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Public Forum: 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant Program Plan.

Staff: Department:

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Overview: Tonight the Council will receive public comment on a preliminary plan for use of 2019-2020 Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. This is the second of two required public forums. The Council held the first forum on November 7, 2018 https://www.townofchapelhill.org/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/15026/15?curm=11&cury=2018>

. Based on feedback received at the public forums and recommendations from the CDBG Application Review Committee, staff will recommend to Council a program plan at the April 10th meeting. Tonight we ask for the Council's feedback on the preliminary program plan.



Recommendation(s):

That the Council open the public forum to receive and provide comments on a preliminary plan to use 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant funds and refer comments and questions related to the use of funds to the Town Manager.

Key Issues:

- The preliminary plan includes an estimated allocation of \$418,344 of grant funds (based on current funding level). Final plan adjustments will reflect the actual award amount and any program income received.
- Eligible activities must:
 - > Serve households earning less than 80% of the Area Median Income (\$64,500 for a household of 4).
 - Meet one of three National Objectives of the CDBG program:
 - Benefit low/moderate income households; or

- Address an urgent need that poses a threat to health or safety in the community; or
- Prevent or eliminate slum or blight.
- A CDBG Application Review Committee included a representative from the Human Service Advisory Board, a representative from the Housing Advisory Board, and two members of Town staff (representatives from Business Management and Human Resource Development).
- The Committee met with each agency to review proposals on February 12, 2019 and developed its recommendation on February 20, 2019 during a public meeting.

Preliminary Spending Plan

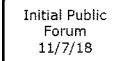
- The preliminary plan developed by the Review Committee recommends funding for:
 - Key Town projects: the Summer Youth Employment Program, code enforcement, neighborhood revitalization, and program administration.
 - Continued support for affordable housing and community development programs operated by the Community Home Trust, Habitat for Humanity and the Inter-Faith Council (IFC).
- The Committee developed the following preliminary plan for use of funds:

Public Services			
Inter-Faith Council	HomeStart Case Management	\$	28,500
Town of Chapel Hill	Summer Youth Employment Program	\$	27,000
Exchange Club's Family Center	Children's Parents Parenting	\$	2,040
Affordable Housing			
Town of Chapel Hill	Neighborhood Revitalization	\$	195,135
	Code Enforcement	\$	25,000
Community Home Trust	Homebuyer Assistance	\$	30,000
Habitat for Humanity	Home Preservation	\$	27,000
Administration	Grant Administration/HUD Compliance	<u>\$</u>	83,669
Total		\$418,344	

• Notice of tonight's forum was published in the Herald Sun, shared on the Town's website, and distributed through the Town's TownWeek electronic-news publications.

Fiscal Impact/Resources: The Town provides Community Development Block Grant funds to non-profit agencies for affordable housing and public service projects as grants. These funds would not be repaid to the Town.

Where is this item in its process?





Application Review Committee Evaluation 2/12/19 & 2/20/19



Second Public Forum Preliminary Plan 3/20/19



Council Consideration of Program Plan 4/10/19

Next Steps

- On April 10, 2019, the Council will receive a staff-recommended CDBG Program Plan.
- A Council-approved plan must be submitted to HUD by May 15, 2019 as part of the Annual Update to the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan. The Town will compile and incorporate all comments received in writing and at public forums into the Community Development Annual Plan.

Council Goals:

	Create a Place for Everyone	\ /	Develop Good Places, New Spaces
	Support Community Prosperity		Nurture Our Community
	Facilitate Getting Around	100	Grow Town and Gown Collaboration



Attachments:

- Draft Staff Presentation
- Committee Recommended 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant Program Plan
- Community Development Block Grant Eligibility

The Agenda will reflect the text below and/or the motion text will be used during the meeting.

PRESENTER: Renée Moye, Community Development Program Manager

RECOMMENDATION: That the Council open the public forum to receive comments on a preliminary plan to use 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant funds and refer comments and questions related to the use of funds to the Manager.