allocate an additional \$2,425,920 in federal grant funds.

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1059

Organization/Activity: N/A

Mission Element: 132

Project # (CIP Only):

Account: 530000

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the approval of the project recommendations for CDBG and ESG.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance

CDBG Projects Attachment

ESG Projects Attachment