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SUBJECT: Resolution to set May 19, 2020 Public Hearing Date - May 12, 2020
DATE: May 12, 2020

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

Set May 19, 2020, as the public hearing for the City of Tacoma and Lakewood 2020-24 5-YR Consolidated Plan. This plan is a required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development that sets a framework as to how federal funds will be spent over the next five year.

BACKGROUND:

Every five years, the City submits a Consolidated Plan to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order to fulfill the requirements associated with receipt of entitlement funding. The AAP outlines the uses of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds. As outlined in the City’s Community Participation Plan (CPP), a 30-day public comment period to include acceptance of public comment at a regularly scheduled City Council meeting is necessary.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:

The Housing Division conducted extensive community engagement efforts including presentations at five Neighborhood Councils, Planning Commission, Human Services Commission, Human Rights Commission and the Hilltop Action Coalition. There was also a survey distributed to all attendees and accessible online for several weeks. Existing reports were also referenced and used as guidance including the Tacoma 2025 Strategic Plan, Affordable Housing Action Strategy and the Equity Index. The proposed expenditures of funds are also in alignment with the Economic Development Strategic Action Plan, the development of which also included considerable stakeholder outreach and input.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility: (Mandatory)

These funds will directly benefit low and extremely low-income residents as required by HUD regulations. The actions taken in this plan align with several Tacoma 2025 strategic goals including; **2A** Increase Housing Security, **3C** Improve Neighborhood Business Districts, and **7A** Ensure accountable, efficient, and transparent city services.



ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. No alternatives are presented as this is required by the City or we will be out of compliance with its Citizen Participation Plan and impact the City's ability to expend FFY 2020 HUD funding.	None	A Public Hearing will not be held to receive Public Comment, and we will be out of compliance.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

The 30-day public comment period is posted from April 18, 2020 to May 18, 2020. All written comments from the public hearing will be incorporated into the plan as well.

STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends setting a date of May 19, 2020 for the public hearing during the 30-day public comment period, as requested in this memo for the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. All comments from the public will be incorporated into the plan and prepared for adoption by council on June 2, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Are the expenditures and revenues planned and budgeted in this biennium's current budget?

NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW

Are there financial costs or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?

YES

If the Consolidated Plan is not adopted the City will not be able to access and expend the entitlement funds granted for the FFY 2020.

Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?

No

Will the legislation change the City's FTE/personnel counts?

No