



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 6.4

DATE: February 9, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Brent Smith, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the execution of first amendments to the Fiscal Year 2018 and Fiscal Year 2020 HOME Investment Partnership grant agreements with Alameda County to extend the terms of the agreements.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute first amendments to the FY 2018 and FY 2020 HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) grant agreements with Alameda County to extend the terms of the agreements to the following:

1. FY 2018 HOME Grant Agreement- extend term of the agreement to June 30, 2026
2. FY 2020 HOME Grant Agreement- extend term of the agreement to December 31, 2026

DECISION TYPE

Administrative

SUMMARY

Alameda County follows federal rules requiring older HOME funds to be used first, but differences between HUD's system and the County's internal financial tracking created timing gaps for some of the City's agreements. All federal HOME funds remain available, and none have been lost, but to keep these funds accessible for local projects, the County is asking the City to execute amendments extending the terms of its FY 2018 and FY 2020 HOME agreements.

DISCUSSION

Each year, HUD provides Alameda County with HOME funds through a nine-year agreement. The County then allocates each city's share through four-year subrecipient agreements, including the City of Livermore. While local agreements are shorter, federal rules allow up to nine years to spend HOME funds, so older balances may remain eligible even after local agreements expire.

HUD requires that the oldest HOME funds be spent first. Alameda County follows this rule when drawing

funds from HUD's system, but its internal financial system tracks spending by project and agreement year. When project timelines shift, costs may be recorded later or across fiscal years, which sometimes results in local agreements showing unspent balances even though federal funds were used correctly.

During its annual reconciliation, the County confirmed that all expired HOME grants were fully spent in HUD's system and no funds have been lost. However, the County identified unspent balances in the City's FY 2018 and FY 2020 agreements due to timing differences in recording costs. These funds remain eligible and available under HUD rules.

To keep the City's HOME funds available for local projects and ensure the County's financial records match federal requirements, Alameda County is requesting the City execute amendments to extend the terms of two HOME agreements as follows:

1. FY 2018 HOME Grant Agreement- extend term of the agreement to June 30, 2026
2. FY 2020 HOME Grant Agreement- extend term of the agreement to December 31, 2026

Staff recommends the City Council authorize the execution of the first amendments to the HOME grant agreements set forth in Exhibit A and Exhibit B to the resolution. Once executed, the increased timeline will allow the County to align the federally available HOME balances in IDIS (Integrated Disbursement and Information System) with their financial records, which ensures the City will retain access to our committed, eligible funding.

FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACTS

There are no fiscal or administrative impacts associated with the execution of the first amendments to the HOME grant agreements.

COMMUNITY PILLAR

1: A Safe Community that Thrives

GOAL

8: Expand and improve access to human services

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution
2. Exhibit A - First Amendment- FY 2018 HOME Grant Agreement (C-17271)
3. Exhibit B - First Amendment- FY 2020 HOME Grant Agreement (C-20485)

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