

Public Hearing CITY OF AUSTIN RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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SUBJECT: Conduct a public hearing on community needs in order to develop the following documents: (1) the Five-Year Consolidated Plan for 2005-2009, which is the document submitted by the City to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that serves as the planning document of the City and an application for federal funding; (2) the 2004-2005 Action Plan, which is a description of the activities the City will undertake during the year to address priority community-development needs, and (3) the 2004-2005 Community Development Program, which addresses the City's efforts to improve the living and economic conditions of persons of low- and moderate-income, benefit low- or moderate-income neighborhoods, aid in the prevention or elimination of slums and blighted areas, aid federally assisted new communities, and meet other community development needs. The public hearing is required by HUD and by Chapter 373 of the Texas Local Government Code, and is in accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Neighborhood Housing DIRECTOR'S

DEPARTMENT: and Community **AUTHORIZATION:** Paul Hilgers

Development

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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: Citizen Participation Plan recommended by the Community Development Commission.

PURCHASING: N/A

MBE / WBE: N/A

Every five years, the City of Austin Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office (NHCD) conducts a needs assessment to determine housing and community development priorities in the community to be included in the five-year Consolidated Plan. This assessment includes:

- Community Needs survey
- Five Public Hearings
- Housing Market Study
- Impediments to Fair Housing Report
- Consultations with social service, non-profits, for-profits, and government entities

The annual Action Plan (that is approved by the Austin City Council and the U.S. Department of Housing and

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Urban Development) outlines activities and programs that will fund the priorities identified in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. There are two public hearings on the Draft Consolidated Plan and the Draft Action Plan. NHCD may request proposals for the different activities and programs approved in the Action Plan.

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