



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JANUARY 24, 2017

FROM: COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT WARD: 1

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE 2016-17 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO REPROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING FOR THE ORIGINALLY FUNDED AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT STREET IMPROVEMENTS THROUGHOUT WARD 1 TO NEWLY REVISED ADA IMPROVEMENTS ALONG THE FAIRMOUNT PARK AREA ADA STREET-FUND TRANSFER \$100,000

ISSUE:

Approve an amendment to the City's 2016-17 Housing and Urban Development Annual Action Plan to reprogram Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$100,000 from the originally funded Americans with Disabilities Act Street Improvement Project: which entailed the construction of 26 new pedestrian ramps at various locations throughout Ward 1 to the newly revised Americans with Disabilities Act Street Improvement Project which entails the construction of sidewalks and pedestrian ramps along the Fairmount Park area, Locust Street, and Redwood Drive to provide improved pedestrian access to the park from nearby neighborhoods.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Approve an amendment to the 2016-17 Housing and Urban Development Annual Action Plan to reprogram \$100,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds from the originally approved Americans with Disabilities Act Street Improvements Project to construct new pedestrian ramps to the newly revised Americans with Disabilities Act Street Improvement Project to construct sidewalks and pedestrian ramps allowing for improved pedestrian access;
2. Authorize the City Attorney's Office to prepare the Community Development Block Grant Memorandum of Understanding with the Public Works Department for the allocated amount; authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Memorandum of Understanding, including making minor non-substantive changes and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to implement this action; and
3. Authorize the Finance Department to appropriate the funds to General Fund (101) project

accounts to be assigned by the Chief Financial Officer and to be offset by an equal appropriation to object 895220 charging the project expenditures to the CDBG fund (220).

BACKGROUND:

The reprogramming of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds requires an amendment to the City's Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 2016-17 Annual Action Plan. A public notice was issued announcing the proposed amendment and a 30-day public comment period was provided in compliance with HUD regulations. The notice was published in the Press Enterprise on Friday, December 23, 2016 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- and moderate- income limited clientele because it benefits disabled adults who are presumed by HUD to be Low- and moderate- income.

DISCUSSION:

The proposed amendment to the HUD Annual Action Plan will allocate \$100,000 to the newly revised Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Street Improvements which entails the construction of sidewalks and pedestrian ramps along the Fairmount Park area, Locust Street, and Redwood Drive to provide improved pedestrian access to the park from nearby neighborhoods.

The Public Works Director concurs with this report.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no impact to the General Fund. Sufficient funds totaling \$100,000 are available in the 2016-2017 CDBG ADA Street Improvements Account No. 9262600-440120.

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