



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: OCTOBER 20, 2015

FROM: COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT WARD: 5

SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE 2015-2016 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO ALLOCATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDING FOR THE STOTTS STREET SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS FROM GARFIELD STREET TO MAGNOLIA AVENUE – \$64,900 FUNDS TRANSFER

ISSUE:

The issue for City Council consideration is approval of an amendment to the City's 2015-2016 HUD Annual Action Plan to allocate CDBG funds in the amount of \$64,900 from CDBG Un-programmed Funds for the Stotts Street Sidewalk Improvements from Garfield Street to Magnolia Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Authorize an amendment to the 2015-2016 HUD Annual Action Plan to allocate \$64,900 in CDBG funds for the Stotts Street Sidewalk Improvements from Garfield Street to Magnolia Avenue;
2. Authorize a funds transfer of CDBG funds in the amount of \$64,900 from Un-programmed Funds, Account No. 2835100-453001 to the Stotts Street Sidewalk Improvements, Account No. 9258700-440120;
3. Authorize the City Attorney's Office to prepare the CDBG Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Public Works Department for the allocated amount;
4. Authorize the Finance Director/Treasurer to appropriate the funds to General Fund (101) project accounts to be assigned by the Finance Director and to be offset by an equal appropriation to object 895220 charging the project expenditures to the CDBG Fund (220); and
5. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the MOU, including making minor, non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to implement this action.

BACKGROUND:

The proposed Stotts Street Sidewalk Improvement Project entails the construction of concrete sidewalk on the westerly side of Stotts Street to extend the existing sidewalk which currently terminates approximately midblock from Magnolia Avenue to provide complete pedestrian access to Garfield Street. The project will provide new sidewalk adjacent to the back of the existing concrete curb where no sidewalk currently exists and reconstruct the existing driveways as necessary to provide an ADA compliant passageway across the driveways. Adequate public right of way is available to complete the project; however, temporary access may be required to construct match-up improvements to reconstruct the driveways. It is anticipated no relocation of existing facilities will be required. The total project cost is approximately \$64,900.

A public notice was issued announcing the proposed amendment to the HUD Annual Action Plan and a 30-day public comment period was provided in compliance with HUD regulations. The notice was published in the Press Enterprise on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 and included the date this action would be considered by the City Council. The proposed project is eligible under the HUD CDBG National Objective of low/moderate benefit area because it benefits residential neighborhoods, where at least 51 percent of the residents are low/moderate income persons.

The Public Works Director concurs with this report.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the City General Fund. Sufficient funds totaling \$64,900 are available in Account No. 2835100-453001 (CDBG Un-Programmed Fund).

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