

## **Recommendation for Council Action**

**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL** 

Regular Meeting: April 26, 2018 Item Number: 084

## **Public Hearing and Possible Action**

Conduct a public hearing and consider citizen input on community needs related to the City's Draft Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Action Plan, as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 373.

Lead Department	Neighborhood Housing and Community Development.
Fiscal Note	This item has no fiscal impact.
For More Information	Rosie Truelove, Director, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, (512) 974-3064. Erica Leak, Acting Assistant Director, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, (512) 974-9375.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action	April 10, 2018 - the Community Development Commission conducted a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Action Plan Community Needs Assessment.

## **Additional Backup Information:**

In Fiscal Year 2018-2019, the City of Austin expects to receive continued federal funding through four U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) formula grants: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS

(HOPWA). In order to receive these HUD grants, the City must submit an annual Action Plan that provides an overview of the community needs, resources, priorities, and proposed activities with regard to housing, community development, economic development and public services.

The requested action is to conduct a public hearing in accordance with the City of Austin's Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), which sets forth procedures for citizen participation in the development of each annual Action Plan. The CPP is a community developed plan - required by HUD - that is designed to encourage participation of city residents in the development of the annual Action Plan. As required by the CPP and Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 373, the steps for public participation include four total public hearings during the formation of the Action Plan: two before the Austin City Council and two before the Community Development Commission (CDC). There is also a 30-day comment period on the draft Action Plan.

The two initial public hearings are conducted to receive input on the community's needs and service gaps. The public hearing before the CDC was conducted on April 10, 2018, and the public hearing before the Austin City Council is scheduled on April 26, 2018.

The draft Action Plan will be made available for public comment on or before May 22, 2018. During the 30-day comment period, two additional public hearings will be conducted to receive input on the draft plan, one before the CDC and one before the Austin City Council. It is anticipated that the Austin City Council will take final action on the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Action Plan on August 9, 2018 prior to HUD's submission deadline of August 15, 2018.