

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**

DEPARTMENT: Community + Human Development

AGENDA DATE: March 31, 2020

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE: Nicole Ferrini, 915-212-1659; Mark Weber, 915-212-1682

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goals 8

SUBJECT:

Discussion and action on a resolution to approve an amendment to the City's 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan to remove the Audible Pedestrian Signals project that was funded at \$66,776 in Community Development Block Grant funds.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Amendment Purpose: Remove Audible Pedestrian Signals (APS) from the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan

Amendment Background:

Remove Audible Pedestrian Signals (APS). Site locations were to be selected from the following options: Montana at Trowbridge (Dist 2), Edgemere at George Dieter (Dist 5), Yarbrough at Montana (Dist 3), Sunmount at Viscount (Dist 3), North Loop at Yarbrough (Dist 7), Montana at Airway (Dist 3), Lee Trevino at Trawood (Dist 7), Saul Kleinfeld at Edgemere (Dist 5), Pebble Hills at Saul Kleinfeld (Dist 5), Gateway West at Hawkins (Dist 3) – \$66,776.

This project was funded with remaining 2018-2019 CDBG public facilities funds in hopes of installing at least one APS intersection. It has been determined that \$66,776 is significantly insufficient for installation of a single APS intersection.

A notice was published in the El Paso Times and El Diario on Sunday, February 16, 2020 to begin a 30-day public comment period to allow the public the opportunity to provide feedback regarding the proposed change to the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan. The public comment period concluded on Monday, March 16, 2020. No comments were received.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

2018-2019 Annual Action Plan was adopted by Council on July 10, 2018.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

The City received \$6,255,263 in CDBG funding for FY2019.

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

- On March 8, 2018, the CD Steering Committee reviewed and provided comment on the 2018-2019 CDBG budget recommendation for City Council adoption.
- On March 3, 2020, the CD Steering Committee was presented with the proposed amendment for comment. The Steering Committee unanimously approved a comment to support deletion of the project.

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

Mark Weber

For: Nicole Ferrini, Chief Resilience Officer

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2018, the City Council for the City of El Paso adopted the Final Action Plan for 2018-2019 for the Consolidated Plan 2015-2020, including the 44th Year (2018-2019) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, and on that date Authorized the City Manager to sign and submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan to include all certifications contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, based on the recommendation of the Director of the Community and Human Development Department, now desires to amend the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and 2018-2019 CDBG Program Budget to remove the Audible Pedestrian Signals (APS) project; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2020, the City of El Paso published in the El Paso Times and El Diario newspapers public notice and allowed a 30-day public comment period regarding the proposed amendment to the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan and 44th Year CDBG Program Budget and City Council has duly considered public comment, if any.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

1. That the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan and 44th Year CDBG Program Budget is hereby amended as follows:
 - a. To remove the following project: Audible Pedestrian Signals (APS), Citywide, site locations were to be selected from the following options: Montana at Trowbridge (Dist 2), Edgemere at George Dieter (Dist 5), Yarbrough at Montana (Dist 3), Sunmount at Viscount (Dist 3), North Loop at Yarbrough (Dist 7), Montana at Airway (Dist 3), Lee Trevino at Trawood (Dist 7), Saul Kleinfeld at Edgemere (Dist 5), Pebble Hills at Saul Kleinfeld (Dist 5), Gateway West at Hawkins (Dist 3) – \$66,776
2. That the Department of Community and Human Development be authorized to make the above changes to the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan in the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's program system.
3. That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to take any actions necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution upon approval by the City Attorney's Office and Director of Community and Human Development Department.
4. Except as herein amended, the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan and 44th Year CDBG Program Budget remain in full force and effect.

APPROVED this ___ day of _____, 2020


CITY OF EL PASO

Dee Margo,
Mayor

ATTEST:


Laura D. Prine,
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Omar A. De La Rosa
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



for Nicole Ferrini, Director
Community and Human Development

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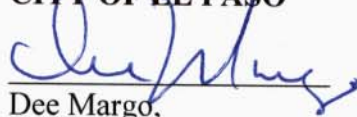
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City Council having herein conducted a public hearing in order to receive comments on program performance and on the Proposed 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan, hereby adopts a Final 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", including the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan Budgets for the Community Development Block Grant Program, Emergency Solutions Grant Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program, all attached hereto as Exhibit "B."


ADOPTED this 10th day of July, 2018

CITY OF EL PASO


Dee Margo,
Mayor

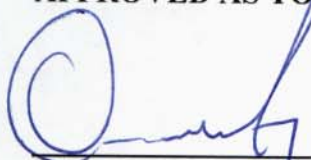


ATTEST:




Laura Prine,
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Omar De La Rosa
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Nicole Ferrini, Director
Community and Human Development

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RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to sign and submit to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan, Form SF-424 and Form SF 424 D, all certifications and assurances contained therein, and any documents necessary to comply with HUD requirements; and

That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to sign Grant Agreements with HUD for the four entitlement grants covered by the Annual Action Plan: the Community Development Block Grant, the Emergency Solutions Grant, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program; and

That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to sign all Letters of Support, Certifications of Local Government Approval, Release of Liens, Assurances and Certifications of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan required by HUD or the State of Texas for grant applications or applications for Low Income Housing Tax Credits for programs covered by the Consolidated Plan or related Community Development programs; and

That the City Manager, or designee, subject to completion of environmental review, be authorized to sign all contracts and documents with the agencies, entities, persons, or City departments approved for funding in the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan related to the implementation and performance of the activities contained in the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan and corresponding programs. The City Manager, or designee, is authorized herein to sign amendments to such contracts which add to or reduce funding, including but not limited to the de-obligation of funds by mutual termination, and extensions to the contract period; and

That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to sign all Environmental Assessments, Requests for Release of Funds, Certifications, and Performance Reports required by the U .S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for activities covered by the 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan and related Community Development programs; and

That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to sign agreements to secure matching funds which add to amounts allocated under the under the regular CDBG budget; and to sign amendments to matching fund agreements, including extensions to the contract period.

(Signatures on Following Page)

ADOPTED this 10th day of July, 2018

CITY OF EL PASO



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