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RESOLUTION FOR THE CDBG PROGRAM APPROVING 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Summary and Background Information:

In 2016, the City became an Entitlement Community and now directly receives funding from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). As required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the City works through its Citizen Participation Plan to determine the allocation of project funds. The final document produced with this procedure is the Annual Action Plan (AAP). The AAP serves as the City's application and plan for the following CDBG funding year.

Adoption of the CDBG 2020 Annual Action Plan

The CDBG Office met all of the requirements in the Citizen Participation Plan. The 2020 Draft AAP incorporates the input from:

| <u>Consultations</u> | | <u>Number</u> |
|--------------------------------|-----|---------------|
| Formal Presentations | | 9 |
| Meeting & Telephone Interviews | 50 | |
| Direct Citizen Contacts | 181 | |
| Event Booths | 190 | |

The CDBG Office received ten funding applications in mid-March. The application summaries are in the attachments. With the onset of COVID-19, the CDBG Office allowed the applicants to restructure and amend their application to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the pandemic. The CDBG Coordinator reviewed and prepared summaries of each application. Over the course of two meetings, the CDBG Team reviewed, scored, and recommended funding amounts for each application. The 2020 AAP Project Rank and Funding spreadsheet is in the attachments. The CARES Act allows additional flexibilities in structuring the 2020 AAP. HUD released memorandums providing administrative and operational guidance to the entitlement communities. Regulatory waivers described in the memorandums include shortened citizen notification periods, the elimination of the15% Public Service cap if the activity is related to preventing, preparing for or responding to COVID-19, additional phases of funding, and extended deadlines. With this guidance in mind, the CDBG Team recommended funding for six applications:

| Total 2020 Grant Amount | \$419,175 |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Administration (20%) | \$83,834 |

Public Services

| PD - Domestic Violence Victim Support | \$ 60,139 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Audio Information Network | \$ 25,000 |
| Senior Hub | \$ 58,000 |
| Kids in Need of Dental | \$ 42.535 |

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Remaining Project Funds

Minor Home Repair Program \$ 114,500 Paint-a-Thon \$ 35,167

Staff Responsible (Department Head): Jason Rogers, Community Development Director **Staff Member Presenting**: Cheryl Steinberg, CDBG Coordinator

Financial Impact: CDBG 2020 Annual Action Plan - an estimated \$419,175 HUD grant to the City

Funding Source: HUD's Community Development Block Grant

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends the adoption of the 2020 Annual Action Plan **Suggested Motion**: Pass the resolution to adopt and submit the 2020 Annual Action Plan.