COUNCIL COMMUNICATION							
CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	22-124	Meeting:	March 21, 2022			
	Agenda Item:	67	Roll Call:	22-466			
	Submitted by:	Chris Johansen, Neighborhood Services Department Director					

AGENDA HEADING:

Public hearing for approval of the 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for submission to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

SYNOPSIS:

As a condition of receiving federal entitlement funds, such as Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), the City must annually report how those funds were used via the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). HUD also requires the City to publish and allow the public to comment on the activities and programs funded. After the public hearing, the CAPER will be submitted to HUD for final review and approval. All accomplishments or results are for the timeframe January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: CDBG: \$3,888,182

HOME: \$914,423 ESG: \$321,417

<u>Funding Source</u>: HUD provided funding through the entitlement CDBG, HOME, and ESG for program year 2021.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- As a result of the influx of federal funds authorized under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), the City of Des Moines' Consolidated Plan program year 2021 was slow for regular activities funded by the entitlement CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. The City did not meet most of its 2021 goals and is not on target to meet its 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan goals due to the temporary shift in priorities.
- The City did meet its goal of 12 new homeowner housing units constructed and therefore 12 homebuyers receiving direct financial assistance. HOME funds were used to accomplish these goals. Of those units, 11 were constructed by Habitat for Humanity. There was one (1) house underwritten and sold by HOME Inc.

- The coronavirus pandemic and response activities funded by the CARES Act took priority in 2021. In 2021, more than 5,000 individuals or children were served with some form of assistance from the CARES Act. More than 30,000 residents, (over 10% of the Des Moines population), received some form of assistance under the CARES Act funds allocated to the City of Des Moines since it began in 2020.
- See below for results of regular program funds and COVID-response funds as of 12/31/2021.

2021 Annual Action Plan Goals with Entitlement Funds					
Indicator		2021 Actual			
Affordable Housing					
New Rental Units Constructed	5	0			
New Homeowner Housing Units Constructed	12	12			
Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers	12	12			
Homeowner Housing Units Rehabilitated	20	0			
Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care	5,000	2,013			
Homelessness Strategy					
Households Assisted w/ Rapid Rehousing	100	26			
Homeless Persons Assisted with Overnight Shelter	1,000	2,291			
Public Services					
Persons Assisted with Public Service Activities		30,721			

2021 COVID Response				
Indicator	2021 Goal	2021 Actual		
Public Services				
Low/Moderate Income Households who Received CDBG-CV Emergency Housing Assistance (IMPACT)	200	557		
Persons Assisted by the Emergency Food Distribution Program	7,800	0		
Children provided with childcare	N/A	289		
Children provided with mental health services – school based prevention	N/A	45		
Homelessness Strategy				
Households Assisted w/ Rapid Rehousing	150	155		
Homeless Persons Assisted with Overnight Shelter	200	2,711		
Persons Assisted with Homelessness Prev. Assistance (HOME, Inc.)	150	1,263		

• Several COVID-response programs are still underway, including those under the homelessness strategy, rent or mortgage assistance for low- or moderate-income households, and public services involving mental health and childcare.

- Central Iowa Shelter & Services (CISS) completed the construction of its addition in 2021. Five (5) of the 24 units are funded by HOME. However, the units will be counted in the 2022 CAPER because the project was not fully leased and occupied by the end of the 2021 calendar year.
- CDBG funding for foundation stabilization and other site improvements at Casa Vista Apartments, which contains five (5) owner-occupied units, was approved in 2021. The work is set to start in spring of 2022.
- City staff are also reevaluating how the Emergency Repair Program will work with the new Improving Our Neighborhood (ION) program.
- City staff are currently working with DMARC to evaluate the operational capacity necessary to execute the required federal funding requirements. The goal was to execute an agreement and assist 7,800 people with food assistance in 2021, but the number of persons assisted will be counted in 2022 if DMARC and the City are able to move forward with their contract.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 21, 2022

Roll Call Number: 22-0239

Action: On the 2021 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), (3-21-22). Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Boesen, Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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