



Snohomish County Council

Committee: LJHS
ECAF: 21-0534
Proposal: Mot. 21-251

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Date: July 21, 2021

Consideration

The Executive's Office requests Council consider approving proposed Motion 21-251, which would approve and authorize amending the 2019 Annual Action plan to add Supplemental Community Development Block Grant Funds.

Background

On May 1, 2019, the Council passed Motion 19-093¹ approving the Snohomish County Urban County Consortium 2019 Annual Action Plan for HUD housing and community development programs.

On March 27, 2020, The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) was signed into law making an additional \$5,000,000,000 in supplemental CDBG-CV funds and \$1,830,114 of that was allocated to the Consortium in the first phase of CDBG supplemental funding. Council approved the substantial amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan on April 19, 2021 via Motion 21-166.²

Phase three (3) funding is now available and HUD has allocated an additional \$3,095,878 to the Consortium. In order to apply for the funds, an amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan is required to add the funds and update project descriptions and amount allocations for the phase three (3) funding distribution. Although some of the standard requirements may be waived per a memo by HUD dated March 31, 2020, a citizen participation plan was followed and council consideration of a substantial amendment is required.

On Thursday, October 8, 2020, the Policy Advisory Board (PAB) approved a 40% allocation to public services, 20% for economic development, 20% for public facilities and infrastructure and 20% for administrative costs. The CDBG-CV3 funding allocation amendment is available for a five-day public review and comment through the end of the day on July 23, 2021. Should comments be received, Human Services will provide them in advance of council's consideration.

Current Proposal

Scope: Motion 21-251 approves a substantial amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan, incorporating an additional \$3,095,878 in CDBG-CV3 funds allocated to:

- \$1,238,351 to Public Services for the Employment Support Services Program³;
- \$619,176 in Economic Development for grants to small businesses⁴;
- \$619,176 to public facilities and infrastructure projects; and

¹ [General Legislative Session \(granicus.com\)](http://granicus.com)

² [Agenda \(legistar.com\)](http://legistar.com)

³ Outreach and individualized employment services to engage, connect and support individuals and families who are experiencing housing instability or homelessness to obtain and maintain employment stability

⁴ Microenterprises of five or fewer employees, including the owner(s) to establish, stabilize, or expand new or existing microenterprises through the Workforce Snohomish

- \$619,176 in Administrative Costs.

Detailed descriptions of specific projects are located in Attachment A.

Duration: Program year of 2021 with projects operating into 2023.

Fiscal Implications: \$3,095,878 in additional CDBG Funds

2021 Budget: YES. Of the \$1,547,939 anticipated in 2021, \$309,587.50 will be allocated to various admin line items for grant planning and administration.

Future Budget Impacts: YES.

Handling: NORMAL.

Approved-as-to-form: N/A

Risk Management: N/A

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE.

Analysis: Per HUD standard and modified requirements, this motion is consistent with what is needed for a substantial amendment to an annual plan and would require council consideration and approval.

Attachments: NONE

Amendments: NONE

Request: Move to GLS on July 28, 2021 for Council to consider taking action.