Thursday, May 4, 2006

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RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Subject: Set a public hearing to receive citizen comments on community needs in order to develop the City's (1) Annual Action plan for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, related to allocation of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development grant funds, and (2) Community Development Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Program required by Texas Local Government Code Chapter 373, including proposed funding allocations. (Suggested date and time: May 25, 2006 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 301 West Second Street.)

Amount and Source of Funding:

Fiscal Note:

Additional Backup Material

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For More Information: Paul Hilgers, Director, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development, 974-3108.

Prior Council Action: Public hearing on needs assessment March 23, 2006

Boards and Commission Action: Public hearing on needs assessment March 29, 2006.

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