

City of Pomona

Citizen Participation Plan – Substantial Amendment

The following amendment language will be added to the City’s Citizen Participation Plan to coincide with HUD waivers for emergency funding intended to assist in making a timely response to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The full text of the existing Citizen Participation Plan may be found at: <http://www.ci.pomona.ca.us/index.php/neighborhood-services-home/housing/community-development-block-grant-unit-cdbg>

I. Policy Statement

On March 27, 2020, Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or the “CARES Act”. The Act identified additional funding for the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program and the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program to support preparation for and response to the community impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan (AP) will be amended to incorporate additional funding in the initial phase (FY 2019-2020), and to describe the allocation for CARES Act funding in the CDBG and ESG Programs, and the reallocation of HOME Program Funds.

Summary of Citizen Participation Process and Consultation Process

The Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan (AP Amendment) addressing additional funding from the CARES Act will be available for a public comment period of 5 days per waiver of federal regulations. The draft Amendments to the 19-20 Annual Action Plan is available for comment from all interested members of the public from **Tuesday, April 28, 2020 to Monday, May 4, 2020**. The draft Plans and the public notice document are available for review on the City website at:

<http://www.ci.pomona.ca.us/index.php/neighborhood-services-home/housing/community-development-block-grant-unit-cdbg>

VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

In response to the global COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with California Governor’s Executive Order N-25-20 regarding the Brown Act and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gathering, please note that comments for PUBLIC PARTICIPATION or for a specific item on the agenda will be accepted by **email only**. Comments will be read into the record by the City Clerk. The deadline to submit your comments is by 6:00 p.m. on the day of the scheduled Council meeting. Please email your comments to cityclerk@ci.pomona.ca.us and title your email “Public Comment” along with the date of the Council meeting and indicate if you are commenting on a specific agenda item. All comments must be limited to 200 words.