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	<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	<b>28</b>
	<b>Roll Call No.</b>	<b><u>11-1206</u></b>
	<b>Communication No.</b>	<b><u>11-452</u></b>
	<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Phillip Delafield, Community Development Director</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving the Schedule and Notices of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the 2011 and 2012 U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program Funds for the City's 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Approval of the schedule and publication of the NOFAs for the City's 2011 and 2012 HUD ESG Funds. HUD requires the City's Consolidated Plan to guide the distribution of entitlement funds for the ESG programs.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: Estimated second phase of 2011 ESG Program Funds: \$73,000  
Estimated 2012 ESG Program Funds: \$260,000

Funding Source: Annual HUD allocation estimates for Program Year (PY)2011 and PY2012 for the Emergency Solutions entitlement grant program. The actual award amounts could vary significantly from the estimates, depending on congressional action.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Due to the differences in the federal fiscal year and the City's program year for the HUD Consolidated Plan programs, the City is required to start the process for development and approval of the plan in August, before the federal budget is usually adopted. This year the budget and allocations were not approved until 10 months later, in June 2011. In the case of the ESG Funds, HUD is releasing only a partial allocation for the current program year in anticipation of the publication of the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act final regulations in late August.

The first release of 2011 funding is authorized at \$187,916 of a projected amount totaling \$261,092. This first release is in accordance with the existing ESG regulatory requirements and the goals of the City's 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan. The second release of an estimated additional \$73,000 will fall under the new program regulations of the HEARTH Act and will require the publication of a NOFA for activities that meet the new requirements. The second release of funding must be encumbered by the non-profit applicant by the end of the current program year, December 31, 2011. To expedite the required processes that will accompany the second release of 2011 ESG funds, the City is releasing the NOFA to solicit applicants for the additional funding at this time to allow staff and applicants sufficient time to prepare

appropriate work programs.

The second NOFA is for the 2012 program year ESG funds. This notice schedule is in accordance with the typical schedule of non-profit agency applications for the upcoming 2012 program year.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: November 22, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-1958

Action: [On](#) Proposed Second (2011) Year Action Plan of the 2010—2014 US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Consolidated Plan. ([Council Communication No. 10-708](#)) **Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Pass: Moore.**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):**

Board: Neighborhood Revitalization Board

Date: July 6, 2011

Action: Approve and recommend the 2011 and 2012 ESG NOFAs to City Council.

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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