RESOLUTION NO. 2020-23-CC

CITY OF SOUTH GATE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA


WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") requires all jurisdictions that receive federal entitlement funds to prepare an Annual Action Plan that identifies the projects to be funded with Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") and HOME Investment Partnerships ("HOME");

WHEREAS, the City of South Gate ("City") prepared and adopted a Five-Year Consolidated Plan for the City covering the period July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plan is to identify housing and community development needs and to develop specific goals and objectives to address those needs over a five-year period and is a requirement of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that the City must meet in order for the City to continue to receive federal housing and community development funds;

WHEREAS, on May 28, 2019, the City Council approved the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan for expenditure of the entitlement grants from HUD, including the CDBG program. The approved Annual Action Plan was subsequently submitted to HUD in May, 2019 and approved on September 5, 2019;

WHEREAS, HUD enabled additional CDBG economic support known as the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), allowing grantees to reprogram existing or future CDBG funds as part of long-term social welfare and economic development recovery efforts;

WHEREAS, the objectives of the supplemental CDBG funding is to enable activities that prevent, prepare for, and respond to the economic effects of the ongoing Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") pandemic ("CDBG-CV");

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2020, the City Council appropriated $874,841 in CDBG-CV funds and programmed $633,668 out of the $874,841 funds for urgent COVID-19 related activities leaving a balance of $241,173 of un-programmed CDBG-CV funds;
WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan needs to be amended in accordance with HUD regulations through a Substantial Amendment, to indicate the increase allocated to a category of funding, and to reflect the changing needs of the community;

WHEREAS, the CARES Act adds additional flexibility to reduce the required public comment period from 30 days to not less than five (5) days. Grantees may use virtual public hearings when necessary for public health reasons and the public services cap is suspended during the emergency;

WHEREAS, the City Council authorizes an amendment to the Citizens Participation Plan to include the HUD’s Waivers under the CARES Act to plan and allocate CDBG and HOME funding to respond to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, City staff published a public hearing notice announcing the proposed amendments to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019/20 CDBG allocations in the May 30, 2020 edition of the Long Beach Press Telegram newspaper which five (5) day public review and comment period ends on June 9, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the proposed changes to the FY 2019/20 Annual Action Plan for the CDBG Program proposes to allocate $241,173 of the $874,841 CDBG-CV towards a Legal Advocacy Program with Bet Tzedek ($80,000.00) for small businesses and residential tenants, and a Homeless Prevention and Counseling Services Program with Helpline Youth Counseling, Inc., ($80,000.00).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council does hereby declare that the above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. The City Council does hereby adopt Substantial Amendment No. 2 to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan as follows by allocating $80,000.00 for the Legal Advocacy Program with Bet Tzedek for small businesses and residential tenants, and $80,000.00 for the Homeless Prevention and Counseling Services Program with Helpline Youth Counseling, Inc.

SECTION 3. The City Manager and/or his designee is hereby authorized to make all conforming modifications and edits, and to execute all implementing documents required by HUD to receive and reallocate funding identified under the approved Substantial Amendment No. 2 to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan.

[Remainder of page left blank intentionally.]
SECTION 4. The City Council does hereby adopt an amendment to the Citizens Participation Plan to include the HUD's Waivers under the CARES Act to plan and allocate CDBG and HOME funding to respond to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

SECTION 5. The City Manager and/or his designee is hereby directed to file a copy of said Substantial Amendment to HUD.

SECTION 6. City Staff is hereby directed to return with Subrecipient Agreements with Bet Tzedek for the Legal Advocacy Program for small businesses and residential tenants, and with Helpline Youth Counseling, Inc., for the Homeless Prevention and Counseling Services Program, at a future City Council Meeting for formal City Council approval.

SECTION 7. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution which shall be effective upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED on this 9th day of June 2020.

CITY OF SOUTH GATE:

By: Maria Davila, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

CITY OF SOUTH GATE

I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk of the City of South Gate, California, hereby certify that the whole number of Members of the City Council of said City is five; that Resolution No. 2020-23-CC was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on June 9, 2020, by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Davila, Avalos, Diaz, Rios and Hurtado

Noes: Council Members: None

Absent: Council Members: None

Abstain: Council Members: None

Witness my hand and the seal of said City on June 11, 2020.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
City of South Gate, California