

Agenda Items: ID#20-00944

Date: 8/20/2020

# FRESNO CITY COUNCIL



## Revised Document

### Item(s)

Title: Actions pertaining to the Permanent Local Housing Allocation 5-Year Plan:

1. HEARING to obtain public comments regarding Permanent Local Housing Allocation 5-Year Plan
2. \*\*\*RESOLUTION – Adopting and authorizing submission of a five-year Plan to the California Housing and Community Development Department in application for funding from the Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) for the development of affordable multifamily and single family housing, owner occupied home rehabilitation, and down payment assistance to benefit low- and moderate- income persons and authorizing the City Manager to sign all necessary implementing documents (Subject to Mayor's Veto)
3. \*\*\*RESOLUTION – 2nd amendment to the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2020-159 appropriating \$3,407,700 for affordable housing development, housing rehabilitation, and homebuyer assistance through state entitlement grant programs (Requires 5 affirmative votes) (Subject to Mayor's veto)

**Contents: Revised - Public Comments and City Responses**

#### **Revision Information:**

The document has been revised to incorporate one public comment and associated response received after the publication of the July 16, 2020 City Council agenda.

#### **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):**

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# Permanent Local Housing Allocation 5-Year Plan Public Comments and City Responses

Public Review Period Written Comments Received – July 3, 2020 – July 15, 2020

The City received 2 Public Comments between July 3, 2020 and July 15, 2020.

- **Elisabeth Robledo:** Email expressing support for investment in the community with regard to the issue of homeownership and incentives.

[City Response: The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

- **Christine Barker:** Provided a verbal comment by voice mail, identifying herself as a resident of the City of Fresno, and requested that more funds be allocated to multi-family housing and owner-occupied mobile home rehabilitation, and fewer funds be allocated to single family home development and down payment assistance, and also expressed concern that not enough households will be served by the \$3.5 million.

[City Response: The Permanent Local Housing Allocation requires that jurisdictions utilize a portion of PLHA funds for the development of Affordable Owner-Occupied Workforce Housing (AOWH). The City meets this requirement through Activity 2: Affordable Housing (Single-Family). The City previously offered a homebuyer assistance program utilizing State CalHome funding, which expired in April 2017. However, subsequent CalHome funding was granted specifically for Disaster Assistance to wildfire-affected areas. This activity is aligned with the Housing Element Program “Home Buyer Assistance.” The PLHA offers a new permanent source of funding which will allow the City to once again offer home buyer assistance programs. Upon re-evaluation of the methods for subsidizing the development of affordable single-family housing, the City has increased the goal for single family homes developed through PLHA funds from 4 to 8 per year. The public comment has been considered and accepted.]

## Exhibit 1: Email – Elisabeth Robledo

### Edward Chivevere

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**From:** Elisabeth Robledo [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 03, 2020 1:07 PM  
**To:** HCDD  
**Subject:** Re: Document Available for Public Review: Permanent Local Housing Allocation 5-Year Plan

**External Email: Use caution with links and attachments**

Thank you for your continued investment in our community with regard to the issue of homeownership and incentives.

On Fri, Jul 3, 2020 at 12:38 PM HCDD <[HCDD@fresno.gov](mailto:HCDD@fresno.gov)> wrote:

Dear Fresno Resident,

You are receiving this email because you have previously expressed interest in receiving updates related to the City of Fresno's (City) Housing and Community Development efforts. If you no longer wish to receive e-mails like this, please simply reply with the word **STOP** to be removed from future messages.

The City's Housing and Community Development Division has published the following document for public comment:

- Permanent Local Housing Allocation 5-Year Plan [https://appdev.fresno.gov/kiosk\\_clerk/admin/upload/1593801283\\_cityclerk.pdf](https://appdev.fresno.gov/kiosk_clerk/admin/upload/1593801283_cityclerk.pdf)

The Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) 5-Year Plan is available for a public review and comment beginning July 3, 2020 and ending on July 15, 2020.

Written comments are encouraged and may be submitted to the City of Fresno, Housing and Community Development Division, [2600 Fresno Street, Room 3065, Fresno, California 93721](https://www.fresno.gov/2600-Fresno-Street-Room-3065-Fresno-California-93721), or via email to [HCDD@fresno.gov](mailto:HCDD@fresno.gov). Please also consider sharing the information attached to this message with your networks, and those who may be interested in providing public comments.

[AVISO PÚBLICO: PERÍODO DE REVISIÓN PÚBLICA Y AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA PARA EL PLAN DE ASIGNACIÓN DE VIVIENDA LOCAL PERMANENTE DE 5 AÑOS](#)

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