

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council	Item ID	70245	Agenda Number	49.
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Meeting Date:	5/18/2017	Department:	Neighborhood and Community Development
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**Subject**

Set a public hearing to receive citizen input on community needs concerning the City's draft Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Action Plan and Community Development Program, as required by the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 373. (Suggested date and time: June 15, 2017, 4:00 p.m., at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX).

**Amount and Source of Funding**

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	April 6, 2017 - set a public hearing for April 20, 2017; April 20, 2017 - public hearing conducted on the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Action Plan Community Needs Assessment and the Community Development 2017-2018 Program.
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 and the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Community Development Program.  June 13, 2017 - the Community Development Commission is scheduled to conduct a public hearing to receive citizen comments on the City's Draft Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Action Plan and the Community Development 2017-2018 Program.
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. 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 – that is designed to encourage participation of city residents in the development of the annual Action Plan. As required by the CPP and Texas Local Government Code, 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.

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 11, 2017 and the public hearing before the Austin City Council was conducted on April 20, 2017.

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 and program, 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 16, 2017.

Additionally, at this time Congress has not completed the appropriations process for FY 2017-18. Per guidance from HUD, the FY 2017-18 Draft Action Plan is written with allocations from the FY 2016-17 Action Plan. Once FY 2017-18 funding allocations are released by HUD, the City's FY 2017-18 Action Plan will be updated to reflect those appropriations. All proposed activities' budgets will be proportionally increased or decreased from the estimated funding levels to match actual allocation amounts.