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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	72823	Agenda Number	19.
Meeting Date:	8/3/2017	Department:	Neighborhood Housing and Community Development	
Subject				
<p>Approve a resolution adopting the City's Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Action Plan related to the allocation of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant funds and the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Community Development Program; authorizing the City Manager to submit grant applications and certifications related to the HUD grant funds; and authorizing the City Manager to execute documents necessary to carry out the above purposes.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Fiscal Note				
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. 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 2017-2018 Community Development Program; May 18, 2017 - set a public hearing for June 15, 2017; June 15, 2017 - public hearing conducted on the DRAFT Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Action Plan and the 2017-2018 Community Development Program.			
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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 2017-2018 Community Development Program; June 13, 2017 - the Community Development Commission conducted 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; July 11, 2017 - The Community Development Commission voted to recommend approval of the Draft Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Action Plan with edits outlined in the change log. The change log is featured in the appendices of the document.			
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				

If approved, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development will submit a one-year City Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on behalf of the City of Austin. The Action Plan serves as the City's application to receive HUD formula grants for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

In Fiscal Year 2017-2018, the City expects to receive continued federal funding through four 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 in accordance with the City'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 and Community Development Program. 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 and Program: 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 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 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 was made available for public comment on May 23, 2017. During the 30-day comment period, two additional public hearings were conducted to receive input on the draft plan and Program, one before the CDC and one before the Austin City Council. The Action Plan is due to HUD on or before August 16, 2017.