

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

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To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: August 19, 2019

Re: Approving a Resolution Establishing a 30-day Comment Period and Setting Public Hearings for the Consideration and Approval of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020

Annual Action Plan

Executive Summary

The City of Columbia receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funding annually from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City of Columbia is required to submit a Consolidated Plan at least every five years in order to qualify for funding. The Consolidated Plan is a comprehensive plan outlining affordable housing and community development needs and strategic implementation strategies for expenditure of CDBG and HOME funds, as well as funds allocated to the Columbia Public Housing Authority, Continuum of Care funding, the Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC) and any available local housing and community development funds.

The attached resolution is to seek Council approval to formalize a process for considering and approving the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan. Council approval of the resolution will establish a 30-day comment period from September 3, 2019 through October 2, 2019 to receive public comment, and set two public hearings to be held on September 3, 2019 to provide a summary of the Consolidated Plan and October 7, 2019 for final consideration.

Discussion

City staff began the process of laying the ground work for formation of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan in July of 2018 through the Fair Housing Task Force (FHTF). Additional public engagement forums were held in in fall of 2018 and spring of 2019 to help formulate the plan. The events held are as follows:

November 29th: Fostering Equitable and Inclusive Neighborhoods Event

January 9th: Neighborhood Congress

January 24th: Affordable Housing Public Engagement Meeting

February 13th: Economic Development-REDI Board February 26th: Homelessness Public Engagement Event

March 20th: Neighborhood Infrastructure Public Engagement Meeting

June 19th: Housing & Community Development Commission (HCDC) 2020-2024 Funding

Goals

July 19th: HCDC-Council Policy Recommendations for CDBG & HOME Funding



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Additional public input was received through a citizen survey, meetings with local neighborhood associations, non-profits and other community stakeholders. Results of the Housing Programs Division's public engagement efforts included over 200 public engagement event attendees, 185 survey responses and assistance from 12 community volunteer facilitators.

The 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan will serve as the guiding document for the City of Columbia's investments in affordable housing and community development efforts. City staff has included the Housing and Community Development Commission's recommended CDBG and HOME funding goals for 2020-2024. Each goal is tied to an estimated per unit investment amount needed to complete a unit of production and will serve as the primary guide for funding allocations from 2020-2024. A draft of the full 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan Report and 2020 Annual Action Plan will be made available to the Council and members of the public on September 3, 2019.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None.

Long-Term Impact: Approximately \$8.5 million over 5 years for Affordable Housing &

Community Development Activities.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impacts

<u>Strategic Plan Impacts:</u>

Primary Impact: Social Equity, Secondary Impact: Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Economy

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities,

Legislative History	
Date	Action
November 19, 2018	Council approval of the Citizen Participation Plan for the 2020- 2024 Consolidated Plan
January 21, 2019	Council approval of an amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan for changes to the affordable housing public engagement event, inclusion of the REDI Board and the additional of the homelessness public engagement event.

Suggested Council Action

Approve the attached resolution setting public hearings for September 3, 2019 and October 7, 2019 and establishing a 30-day comment period from September 3, 2019 through October 2, 2019.