

**Recommendation for Council Action** 

## AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL Regular Meeting: August 9, 2018

Item Number: 027

## Neighborhood Housing and Community Development

Approve a resolution adopting the City's Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Action Plan related to the allocation of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant funds; 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 these purposes.

Lead Department	Neighborhood Housing and Community Development.
Fiscal Note	This item has no fiscal impact.
Prior Council Action	<ul> <li>Community Needs Assessment <ul> <li>April 12, 2018 - set a public hearing for April 26, 2018;</li> <li>April 26, 2018 - public hearing conducted on the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Draft Action Plan.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Draft Action Plan <ul> <li>May 24, 2018 - set a public hearing for June 14, 2018;</li> <li>June 14, 2018 - public hearing conducted on the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Draft Action Plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action	Community Needs Assessment • April 10, 2018 - the Community Development Commission conducted a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Draft Action Plan Community Needs Assessment.

<ul> <li>Draft Action Plan and Recommended Approval</li> <li>July 10, 2018 - the Community Development Commission conducted a public hearing to receive citizen comments on the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Draft Action Plan.</li> <li>July 10, 2018 - The Community Development Commission voted to recommend approval of the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Draft Action Plan with edits outlined in the change log. The change log is featured in the appendices of the document.</li> </ul>
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## **Additional Backup Information:**

If approved, the City Manager or his designee will submit a one-year Action Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on behalf of the City of Austin (City). The Action Plan serves as the City's application to receive HUD formula grants for Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

In Fiscal Year 2018-2019, the City of Austin 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.

Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department (NHCD) prepared the draft Action Plan in accordance with the City of Austin's Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), which establishes the City's policies and procedures for citizen participation in the development of each annual Action Plan. The CPP and Chapter 373 of Texas Local Government Code require the City to provide public participation opportunities. These opportunities include four 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); and a 30-day comment period on the draft Action Plan.

Before the draft Action Plan was made available, two public hearings were conducted to receive input on the community's needs and service gaps. One public hearing was conducted by the CDC on April 10, 2018 and a second public hearing was conducted by the City Council on April 26, 2018.

The draft Action Plan was made available for public comment on May 22, 2018, which allows for a 45-day comment period. During this comment period, two additional public hearings were conducted to receive input on the draft plan, one was conducted by the City Council on June 14, 2018, and another was conducted by the CDC on July 10, 2018. The Action Plan is due to HUD on or before August 16, 2018.

A copy of the draft Action Plan can be found at <<u>http://austintexas.gov/page/reports-publications></u>.