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REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT

Actions pertaining to the Program Year (PY) 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Planning and Development (CPD) programs:

- HEARING to obtain public comments regarding the PY 2021 CAPER; and
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RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council obtain the views and comments from interested persons regarding the Draft PY 2021 CAPER, adopt the PY 2021 CAPER, and authorize submission to HUD.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The CAPER serves to meet the performance reporting requirements of HUD as set forth in the Consolidated Plan Regulations. On August 8, 2022, a Public Review Draft of the CAPER was published for a 30-day public comment period. HUD requires the City to submit the CAPER within 90 days of the end of the program year, or September 30, 2022. The PY 2021 CAPER describes the activities undertaken by the City with HUD funds from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

BACKGROUND

The City is an entitlement jurisdiction receiving annual federal funding from HUD. In accordance with federal regulations, each year, the City produces a CAPER. The CAPER serves to meet the performance reporting requirements of HUD as set forth in the Consolidated Plan Regulations. On August 8, 2022, a Public Review Draft of the CAPER was made available for a 30-day public comment period. The draft report describes activities undertaken by the City during the HUD PY 2021, beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, using the following federal funds:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- HEARTH Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
- Home Investment Partnerships (HOME)
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

These grants fund community development efforts to improve housing and opportunities for low- and moderate-income residents of the City. The draft PY 2021 CAPER was developed based on information provided by project managers, subrecipients, and several additional departments and illustrates how the City funded and administered projects to address the four main goals of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. Highlighted accomplishments by goal area for activities funded with HUD CPD grants are as follows:

Homelessness and the Prevention of Homelessness

- 207 households obtained rental assistance or rapid re-housing services
- 1,071 people experiencing homelessness were provided overnight shelter
- 2,255 people were provided services to prevent homelessness

Safe and Affordable Housing

- 43 home repairs were completed for low- and moderate-income homeowners
- 4 new homes were constructed for low- and moderate income homebuyers
- 41 affordable homes for homebuyers were funded and are under construction
- 342 multi-family affordable units were funded and are under construction

Public Infrastructure and Facilities

- 10,405 people benefited from improved neighborhood streets
- 62,468 people benefited from improved parks

Community Services

- 1,015 youth received afterschool and educational programming from PARCS (358), Boys and Girls Club (551), or Fresno EOC (106)

- 619 seniors were connected with opportunities to socialize, exercise, and craft
- 35 businesses were assisted by the Fresno Area Hispanic Foundation and the Chinatown Fresno Foundation

Comments were encouraged and accepted by mail, email, phone, TTY, fax, or survey. Two comments were received by the close of the written comment period on September 8, 2022. Comments received during the Public Hearing will be attached to the final report submitted to HUD.

ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS

This is not a project for purposes of CEQA pursuant to CEQA guidelines Section 15378. These plans, strategies and studies are an exempt activity under HUD NEPA Requirements (24 CFR 58.34 (1)).

LOCAL PREFERENCE

Local preference is not applicable.

FISCAL IMPACT

No City of Fresno general funds will be used for the finalization or submission of the CAPER. Submission of the CAPER is a federal requirement to maintain the City's eligibility for the receipt of HUD CPD funds through CDBG, ESG, HOME, and HOPWA.

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