

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 33156 Agenda Number 142.

Meeting Date: 6/26/2014 Department: Neighborhood and Community Development

Subject

Conduct a public hearing to receive citizen comments on the City's Draft Five Year Consolidated Plan for Fiscal Years 2014-2019, Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2014-2015, and the Community Development 2014-2015 Program.

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 20, 2014 - public hearing set for March 27, 2014 on the Fiscal Years 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan, Fiscal Year 2014-15 Action Plan Community Needs Assessment and the Community Development 2014-2015 Program. March 27, 2014 - public hearing conducted. June 12, 2014 - public hearing to be set for June 26, 2014 on the Draft Fiscal Year 2014-19 Consolidated Plan, Draft Fiscal Year 2014-15 Action Plan and the Community Development 2014-2015 Program.
For More Information:	Contact Elizabeth A. Spencer, Director, 512-974-3182; or Erica Leak, Housing Policy and Planning Manager, 512-974-9375.
Boards and Commission Action:	March 31, 2014 - the Community Development Commission conducted a public hearing on the Fiscal Years 2014-19 Consolidated Plan, 2014-2015 Action Plan Community Needs Assessment and the Community Development 2014-15 Program. June 10, 2014 - the Community Development Commission will conduct a public hearing on the Draft Fiscal Years 2014-19 Consolidated Plan, Draft Fiscal Year 2014-15 Action Plan and the Community Development 2014-2015 Program.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

In Fiscal Years 2014-2019, 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 Shelter Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). In order to receive these HUD grants, the City must submit a five-year Consolidated Plan and an annual Action Plan that provides 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 public hearings: two before the Austin City Council and two before the Community Development Commission (CDC). A 30-day public comment period is required on the draft Action Plan and the Community Development Program.

The two initial public hearings were conducted to receive citizen input on the community's needs and service gaps. The first public hearing before the CDC was held on March 31, 2014 and the first public hearing before the Austin City Council was held on March 27, 2014. Neighborhood Housing and Community Development (NHCD) promoted the public hearings through various outreach efforts including direct outreach to the community, local service providers, and government agencies.

The draft Consolidated Plan, Action Plan and Community Development Program will be made available for public comment on June 6, 2014. During the 30-day public comment period, two public hearings will be conducted, 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 Years 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan, Fiscal Year 2014-15 Action Plan and Community Development Program on August 7, 2014. The Fiscal Years 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan, Fiscal Year 2014-15 Action Plan and Community Development 2014-2015 Program is due to HUD on or before August 15, 2014.