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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	22851	Agenda Number	80.
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Meeting Date:	4/11/2013	Department:	Neighborhood and Community Development
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Subject

Conduct a public hearing to receive citizen input on community needs for comments on the 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.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	March 28, 2013 – The Austin City Council set a public hearing for April 11, 2013.
For More Information:	Elizabeth A. Spencer, Director, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, 974-3182
Boards and Commission Action:	April 4, 2013 – The Community Development Commission conducted public hearings on the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Action Plan and the Community Development 2013-2014 Program.
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, economic development and public services.

The requested action is to conduct 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 total 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 was held on April 4, 2013 and the public hearing before the Austin City Council is scheduled on April 11, 2013.

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 Austin City Council. It is anticipated that the Austin 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.