



Roll Call Number

21-0507

Agenda Item Number

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Date March 22, 2021

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR APPROVAL OF THE THIRD  
AMENDMENT TO THE 2019 ACTION PLAN FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING  
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) 2015-2019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN TO PREPARE,  
PREVENT, AND RESPOND TO CORONAVIRUS AND AUTHORIZATION OF  
SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, on March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) was signed into Public Law 116-136, which provides additional Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) funding to prepare, prevent, and respond to coronavirus; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 2, 2020, HUD allocated the City of Des Moines \$2,231,212 in CDBG-CV and \$1,108,334 in ESG-CV funds for activities to respond to the public health crisis, and on May 4, 2020 by Roll Call No. 20-0792, Council approved said activities to be submitted as the first amendment to the City's 2019 Action Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 11, 2020, HUD announced the availability of a second round of \$1 billion in CDBG-CV funds for states and allocated \$9,529,120 in CDBG-CV 2 funds to the State of Iowa to be administered by Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA); and

**WHEREAS**, IEDA allocated \$2,067,124 CDBG-CV 2 funds to the City of Des Moines, and on September 14, 2020 by Roll Call No. 20-1511, Council approved said activities to be submitted as an application to IEDA to be included in the State of Iowa's Annual Action Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 9, 2020, HUD awarded a second ESG-CV allocation to the City of Des Moines in the amount of \$2,081,414 for activities to respond to the public health crisis, and on November 23, 2020 by Roll Call No. 20-1977, Council approved said activities to be submitted as the second amendment to the City's 2019 Action Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2020, HUD awarded a third round of CDBG-CV funds to the City of Des Moines in the amount of \$1,241,887 for activities to respond to the public health crisis, which will be submitted as the third amendment to the City's 2019 Action Plan after a public comment period and public hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, the cumulative amount of funding allocated under the CARES Act is \$3,473,099 in CDBG-CV funds directly from HUD; \$2,067,124 in CDBG-CV funds from Iowa Economic Development Authority, and \$3,189,748 in ESG-CV funds, or \$7,736,461 total; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 91 Subpart B, an entitlement jurisdiction receiving federal funding, such as the City of Des Moines, must follow its citizen participation procedures and provide citizens with a reasonable opportunity to comment on federally funded activities; and

**WHEREAS**, HUD has issued several regulatory waivers and suspensions for federally funded programs, including Consolidated Plan and citizen participation requirements in 24 CFR 91, in conjunction with the CARES Act; and



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**WHEREAS**, on April 13, 2020, HUD acknowledged the City of Des Moines' intent to waive 1.) the citizen participation 30-day public comment period for Consolidated Plan amendments to no less than five days and 2.) citizen participation reasonable notice and opportunity to comment in the city's citizen participation plan; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary, by public hearing following notice, to obtain the views of citizens regarding community development and housing needs and to provide a forum for citizen comment on the City's proposed activities for CDBG-CV funds outlined in the third amendment to the 2019 Action Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 8, 2021, by Roll Call No. 21-0378, the City Council set a public hearing for March 22, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. to obtain citizen comments regarding the third amendment to the 2019 Action Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, due notice of the public hearing was published in the Des Moines Register on March 13, 2021, and copies of the proposed activities were made available for public review on the City of Des Moines' web site, dsm.city; and

**WHEREAS**, the public hearing on this date has been opened and those seeking to comment on the activities in the third amendment to the 2019 Action Plan, which outlines CDBG-CV activities, have been afforded the opportunity to do so; and

**WHEREAS**, HUD will forward the Grant Agreements for the third round of CDBG-CV funds to prepare, prevent, and respond to coronavirus once the amendment has been approved.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that:

1. All public comments regarding the activities in the amendment to the 2019 Action Plan have been received and the hearing is hereby closed.
2. The aforementioned proposed activities, including awards to mental health and childcare subrecipients, of the 2019 Action Plan, on file with the City Clerk and by this reference made a part hereof, is hereby approved.
3. The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to submit the third amendment to the 2019 Action Plan, including required SF-424 forms and certifications, to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
4. The City Council authorizes and directs the City Manager to approve and execute the detailed work program and written agreements with the subrecipients listed on the attached Council Communication, and to approve and execute necessary amendments to the work programs and written agreements that do not involve any substantive change in location, level of service, time period, budget or project purpose.
5. The City Council authorizes and directs Neighborhood Services staff to increase Blank Children's Hospital's award amount by \$26,018 in the CDBG-CV 2 funding agreement and move the Grubb YMCA's CDBG-CV 2 award of \$33,101 into the CDBG-CV 3 allocation to streamline grant management.



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(Council Communication No. 21-140 )

MOVED BY Gatto TO ADOPT.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Judy K. Parks-Kruse
Judy K. Parks-Kruse, Assistant City Attorney

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CERTIFICATE

I, P. Kay Cmelik, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

J. M. Franklin Cownie Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik

City Clerk