

Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Title

A Resolution Approving The Program Year 2019 CDCAC Funding Recommendations And Releasing The Draft Program Year 2019 Action Plan For Required 30-Day Public Comment Period

Overview

The Village Board is being asked to approve the annual Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee ("CDCAC") recommended Program Year ("PY") 2019 Action Plan, which includes proposed Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") and Emergency Solutions Grant ("ESG") activities for 16 local non-profit agencies. Citizen participation requirements mandate a required 30-day public comment period for the draft Program Year 2019 Action Plan.

Recommendation

Approve the resolution.

Staff Recommendation

Approve the resolution authorizing the CDCAC's Program Year 2019 funding recommendations for local nonprofit agencies and release the draft Program Year 2019 Action Plan for the required 30-day public comment period

Fiscal Impact

In April, 2019, HUD informed Oak Park that the Village is entitled to \$1,633,190 for CDBG and \$143,061 for ESG for Program Year 2019, which begins October 1, 2019. Under federal regulations, the Village is able to set aside up to 15% of the total CDBG allocation (\$244,978) for CDBG Public Services funds and up to 20% for Administration (\$326,638), with no cap for Public Facilities and Improvements. The Village is setting aside the full 15% for CDBG Public Services, the full 20% for CDBG Administration, and the full 7.5% (\$10,729) for ESG Administration in Program Year 2019. In addition to recommending funding for 15 local, non-profit CDBG Public Services proposals, the CDCAC is recommending funding for two CDBG Public Facilities and Improvements proposals and five ESG proposals. These commitments will not impact funds already committed to Village public infrastructure improvements, housing programs, and other Village CDBG-funded projects.

It is worthwhile to note that, because the PY 2019 CDBG allocation was lower than the PY 2018 CDBG allocation, to avoid some cuts, the Village will be adding \$34,330 in prior year, returned funds for a total PY

2019 CDBG amount of \$1,667,520.

Background

Every year, the Village must submit an Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") in order to receive Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") and Emergency Solutions Grant ("ESG") funding. Before the Action Plan is submitted, a draft Action Plan must be approved by the Village Board and released for a required 30-day public comment period. The final Action Plan will be considered by the Village Board on August 5, 2019, with intended submittal to HUD by August 15, 2019.

For Program Year ("PY") 2019 the Village will receive \$1,633,190 in CDBG funding and \$143,061 in ESG funding. In March and April, the CDCAC reviewed PY 2019 applications from 16 non-profit agencies and heard applicant presentations, and is now recommending specific funding allocations to the Village Board for all 16 agencies. These proposed grants are now listed in the attached draft PY 2019 Action Plan (see pages 9 and 10), as are the CDBG and ESG projects to be implemented by the Village.

Alternatives

N/A

Previous Board Action

N/A

Citizen Advisory Commission Action

In March and April of 2019, the CDCAC reviewed applications, heard CDBG and ESG application presentations and made recommendations for PY 2019 funding. The Board is now being asked to approve these annual CDCAC funding recommendations.

Anticipated Future Actions/Commitments

Immediately after the Board approves the Resolution approving the CDCAC funding recommendations and releasing the draft PY 2019 Action Plan for the required 30-day public comment period, the Village will advertise the availability of the draft plan. This 30-day period will allow the public to review the draft plan and provide comments. The final PY 2019 Action Plan will be considered by the Village Board at the August 5, 2019 Board meeting, with intended submittal to HUD by August 15, 2019

Intergovernmental Cooperation Opportunities

As a member of the Cook County HOME program consortium, the Village is submitting the PY 2019 Action Plan to HUD in partnership with Cook County.