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**SUBJECT:** Resolution to set April 17, 2018 Public Hearing Date – April 3, 2018  
**DATE:** March 19, 2018

**SUMMARY:**

Set April 17, 2018, as the date for a public hearing on the City of Tacoma’s 2018-19 Annual Action Plan (AAP) for Housing and Community Development and Public Services.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

- Ensure all Tacoma residents are valued and have access to resources to meet their needs.
- Foster a vibrant and diverse economy with good jobs for all Tacoma residents.

As a result of submitting its AAP to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the City will receive federal funds to manage its housing, community and economic development, neighborhood improvement, homeless assistance and social service programs.

**BACKGROUND:**

Each year, the City submits an AAP to 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. The City of Tacoma and the City of Lakewood are a consortium partnership for the HOME program, so the Plan identifies the distribution of funds to each entity.

The City anticipates that it will receive HUD entitlement grant allocations as follows: (1) CDBG: \$2,242,344; (2) HOME: \$964,831; and (3) ESG: \$202,381.

During December 2017 and January and February 2018, the City conducted its annual process to allocate funding to specific projects. The Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority (TCRA) and the Human Services Commission (HSC) reviewed applications for funding, heard presentations by programs applying for funding and considered the historic performance of those agencies and the needs of the community. From this, they prepared funding recommendations. Staff will present the funding recommendations at the March 22nd CVS meeting and will forward its recommendations to full Council soon thereafter.

On May 1, 2018, Council will be requested to approve funding recommendations and the AAP pertaining to the CDBG, HOME and ESG grant allocations. This step is necessary for submittal of the AAP to HUD. Prior to this, the TCRA will provide for a 30 day public comment period in accordance with federal requirements and as outlined in the City’s Citizen Participation Plan. This 30-day public comment period will include an opportunity for the community to comment on the funding recommendation and AAP at a public hearing before the City Council. This public hearing will occur on April 17, 2018.

**ISSUE:**

Before submission of the AAP to HUD, the City must fulfill certain citizen participation requirements, including holding a public hearing on the proposed plan. The draft AAP is made available for a period of 30 days, beginning on April 1, 2018 and ending April 30, 2018.



**ALTERNATIVES:**

The City Council could choose not to hold a public hearing. This alternative would put the City out of compliance with its Citizen Participation Plan and make the City ineligible to receive federal funding as outlined above.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends setting a date for the public hearing during the 30 day public comment period, as requested in this memo.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.