

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council	Item ID	69252	Agenda Number	50.
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Meeting Date:	4/20/2017	Department:	Neighborhood and Community Development
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**Subject**

Conduct a public hearing and consider citizen input on community needs concerning the City's Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Action Plan and Community Development Program, as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 373.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Rosie Truelove, Interim Director, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, (512) 974-3064.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	April 11, 2017 - the Community Development Commission conducted a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Action Plan Community Needs Assessment.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

**Additional Backup Information**

In Fiscal Year 2017-2018, the City of Austin expects to receive continued federal funding through four U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) formula 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 regard 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 procedures for citizen participation in the development of each annual Action Plan. The CPP is a community developed plan – required by HUD and Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 373 (Chapter 373) – that is designed to encourage participation of city residents in the development of the annual Action Plan and the state Community Development Program. As required by the CPP and Chapter 373, the steps for public participation include 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 a public hearing requirement for the 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 conducted on April 11, 2017. This item is the public hearing before the Austin City Council.

The draft Action Plan and Community Development Program will be made available for public comment on or before May 23, 2017. 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 2017-2018 Action Plan and Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Community Development Program on August 3, 2017 prior to HUD's submission deadline of August 15, 2017.