

MEMORANDUM

TO: Donna Barron, City Manager

FROM: Chris McGinn, Director of Neighborhood and Inspection Services

DATE: July 24, 2018

SUBJECT: **Public Hearing: Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Adoption of the Community Development Block Grant 2019 Annual Action Plan; Authorization for the City Manager to Submit the Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and Acknowledgement of Receipt of the Recommended FY 2019-2020 City Social Service Agency Fund Budget of \$170,000 From the CDBG Advisory Committee.**

BACKGROUND

This agenda item provides for the adoption of the CDBG Annual Action Plan and allows the City Council to acknowledge receipt of the CDBG Advisory Committee's recommended FY 2019-2020 City Social Service Agency Fund Budget. The committee voted 4-0 on July 16, 2019 to recommend a revised social service agency budget as well as for approval of the Annual Action Plan which includes funds for a Park Development and Accessibility project.

ANALYSIS

Adoption of Annual Action Plan

Each year the City must submit an Annual Action Plan proposing to spend Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds on priorities identified in the City's 2017 Five-Year Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development for the CDBG program. This year's CDBG allocation to the City will be \$725,927 compared to \$699,808 in FY 2018-2019. In addition, the plan allocates \$26,426 from program income resulting from repayments to the Homebuyer program.

The Annual Action Plan was made available for public review during a 30 day public comment period beginning on July 5, 2019 and was advertised for a public hearing before Council on August 5, 2019. The plan includes a chart summarizing comments from public hearings of the CDBG Advisory Committee last fall.

The 2019 Annual Action Plan fulfills HUD's requirements to receive CDBG entitlement grant funds for Housing, Community Development and Public Service projects. The CDBG Advisory Committee voted 5-0 on April 30, 2019 on CDBG and City Fund budget recommendations for social service agencies. The CDBG recommendations are incorporated into the draft Action Plan.

Subsequently, Chin Community Ministries withdrew from consideration as they decided to close their doors later this year. At their July 16, 2019 meeting, the committee re-allocated the Chin

Community Ministries funds, distributing them among all other funded agencies, The committee voted 5-0 to recommend a revised draft budget and for adoption of the attached Action Plan.

The Annual Action Plan has been developed in accordance with HUD regulations and the City's Five Year Consolidated Plan. The plan also includes elements such as rationale for geographic targeting, funding sources, and coordination with community agencies. Funds for social service agencies were allocated based on an annual open application cycle. This year's 'brick and mortar' project was proposed by the Parks and Recreation Department.

The Annual Action Plan calls for funding social services as noted in the chart below. Also recommended for funding is \$498,279 for year one of a multi-year Park Development and Accessibility project that will address parks, open space and pedestrian accessibility in the 'triangle' area between I-35, St. Hwy. 121 and Corporate Dr. This area overlays with a high density, low-income population that can be assisted with CDBG funds. The study area has over 4,000 residents of whom 71.5% are non-white/Hispanic, 24% under 16 and has a median household income of only \$35,000. Using CDBG funds for park development will begin implementation of recommendations from the Urban Land Institute study that was recently conducted using the 10-minute walk to a park standard.

Receipt of Proposed Budget for City Social Service Agency Fund

Concurrent with the consideration of proposals for CDBG funding, the CDBG Advisory Committee also scored and reviewed proposals for the City Social Service Agency Fund (City Fund). The Committee used a target budget of \$170,000 for the City Fund based on current funding. The City Fund recommendations are also presented in the attached draft budget to give Council the opportunity to review or comment although they are not part of the HUD Annual Action Plan. The Committee's recommendations from the general fund budget will be incorporated into the City's budget process.

Recommended Changes in Social Services Programming

- New Programs:
 - Denton County MHMR for the Adult and Youth Counseling program. (Last year MHMR was funded for the LOSS team, suicide counseling program).
 - Salvation Army for Emergency Financial Assistance.
- Unfunded:
 - Considered but not recommended for funding was the TruCare Clinic, a new non-profit that is planning, but has not yet opened, a health clinic in Lewisville.
 - Christian Community Action did not apply in time for consideration this year.
 - Chin Community Ministries, as noted above, will be closing.

CDBG & City Fund - Joint Budget FY 19-20

Agency/Project	Rank	CDBG	City Fund
Parks and Recreation Department – Park Development and Accessibility		498,279	-
CDBG – CATEGORY I TOTAL		498,279	-
CDBG ADMINISTRATION TOTAL		145,185	-
Public Services			
PediPlace- Pediatric Healthcare	1	37,999	22,481
Health Services of North Texas – Primary Indigent Care	2	-	22,480
SPAN- Meals Programs	3	25,480	-
Chin Community Ministry – Health Access – withdrew	4	-	-
Retired Senior Volunteer Program	5	-	10,980
Communities in Schools of N. TX- Dropout Prevention Program	5	-	31,470
Children’s Advocacy Center of Denton Co- Victims Services	7	20,470	-
Denton County Friends of the Family- Shelter	8	10,470	-
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Program	9	14,470	-
New Hope Learning Center- School Age Day Care	9	-	12,095
Journey to Dream – Homeless Youth Services	11	-	10,470
Youth & Family Counseling- Psych. Care Program	12	-	13,234
Denton County MHMR – Adult and Youth Counseling	13	-	9,220
Denton County Friends of the Family- Face to Face Services	14	-	7,220
The Salvation Army – Emergency Financial Assistance	15	-	5,470
Boys & Girls Clubs of N. Central TX- Afterschool Program	16	-	5,470
Giving Hope, Inc. – Housing Lewisville	17	-	8,470
Special Abilities of N. TX- Adult Day Care	18	-	5,470
Camp Summit- Camp Scholarships	19	-	5,470
TruCare – Medical and Dental Program	20	-	-
CDBG AND CITY FUND - CATEGORY II TOTAL		108,889	170,000
GRAND TOTAL		752,353	170,000
Available from Program Income		26,426	
Available from new 2019-2020 CDBG Grant		725,927	

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the resolution, acknowledge receipt of the City Social Service Fund budget and authorize the City Manager to submit the plan as set forth in the caption above.