

## **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 22508 Agenda Number 34.

Meeting Date: 3/28/2013 Department: Neighborhood and Community Development

Subject

Set a public hearing to receive citizen input on the community's needs for the development of the City's Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Action Plan and the Community Development 2013-2014 Program, as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 373. (Suggested date and time: April 11, 2013, 4:00 p.m., at Austin City Hall, 301 West Second Street, Austin, TX).

Amount and Source of Funding

## Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action:

For More Information:

Boards and Commission Action:

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

## Additional Backup Information

In fiscal year 2013-2014, the City of Austin expects to receive continued federal funding through four U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) entitlement 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 that provides an overview of the community needs, resources, priorities, and proposed activities with regards to housing, community development, and public services.

The requested action is to set the date for a public hearing in accordance with the City of Austin's Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), which sets forth the City's policies and procedures for citizen participation in the development of each annual Action Plan. As required by the CPP and Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 373, the steps for public participation includes four public hearings during the formation of the Action Plan: two before the Austin City Council and two before the Community Development Commission (CDC). There is also a 30-day

comment period on the draft Action Plan and Community Development Program.

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 scheduled on April 4, 2013 and the public hearing before the Austin City Council is scheduled on April 11, 2012.

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 the City Council. It is anticipated that the City Council will take final action on the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Action Plan and the Community Development 2013-2014 Program on August 8, 2013. The report is due to HUD on or before August 15, 2013.