

CITY OF BANNING STAFF REPORT

TO: CITY COUNCIL

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MEETING DATE: September 24, 2024

SUBJECT: Consideration of the Appointment of Two Council Members to the

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Ad-Hoc Committee for FY

2025/2026

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council appoint a committee at the September 24, 2024, meeting, consisting of two members from the City Council and the Economic Development Manager, to review and recommend FY 2025/2026 Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") program applications.

BACKGROUND:

The CDBG program is a flexible program that provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community development needs. Beginning in 1974, the CDBG program is one of the longest continuously run programs that is federally funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"). The CDBG program provides annual grants on a formula basis to 1209 general units of local government and States.

The CDBG program works to ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses. CDBG is an important tool for helping local governments tackle serious challenges facing their communities. The CDBG program has made a difference in the lives of millions of people and their communities across the Nation.

Eligible Activities:

- Economic Development
- Job Development
- Youth Services
- Senior Programs
- Health Services
- Public Safety Programs
- Neighborhood Revitalization
- Municipal Services
- Code Enforcement
- Transportation Services
- Housing Assistance/First Time Buyers

CDBG-funded projects must satisfy one of three national program objectives:

• Provide a benefit to low- and moderate-income persons,

- Prevent or eliminate slums and blight, or
- Meet other urgent community development needs due to natural disasters or other emergencies.
- **Community Centers**
- **Workforce Development Centers**
- **Child Care Centers**
- Senior Centers
- **Health Facilities**
- Sheriff/Fire Stations
- Flood and Drainage Facilities
- Water/Sewer Improvements
- Demolition
- Street Improvements/Sidewalks
- **Homeless Centers**

JUSTIFICATION:

Riverside County Housing and Workforce Solutions will make the final determination of a project's eligibility.

Below is a schedule of important dates that are necessary to ensure that the City meets Riverside County Housing and Workforce Solutions Agency's application deadline.

9/30/2024 Application Period Opens to The Public.

10/31/2024 Applications due at 4:00 PM (hard copy only)

No later than

Ad-Hoc meeting to review applications and make recommendation. 11/4/2024

11/12/2024 City Council to approve applications for submission to Riverside County

12/2/2024 Approved Applications due to Riverside County

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation or City Council action.

ALTERNATIVES:

Failure to appoint committee members in a timely manner could result in a missed deadline for submitted applications to Riverside County, which would result in the lost opportunity of approximately \$200,000 in CDBG funds.

BUDGETED?:

No

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT:

No