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	Agenda Item No.	23
	Roll Call No.	<u>14-1467</u>
	Communication No.	<u>14-467</u>
	Submitted by:	Phillip Delafield, Community Development Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Set Public Hearing for the Proposed 2015-2019 Five (5) Year Des Moines Strategic Plan and 2015 Action Plan for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Consolidation Plan.

SYNOPSIS:

This action sets the date of a public hearing on the 2015-2019 Five (5) Year Des Moines Strategic Plan and the 2015 Action Plan for HUD Consolidated Plan for November 3, 2014 and directs the City Clerk to publish notice of the public hearing and Consolidated Plan summary.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$4,181,723 estimated allocation for 2015

Funding Source: The announcement of the 2015 Program Year HUD entitlement funds will be delayed due to a congressional Continuing Resolution on federal fiscal appropriations for 2015. Estimated funding is based on 2014 allocated amounts, less a 7.3% projected reduction in 2015 funds for a scheduled sequestration. The estimated amount is not a guarantee of anticipated funding. Budget requests to HUD offices will not be submitted until authorized by HUD.

- Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG): \$3,202,036
- HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME): \$714,853
- Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG): \$264,834

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The proposed 2015-2019 Strategic Plan and 2015 Action Plan for HUD as recommended by the Neighborhood Revitalization Board (NRB) will be available to the public for comment for no less than a 31 day period from on or about September 29, 2014 to October 28, 2014. A hearing will be held on November 3, 2014 to receive the City Manager’s comments and recommendations and any comments from the public before finalizing the Consolidated Plan for submission to HUD by November 17, 2014 or as authorized by HUD.

The Five (5) year Strategic Plan identifies critical needs for affordable housing, economic development and a suitable living environment for families or areas that are at or below 80 percent of the HUD area median income guidelines.

The City of Des Moines provides targeted programming of federal entitlement funding (CDBG, HOME and ESG) through the City's Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP). The NRP is entering its 25th year of operation with the 2015 program year. Since its inception, 22 neighborhoods have completed the action planning process. Of those 22 neighborhoods, 16 have successfully completed the process by accomplishing most of the activities in their action plans.

The neighborhood planning process relies on active resident groups to identify critical neighborhood issues in their area. Neighborhood Development Division staff provide technical assistance and planning coordination to develop appropriate goals and a feasible action plan. Action plans provide a list of activities and identify parties responsible for implementation efforts. Success of the neighborhood action plan depends on a continued coordination of efforts between the neighborhood organization, the City, the County, and private and/or non-profit organizations.

The priorities of Affordable Housing, Economic and Community Development for the benefit of low to moderate-income households and areas through the NRP, have not changed significantly from the current 2010 – 2014 Consolidated Plan priorities. The NRP staff now work with several local non-profit, for-profit, and foundation entities to further the implementation phase of completed Neighborhood Plans. Projects with an accompanying timeline for the 2015-2019 Strategic Plan, plus plans for a general public presentation at the main library downtown on July 22, 2014 were presented to the Neighborhood Revitalization Board (NRB) at their July 2nd regular meeting. Comments were accepted for inclusion and response at the public meeting.

Congress has not passed a timely budget for federal programs since 2009, therefore entitlement communities, such as Des Moines, are sometimes in the position of starting a local program year without knowing their approved budget. Additionally, the ruling for sequestration continues to reduce final budgeted amounts by about seven (7) percent each year. The budget presented for the 2015 program year for CDBG, HOME and ESG funds is based on a percentage of the City's final allocation for 2014. Budgeted amounts between the various 2015 Project dollar amounts may be guided by percentages of the project within the total budget. Final project dollar amounts will be brought to City Council once the City receives authorization from HUD.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: June 22, 2009

Roll Call Number: [09-1084](#).

Action: [Goals](#) for the 2010-2014 US Housing and Urban Development Consolidated Plan for Federal Entitlement Funds and notices of funding availability for the 2010-2011 program years. ([Council Communication No. 09-436](#)) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: September 28, 2009

Roll Call Number: [09-1748](#)

Action: [On](#) proposed First (2010) Year Action Plan of the 2010-2014 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Consolidated Plan, (11-9-09). ([Council Communication No. 09-671](#)) Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Neighborhood Revitalization Board

Date: July 2, 2014

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Johansen gave a presentation on the Neighborhood Development Strategic Plan. Motion to recommend Strategic Plan to City Council: Minahan; seconded by Owens. Motion carried (9-0).

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Set public hearing date of November 3, 2014 City Council agenda for the 2015-2019 Strategic Plan and 2015 Action Plan for the Des Moines HUD Consolidated Plan.

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