



## Recommendation for Action

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### **Posting Language**

Approve a resolution amending the City's Fiscal Year 2019-20 Action Plan and Fiscal Year 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan, to allow the City to apply for, receive, and administer additional grant funds made available through the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) and to reprogram existing funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate with the federal government to receive CARES Act funds.

### **Lead Department**

Neighborhood Housing and Community Development.

### **Fiscal Note**

This item has no fiscal impact.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Additional Backup Information:**

The City of Austin expects to receive additional funding of approximately \$10.8 million dollars from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES Act) to be deployed through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) grant program. To be able to deploy these funds as timely as possible for relief and recovery initiatives for Austinites in need of assistance due to the impacts of the coronavirus, the City of Austin must submit amendments to add the proposed uses of these funds to the City's FY 2019-20 Action Plan and FY 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan.

The CARES Act and HUD regulatory provisions for the citizen participation process for ESG funding requires, at a minimum, the City to publish how it has used and will use its allocation. This information must be published on the internet at the appropriate government website and through electronic media.

If approved, the proposed amendment will allow the City to apply for, receive and quickly administer funding awarded as part of the CARES Act to Austinites most impacted by the economic effects of COVID-19.

### **Strategic Outcome(s):**

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.