

Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-1312, Agenda Item #: 29.

3/9/2023

Posting Language

Set a public hearing to receive citizen input on community needs concerning the City's Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Action Plan, as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Texas Local Government Code Chapter 373 for the City's application for federal funding. (Suggested date: March 23, 2023, at Austin City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701).

Lead Department

Housing and Planning Department.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

March 24, 2022 - Council conducted a public hearing to receive citizen input on community needs for the City's Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Action Plan to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as part of the City's application for federal funding.

March 3, 2022 - Council set a public hearing to receive citizen input on community needs concerning the City's Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Action Plan, as required by HUD and Texas Local Government Code Chapter 373.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The public hearing is requested to receive input on the community's needs and service gaps related to housing and public services provided by the City.

In Fiscal Year 2023-2024, the City expects to receive continued federal funding through four 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 to HUD 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 set the date for a public hearing in accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), which sets forth the City's policies and procedures for citizen participation in the development of each 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 development of the Action Plan: two before Council and two before the Community Development Commission (CDC). There is also a required 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 is anticipated to take place April 11, 2023, and the public hearing before Council is anticipated to take place March 23, 2023.

The draft Action Plan will be made available for public comment on May 2, 2023. 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 Council. It is anticipated that Council will take final action on the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Action Plan on July 20, 2023, prior to HUD's submission deadline of August 16, 2023.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.