

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

AGENDA DATE: March 15, 2022

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: N/A

CONTACT PERSON(S) NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Nicole Ferrini, Chief Resilience Officer, 915-212-1659

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 8 – Nurture and promote a healthy, sustainable community

SUBGOAL: Goal 8.2 – Stabilize neighborhoods through community, housing and ADA improvements

SUBJECT:

APPROVE a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? OR AUTHORIZE the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.

Discussion and action on a resolution to approve an amendment to the City's 2020-2021 (46th Year) Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Entitlement (CDBG-EN) to:

- a. Delete the Community Kitchen and Teaching Kitchen project (\$1,557,540); and
- b. Add \$1,557,540 back to available 46th Year CDBG funds.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?

The item is an amendment to the Annual Action Plan for projects submitted in 2019. The amendment proposes to reallocate funds from the one remaining project awarded prior to COVID back into CDBG funds that will be made available in a formal application process this fall. An evaluation of appropriate recovery oriented entitlement policies and procedures will be conducted in partnership with the Department of Housing and Urban Development this spring, followed by a Community Needs Assessment informed by service provider stakeholders and the community as a whole to better understand the needs of the most vulnerable El Pasoans as they stand today following 2 years of crisis response. By reintroducing these dollars into the process, we are allowing all community providers to evaluate their needs as our community moves towards recovery.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?

On July 7, 2020, the City Council adopted the 2020-2021, 46th Year Annual Action Plan.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?

N/A

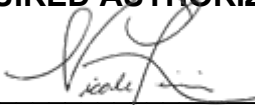
HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? YES NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: Department of Community + Human Development (DCHD)

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT: N/A

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

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(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2020, the City Council for the City of El Paso adopted the Final Action Plan for 2020-2021 and on that date Authorized the City Manager to sign and submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan to include all certifications contained therein; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2020, the City amended the Annual Action Plan to delete the CDBG Parks and Recreation Senior and Disabled Exercise Program (\$30,000) and add \$30,000 in CDBG for a Veterans Permanent Supportive Housing - Support Services and Subrecipient Administration project ("First Amendment"); and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2021, the City amended the Annual Action Plan to delete the CDBG Playa Drain Trail Improvement from Whittier Dr. to Prado Dr. (\$295,800); and add \$295,800 in CDBG for a JP Shawver Park 3-Wall Handball Court project ("Second Amendment"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council, based on the recommendation of the Director of the Community and Human Development Department, now desires to amend the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan to delete existing projects and add new projects; and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2022, the City of El Paso posted on its website public notice and allowed a 5-day public comment period regarding the proposed amendment to the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan and 46th 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 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan and 46th Year CDBG Program Budget is hereby amended as follows:
 - a. Delete the El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Bank Community Kitchen and Teaching Kitchen project (\$1,557,540);
 - b. Add \$1,557,540 in 46th Year CDBG funds for a Placeholder Project.
2. That the Department of Community and Human Development, through the Director, be authorized to make the above changes to the 2020-2021 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 in the First Amendment, Second Amendment, and this Third Amendment, the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan, 46th Year CDBG Program Budget and 46th Year ESG Program Budget remain in full force and effect.

(Signatures on the following page)

APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 20____.

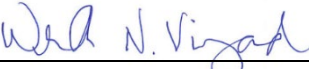
CITY OF EL PASO:

Oscar Leeser
Mayor

ATTEST:


Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Wendi N. Vineyard
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Nicole Ferrini, Director
Community and Human Development