

Housing and Affordability Committee

Council Member Tiffany D. Thomas, Chair Council Member Willie Davis, Vice Chair

March 18, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. City Hall Council Chambers 901 Bagby, 2nd Floor, Houston, Texas 77002

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I. Call to Order/Welcome/Attendance

II. Planning & Grant Reporting

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing 1) the submission of the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which includes an application for CDBG, HOME, HOPWA and ESG entitlement grants to be received from HUD: and 2) the execution of the grant agreements between HUD and City of Houston and execution of related forms and documents for the entitlement grants by the Mayor, or the Mayor's designee. (All Districts)

Michael Nichols, Director Angela Simon, Assistant Director

III. Compliance & Grant Administration

HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing and approving a Substantial Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery 2015 Flood Events (CDBG-DR 15) Action Plan to transfer \$3,291,180.00 from the Property Buyout activity to the Public Facilities and Improvements activity within the CDBG-DR 2015 budget for infrastructure projects. (All Districts)

Michael Nichols, Director Kennisha London, Deputy Director

IV. Public Facilities

- a. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Second Amendment to the Loan Agreement between the City of Houston and Edison Arts Foundation to modify the scope of work, budget, and existing requirements for investment of private equity funds for the Edison Performing Arts Center located at 7100 W. Fuqua. (District K)
- b. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a First Amendment to the Loan Agreement between the City of Houston and Fifth Ward Community Redevelopment Corporation (FWCRC). FWCRC intends to enter into a loan for additional construction financing with Business & Community Lenders of Texas (BCL). This Amendment will approve the BCL loan and subordinate the City's forgivable loan to BCL's loan, with no additional funding from the City. (District B)

Michael Nichols, Director Ryan Bibbs, Deputy Assistant Director

V. Single Family

a. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing revisions to the Single Family Home Repair Program (HRP) Guidelines version 1.8 to version 1.9 that will (1) add provisions to the eligibility criteria to require applicants to own and occupy the property as their primary residence for a minimum of 5 years prior to submitting a program application; add cap amounts for delinquent property tax account and utility payment plans and (2) update floodplain requirements to align with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations.(All Districts)

Michael Nichols, Director Cedrick LaSane, Assistant Director

VI. Multifamily

- a. HCD recommends Council approve a Motion Establishing a date for a Public Hearing to provide a Resolution of No Objection for four applicants seeking 4% Housing Tax Credits (HTCs) for four multifamily developments in the city of Houston. (Districts D, E and H)
- b. HCD recommends Council approve a Resolution of No Objection for two applicants seeking 4% Housing Tax Credits (HTCs) for four multifamily developments in the city of Houston. (Districts D, E and H)
- c. HCD recommends Council approve a Motion Establishing a date for a Public Hearing to provide a Resolution of No Objection for two applicants seeking 4% Housing Tax Credits (HTCs) for two multifamily developments. (ETJ)
- d. HCD recommends Council approve a Resolution of No Objection for two applicants seeking 4% Housing Tax Credits (HTCs) for two multifamily developments. (ETJ)
- e. HCD recommends approval of a Resolution allowing construction of one applicant applying for 4% Housing Tax Credits (HTCs) for a development to be located within one mile of similar properties constructed within the last three years. (District H)

Michael Nichols, Director Ryan Bibbs, Deputy Assistant Director

VII. Director's Comments, Michael Nichols

VIII. Public Comments