

**SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
ALHAMBRA HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(Notice No. N2M22-63)**

The Special Meeting of the Alhambra Housing and Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee (HCDA) will be held on **Tuesday, May 17, 2022, commencing at 7:00 p.m.** via teleconference and video conference.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) ADVISORY NOTICE

Consistent with AB 361, the Housing and Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee meeting will not be physically open to the public, although the public may participate by video conference or teleconference and all Board/Commission members will participate via video conference or teleconference rather than attend in person.

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Addressing the Housing and Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee

Via Zoom or Telephone: "Raise your hand" - Members of the public may speak by using the "**Raise Hand**" function during the public comments portion, if on Zoom or telephone. Staff will unmute speakers participating via Zoom or telephone and announce your name when it is your time to speak.

Remarks are limited to 5 minutes; however, the presiding officer may either extend or reduce the maximum time to such period of time as the Chairperson may determine.

Any member of the public who needs accommodations or who needs their comments translated should email or call the Randi Stover at rstover@cityofalhambra.org or (626) 570-3256 as soon as possible, who will use their best efforts to provide reasonable accommodations to provide as much accessibility as possible while also maintaining public safety.

AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL:

Bill Vallejos, Chair
Bonita Sharma-Ngan
Marc Tousignant
Michael Soto

Mark Lee, Vice Chair
Andrea Giese
Yvette Cardenas
Lewis McCammon

2. AMENDMENTS TO THE 2019-20 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, THE 2020-2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND THE 2020-2024 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

3. Staff is seeking authorization to reallocate \$160,150.41 from the 2019-20 Program Year and \$314,374.00 from the 2020-21 Program Year from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program (combined total of \$474,524.41) for street capital improvement projects.

Recommended Action

It is recommended the Housing and Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee (HCDA) review, discuss, and submit for City Council approval Amendments to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan, 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan, and 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan to reallocate Community Development Block Grant funds in support of new capital improvement projects within eligible low- and moderate-income areas throughout the City.

4. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Discussion from the public of any item not specified on the agenda. Comments must pertain to the business of the HCDA Citizen Advisory Committee. Public comments pertaining to the HCDA Committee's business are welcome. Kindly limit all oral communications to five (5) minutes. Please complete the blue speaker card prior to the meeting and submit it to the Committee's secretary.

5. COMMENTS AND CONCERNS FROM THE COMMITTEE

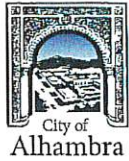
Discussion from the Committee Members of any item(s) not specified on the agenda. Items discussed must pertain to the business of the HCDA Citizen Advisory Committee.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Copies of the staff report or other written documentation relating to each item of business described herein above are on file in the office of Management Services, Alhambra City Hall, 111 S. First Street, Alhambra, CA, and are available for public inspection during regular office hours: 7:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday.

Should any person have a question concerning any of the above agenda items prior to the meeting described herein, he or she may contact Priscilla Garcia, Management Analyst either in person, at the Management Services Department located at City Hall, or call via telephone at (626) 570-5012, during regular business hours.


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**CITY OF ALHAMBRA
HCDA AGENDA REPORT**

DATE: May 17, 2022

TO: Members of the Housing and Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee (HCDA)

SUBMITTED BY: Lucy Garcia, Assistant City Manager 

SUBJECT: **AMENDMENTS TO THE 2019-20 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, THE 2020-2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND THE 2020-2024 CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM**

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Housing and Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee (HCDA) review, discuss, and submit for City Council approval Amendments to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan, 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan, and 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan to reallocate Community Development Block Grant funds in support of new capital improvement projects within eligible low- and moderate-income areas throughout the City.

BACKGROUND:

- Staff is seeking authorization to reallocate \$160,150.41 from the 2019-20 Program Year and \$314,374.00 from the 2020-21 Program Year from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program (combined total of \$474,524.41) for street capital improvement projects.
- Specifically, one project will consist of pavement reconstruction of approximately 50,000 square feet on Monterey Street, between Huntington Drive and McLean Street; repairs of approximately 900 linear feet of broken and off-grade curb and gutters; repairs of broken and off-grade driveway approaches, and updating ADA ramps on Monterey Street, Stoneman Avenue, McLean Street, and Pine Street. The City intends to use up to \$300,000.00 of unallocated CDBG funding to implement this activity.
- The remaining funds of \$174,524.41 shall be applied to similar street improvement project to be determined at a later date.
- Street improvement projects are eligible CDBG activities under Section 570.201(c) of the federal regulations (Public Facility and Improvements Activity), and they

meet the National Objective of benefiting Low- and Moderate-Income Areas 570.208(a)(1)(i) and Limited Clientele Activities 570.208(a)(2)(ii)(A).

- The reallocation of funds is necessary at this time as a result of CDBG spending requirements under 24 CFR 570.902(a), which says in part that the CDBG fund balance 60 days prior to the program year must not exceed the 1.5 times the annual grant for the current program year. If untimely, the City has 12 months to become timely.
- With new CDBG allocations expected in July 2022, it is prudent for the City consider other eligible activities, particularly capital improvement projects which can be expedited to address unmet community needs.
- The City's current activities, including Public Services, Code Enforcement and Home Improvement have been moving forward, however, the COVID-19 pandemic impacted the City's CDBP spending progress including the inability to inspect, secure contractors, etc. As a result, although such COVID factors may be considered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as "beyond the City's reasonable control," the City seeks to avoid any risk of timeliness issues.
- The reallocation of 2020-2021 CDBG funds also requires an Amendment to the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, since Community Facilities/ Infrastructure Improvements were identified as a lower priority.

ES-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

Summary of the Objectives and Outcomes Identified in the Plan Needs Assessment Overview

The following goal specific to COVID-19 will be added to the Consolidated Plan:

Goal: Provide Decent Living Environment through Neighborhood Improvements and Community Services

High Priority: Provide for Community Facilities/Infrastructure Improvements, especially ADA improvements.

NA-05 Overview

Needs Assessment Overview

The needs previously identified in Alhambra's 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan focused on housing, public services, and public facilities and infrastructure. The COVID-19 pandemic has affected the City's ability to address unmet community development needs. The pandemic has also heightened the priority of Community Facilities/Infrastructure Improvements, especially ADA improvements, as more residents are walking and relying on public spaces.

- COVID-19 has heightened the importance of public spaces. In recognition of keeping public spaces safe and accessible, capital street, sidewalk, and ADA improvements are necessary.

SP-25 Priority Needs- 91.215(a)(2)

Priority Needs Table 47 Priority Needs Summary

11	Priority Need Name	Facility and Infrastructure Improvements	
	Priority Level	High	
	Population	Income	Extremely Low Low Moderate
	Geographic Areas Affected	Low Mod Areas (LMA) throughout the City	
	Associated Goals	Provide Decent Living Environment through Neighborhood Improvements and Community Services	
	Description	Street, curb, gutter, sidewalk, and ADA improvements.	
	Basis for Relative Priority	The COVID-19 pandemic has heightened the importance of keeping public spaces safe and accessible, including the importance of removing architectural barriers that impede disabled access and installation of ADA ramps.	

- As with most Amendments under CDBG (CDBG COVID, excepted), a 30-day review period for Amendment are required. Following this HCDA Meeting, the proposed Amendments will be published in local newspapers.
- The Public Hearing with the City Council on these Amendments is planned for June 27, 2022.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS:

A total of \$474,521.44 from unallocated 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 CDBG Entitlement funds will be transferred to CDBG Capital Improvements.