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Substantial Amendment #1
FY 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan
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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The City of Palo Alto (City) Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 One Year Action Plan contains the City's one-year plan to carry out housing and community development activities funded by Federal formula grant funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. This Action Plan covers the second of five program years covered by the City's 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan which was adopted by the Palo Alto City Council on June 15, 2020.

The Department of Planning and Development Services is the lead agency for the Consolidated Plan and submits the Annual Action Plan for the City's CDBG program.

HUD requires entitlement jurisdictions to submit an Annual Action Plan to report the distribution of federal entitlement grant funds over the Consolidated Plan's five-year period identifying how funding allocations help meet the goals covered in the Consolidated Plan.

A total of \$746,715 is available for funding projects and programs during the 2021 Program Year. The City received \$536,756 from the federal CDBG program, approximately \$136,049 in program income and \$73,910 in reallocated funds from previous years.

The City's Action Plan covers the time period from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, (HUD Program Year 2021). The City's FY 2021-22 Action Plan reports on the status of needs and outcomes the City expects to achieve in the coming year. All of the activities mentioned in this Action Plan are based on current priorities. By addressing these priorities, the City hopes to meet those objectives stated in the 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan. All the proposed projects and activities are intended to principally benefit residents of the City who have extremely low-, low- and moderate-income, and populations that have special needs, such as the elderly, disabled, and homeless.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

The City is part of the San Francisco Metropolitan Bay Area, located 35 miles south of San Francisco and 14 miles north of San José. The City is located within the County of Santa Clara, borders San Mateo County, and encompasses an area of approximately 26 square miles, one-third of which consists of open space. According to Quick facts data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau[1]

The City's total resident population is 65,364. The City has the most educated residents in the country and is one of the most expensive cities to live in. In Silicon Valley, the City is considered a central economic focal point and is home to over 9,483 businesses.

The Action Plan provides a summary of how the City will utilize its allocation to meet the needs of the City's lower income population. According to the U.S. census data[2], 6.1% of all residents within the City had incomes below the federal poverty level.

Additionally, according to the 2019 Point in Time Homeless Census.[3] There are 299 unsheltered homeless individuals living within the City of Palo Alto. This number represents an increase of 17% from the 256 individuals that were counted in 2017.

As mentioned previously, a total of \$746,715 is available for funding projects and programs during FY2021-22. The City received \$536,756 from the federal CDBG program, approximately \$136,049 in program income and \$73,910 in reallocated funds from previous years. Table 1, "Fiscal Year 2021 CDBG Budget" below summarizes the uses of the funds proposed during FY 2021-22.

Applicant Agency	Allocation
Public Services	
Palo Alto Housing Corporation – SRO Resident Supportive Services	\$24,535
Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County – Long Term Care Ombudsman	\$10,000
Life Moves – Case Management at Opportunity Center	\$31,545
Silicon Valley Independent Living Center – Case Management Services	\$14,021
Sub-total	\$80,101
Planning and Administration	
Project Sentinel – Fair Housing Services	\$33,698
City of Palo Alto Administration	\$99,304
Sub-total	\$133,002
Economic Development	
Downtown Streets – Workforce Development Program	\$160,477
Sub-total	\$160,477
Public Facilities and Improvement	
Ravenswood Family Health Network – Construction of ADA ramp ADA Ramp Improvement Project-City of Palo Alto	\$300,000
Sub-total	\$300,000
Housing Rehabilitation	
Rebuilding Together Peninsula – Safe at Home	\$73,135
Sub-Total	\$73,135
Grand Total	746,715

Table 1: Fiscal Year 2021 CDBG Budget

3. Evaluation of past performance

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This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The City is responsible for ensuring compliance with all rules and regulations associated with the CDBG entitlement grant program. The City's Annual Action Plans and Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports (CAPER) have provided many details about the goals, projects and programs completed by the City. A review of past CAPERs reveals a strong record of performance in the use of CDBG funds. For example, during the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan period, 244 affordable rental units were rehabilitated, 130 jobs were created or retained, and nearly 2,600 households were assisted through public service activities for low- and moderate-income housing.

The City evaluates the performance of subrecipients on a semiannual basis. Subrecipients are required to submit semiannual progress reports, which include client data, performance objectives, as well as data on outcome measures. Prior to the start of the program year, program objectives are developed collaboratively by the subrecipient and the City, ensuring that they are aligned with the City's overall goals and strategies. The City utilizes the semiannual reports to review progress towards annual goals.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The City solicited input throughout the development of the FY 2021-22 Annual Action Plan. As required by HUD, the City provides multiple opportunities for public review and comment on the Action Plan and on any substantial amendments to it. Per the City's adopted Citizen Participation Plan, the City held a 30-day public review comment period for the Action Plan. The City published notifications of upcoming public hearings and the 30-day public review comment period in a local newspaper of general circulation, on the City's CDBG webpage and via email blasts to stake holders. The City held two advertised public hearings on March 11, 2021 and May 3, 2021. The Action Plan 30-day public review period occurred from March 15, 2021 through April 16, 2021.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

There were no public comments received during the public review period.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

The City accepts and responds to all comments that are submitted. As mentioned above, no public comments were received regarding the FY 2021-22 Action Plan.

7. Summary

Please see above.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies - 91.200(b)**1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan**

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role		Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency		PALO ALTO	
CDBG Administrator	PALO ALTO		Department of Planning & Development Services
HOPWA Administrator			
HOME Administrator			
HOPWA-C Administrator			

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**Narrative**

The City is the Lead and Responsible Agency for the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) entitlement programs in Palo Alto. The Department of Planning and Development Services is responsible for administering the City's CDBG program. The City joined the HOME Consortium in 2015 and receives federal HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds through the County.

Entitlement jurisdictions receive entitlement funding (i.e., non-competitive, formula funds) from HUD. HUD requires the City to submit a five-year Consolidate Plan and Annual Action Plan to HUD listing priorities and strategies for the use of its federal funds.

The Consolidate Plan helps local jurisdictions to assess their affordable housing and community development needs and market conditions to meet the housing and community development needs of its populations. As a part of the Consolidate Plan process for 2020-2025, the City collaborated with the County of Santa Clara(County) as the Urban County representing the Cities of Campbell, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Morgan Hill, and Saratoga; the Cities of Cupertino, Gilroy, Mountain View, Sunnyvale, San José, and Santa Clara; and the Santa Clara County Housing Authority (SCCHA) to identify and prioritize housing and community development needs across the region, and to

develop strategies to meet those needs. The FY 2021-22 Annual Action Plan represents the second year of CDBG funding of the 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan.

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AP-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

The Action Plan is a one-year plan which describes the eligible programs, projects and activities to be undertaken with funds expected during FY 2021-22 and their relationship to the priority housing, homeless and community development needs outlined in the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l)).

During Fiscal Year 2021-22, the City will continue to work with non-profit organizations to provide programs and services for low-income households; private industry, including financial and housing development groups, to encourage the development of affordable housing opportunities regionally and within the City; and other local jurisdictions, including the County of Santa Clara, in carrying out and monitoring regional projects in a coordinated and cost-effective manner. The City will provide technical assistance to the public service agencies it funds with CDBG dollars and will continue to attend the biweekly Regional CDBG/Housing Coordinators meetings.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The Santa Clara County Office of Supportive Housing is the administrator of the regional Continuum of Care (CoC). The City continuously coordinates with the Santa Clara County CoC to end and prevent homelessness in the County. City staff attends monthly meetings. The Santa Clara County CoC is a group comprising stakeholders throughout the County, including governmental agencies, homeless service and shelter providers, homeless population, housing advocates, affordable housing developers, and various private parties, including businesses and foundations.

The City's representation on the CoC Board is its Human Services Manager. Members of the CoC meet monthly to plan CoC programs, identify gaps in homeless services, establish funding priorities, and pursue a systematic approach to addressing homelessness. City staff, as well as staff of other cities, meet and consult with the County's CoC staff during the bi-weekly countywide CDBG Coordinators Group meetings, and communicate more frequently via email and/or phone on joint efforts.

The CoC is governed by the CoC Board, which takes a systems-change approach to preventing and ending homelessness. This same CoC Board is comprised of the same individuals who serve on the Destination: Home (Destination Home) Leadership Board. Destination Home is a public-private partnership that is committed to collective impact strategies to end chronic homelessness. Destination Home is the governing body for the CoC and is responsible for implementing by-laws and operational protocols of the CoC.

Regional efforts of the CoC include the development of The Community Plan to End Homelessness, which identifies strategies to address the needs of people experiencing homelessness in the County, including chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth. The plan also addresses the needs of persons at risk of homelessness. The CoC is now in the process of updating a new plan for the next five years and the City plans to participate in these efforts.

Also, during the development of the 2020-25 ConPlan, the City consulted both the CoC and County Office of Supportive Housing for their expertise and experience for identifying community needs.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The City is not an ESG entitlement jurisdiction and therefore does not receive ESG funds. However, the City does administer federal grant programs that help homeless and low-income families in Santa Clara County. The City also helps fund and conduct the Point in Time (PIT) count, the biennial regional collaborative effort to count and survey people experiencing homelessness. The latest count and survey were conducted in January 2019. The data from the 2019 County of Santa Clara PIT count is used to plan, fund, and implement actions for reducing chronic homelessness and circumstances that bring about homelessness.

The Santa Clara County Office of Supportive Services takes the role of Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) administration. The County, and its consultant Bitfocus, work jointly to operate and oversee HMIS. Both software and HMIS system administration are now provided by Bitfocus. Funding for HMIS in Santa Clara County comes from HUD, the County of Santa Clara, and the City of San Jose. The County's HMIS is used by many City service providers across the region to record information and report outcomes.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Boys and Girls Clubs of Silicon Valley
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended Santa Clara focus group meeting on 11/7/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Healthier Kids Foundation Santa Clara County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended Santa Clara focus group meeting on 11/7/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
3	Agency/Group/Organization	COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW AND LOS ALTOS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended stakeholder consultation conference call on 11/15/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
4	Agency/Group/Organization	San Jose Conservation Corps Charter
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended Gilroy focus group meeting on 11/18/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
5	Agency/Group/Organization	CommUniverCity San Jose
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Strategic Plan
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended stakeholder consultation conference call on 11/25/19 and regional forum meeting in San Jose on 11/20/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	The Health Trust
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Strategic Plan
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended stakeholder consultation on 11/21/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Rebuilding Together, Silicon Valley
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended stakeholder consultation conference call on 11/21/19 and San Jose regional forum on 11/20/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process

8	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Cupertino Community Development Department Housing Division
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	
9	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Gilroy
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency was consulted and provided emailed feedback as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
10	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Mountain View
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended regional forum meeting at Palo Alto on 11/7/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
11	Agency/Group/Organization	BILL WILSON CENTER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended Santa Clara focus group meeting on 11/7/19, community meetings on 11/4/19 at Morgan Hill and 11/20/19 at Roosevelt as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
12	Agency/Group/Organization	HEART OF THE VALLEY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency was consulted through interview questions. Agency provided emailed feedback as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
13	Agency/Group/Organization	City of San Jose
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency was contacted for consultation as a partner in addressing the needs of the County as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
14	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF MORGAN HILL
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended regional forum meeting at Morgan Hill on 11/4/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
15	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Sunnyvale
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended regional forum meeting at Palo Alto on 11/7/19 and provided emailed feedback as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
16	Agency/Group/Organization	Servant Partners
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Neighborhood Organization Neighborhood Organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Attended community meeting on 11/13/19 at Hillview library as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
17	Agency/Group/Organization	SENIOR ADULTS LEGAL ASSISTANCE (SALA)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended Palo Alto and San Jose public engagement meeting on 11/17/19 and 11/19/19, regional forum meeting on 11/4/19 at Morgan Hill and 11/7/19 at Palo Alto as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
18	Agency/Group/Organization	HomeFirst
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended regional forum meeting at Morgan Hill on 11/4/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
19	Agency/Group/Organization	Santa Clara County Office of Supportive Housing
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended regional forum meeting at Morgan Hill on 11/4/19 and at Palo Alto on 11/7/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process

20	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Santa Clara
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended regional forum meeting at Morgan Hill on 11/4/19 and provided emailed feedback as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
21	Agency/Group/Organization	Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended stakeholder consultation on 12/9/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
22	Agency/Group/Organization	Destination: Home
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended stakeholder consultation on 11/11/19 as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
23	Agency/Group/Organization	COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended the AFH and ConPlan joint meeting on 12/11/19 at the Gilroy Council Chambers as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process

24	Agency/Group/Organization	St Mary Parish
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Neighborhood Organization Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency attended the AFH and ConPlan joint meeting on 12/11/19 at the Gilroy Council Chambers as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process
25	Agency/Group/Organization	Community and Neighborhood Revitalization Committee - Gilroy
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Community Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Agency co-hosted the AFH and ConPlan joint meeting on 12/11/18 at the Gilroy Council Chambers as part of the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan process

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

Through the countywide development of the Consolidated Plan, AT&T was consulted regarding broadband. For Palo Alto specific information on this topic, staff in the future will contact the City of Palo Alto Utilities Advisory Commission regarding the City's Fiber Network Expansion Project. In regard to resilience specific organizations, Grid Alternatives, an environmental sustainability organization, provided a stakeholder interview during the Consolidated Plan process. Staff plans to expand outreach in this area through contact with the Santa Clara County Office of Emergency Management and the City of Palo Alto Emergency Services which has developed a local hazard mitigation plan.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Regional Continuum of Care Council	Identifies housing inventory count to facilitate the provision of housing services to those experiencing homelessness
City of Palo Alto Housing Element (2015-2023)	City of Palo Alto	Identifies barriers to affordable housing, such as land-use controls, inefficiencies of the development review process, and strategies to alleviate such barriers
2012-2014 Comprehensive HIV Prevention and Care PI	Santa Clara County HIV Planning Council for Prevention and Care	This plan provides a roadmap for the Santa Clara County HIV Planning Council for Prevention and Care to provide a comprehensive and compassionate system of HIV prevention and care services for the County. This effort aligns with the Strategic Plan's goal to support activities that strengthen neighborhoods through the provision of community services and public improvements
SCCHA Moving to Work Annual Plan	Santa Clara County Housing Authority	Addresses housing authority updates and strategies pertaining to public housing and vouchers
Regional Housing Need Plan for San Francisco Bay Area	Association of Bay Area Governments	This plan analyzes the total regional housing need for the County and all of the Bay Area. This effort aligns with the Strategic Plan's goal to assist in the creation and preservation of affordable housing.
Community Plan to End Homelessness in Santa Clara	Destination: Home	The Community Plan to End Homelessness in the County is a five-year plan to guide governmental actors, nonprofits, and other community members as they make decisions about funding, programs, priorities and needs. This effort aligns with the Strategic Plan's goal to support activities to end homelessness
Palo Alto's Infrastructure: Catching Up, Keeping U	City of Palo Alto Infrastructure Blue Ribbon Plan	This plan details recommendations for infrastructure maintenance and replace, as well as identifies potential sources of funding. This effort aligns with the Strategic Plan's goal to support activities that strengthen neighborhoods through the provision of community services and public improvements

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
City of Palo Alto Comprehensive Plan (2030)	City of Palo Alto	This plan is the primary tool for guiding future development in Palo Alto. It provides a guide for long-term choices and goals for the City future. This effort aligns with the Strategic Plan's goal to support activities that strengthen neighborhoods through the provision of community services and public improvements

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

The Planning and Development Services Department is the lead agency for overseeing the development of the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan. Per the City's adopted Citizen Participation Plan, the City is to allow a 30-day public review and comment period for the Action Plan. The City has published notifications of upcoming public hearings and the 30-day public review comment period in the local newspaper of general circulation, on its CDBG webpage and via email blasts. The City held two advertised public hearings on March 11, 2021 and May 3, 2021. The Action Plan 30-day public review period occurred from March 15, 2021 through April 16, 2021. The City did not receive any public comments on the Action Plan.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	The Human Relations Commission met on March 11, 2021 to discuss the FY2021-22 funding allocations and review the draft FY2021-22 Annual Action Plan	One member of the public provided comments on the funding allocation. Three members representing two funding applicants provided comments at the meeting.	All comments were accepted.	https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/files/assets/public/agendas-minutes-reports/agendas-minutes/human-relations-commission/2021/03-11-21-hrc-agenda.pdf

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
2	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	The City Council met on May 3, 2021 to discuss the FY2021-22 funding allocations and adopt the draft FY2021-22 AAP	One member of the public provided comments on the funding allocation.	All comments were accepted.	https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/files/assets/public/agendas-minutes-reports/agendas-minutes/city-council-agendas-minutes/2021/05-03-21-ccm-agenda-revis
3	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Notice of Public Hearing and Public Comment Period on the Draft AAP was published in the Daily Post on February 25, 2021.	N/A	N/A	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
4	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Notice of Public Hearing and Public Comment Period on the Draft AAP was published in the Daily Post on March 6, 2021.	N/A	N/A	
5	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Notice of City Council Public Hearing was published in the Daily Post on April 17, 2021.	N/A	N/A	
6	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Draft AAP FY2021-22 for public review and comments for posted at the City of Palo Alto's CDBG webpage.	N/A	N/A	https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/Departments/Planning-Development-Services/Long-Range-Planning/Community-Development-Block-Grant

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
7	Email Blasts	Non-targeted/broad community	Notice of City Council Public Hearing was emailed to approximately 55 stakeholders.	N/A	N/A	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

In FY 2021-22, the City will allocate \$746,715 to eligible activities that address the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. It should be noted that while the HUD CDBG allocations are critical, the allocations are not sufficient to overcome barriers and address all needs that low-income individuals and families face in attaining self-sufficiency. The City will continue to leverage additional resources as described below to provide support and services to the populations in need within the community. The following section discusses the anticipated resources available during the next five years for community development activities.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	536,756	136,049	73,910	746,715	2,250,000	CDBG funds will be used for the creation and preservation of affordable rental units, improvements in lower income neighborhoods, and public services that benefit low income and special needs households
Other	public - federal	Other	0	0	0	0	0	

Table 2 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

Entitlement Funds Leverage, in the context of the CDBG and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), means bringing other local, state, and federal financial resources to maximize the reach and impact of the City's HUD Programs. HUD, like many other federal agencies, encourages the recipients of federal monies to demonstrate that efforts are being made to strategically leverage additional funds in order to achieve greater results.

The City joined the Santa Clara County's HOME Consortium in 2015 and does not receive federal HOME funds on an entitlement basis from HUD. The HOME Consortia consists of the cities of Cupertino, Gilroy, Palo Alto, and the Urban County. HOME funds can be used to fund eligible affordable housing projects for acquisition, construction and rehabilitation. Starting in FY 2015-16 developers of affordable housing projects were eligible to competitively apply through an annual RFP process directly to the County for HOME funds to help subsidize affordable housing projects in Palo Alto. Applications will be directly submitted through the County's request for proposal process for available HOME funds. Certain nonprofit organizations known as Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) may also apply for funding from State HCD for housing projects located within Palo Alto. The City received one HOME grant from 1992 HOME funding for the Barker Hotel project. Proceeds from HOME loan repayments must be deposited into a HOME Program Income Fund and used in accordance with the HOME program regulations. In addition, the County will only fund a project that has the local support of the City. If the City receives HOME dollars from its participation in the HOME consortium, the required 25 percent matching funds will be provided from the City's Affordable Housing Fund, which is comprised of two sub-funds: The Commercial Housing Fund & the Residential Housing Fund. To date, no projects within the City have been funded through the HOME Consortium. Moving forward, the City plans to increase outreach to developers in the City to provide additional information on the HOME Consortium & available funding.

Other State & Federal Grant Programs In addition to the CDBG entitlement dollars, the federal government has several other funding programs for community development & affordable housing activities. These include: Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, Section 202, Section 811, the Federal Home Loan Bank Affordable Housing Program (AHP) & others. It should be noted that in most cases the City would not be the applicant for these funding sources as many of these programs offer assistance to affordable housing developers rather than local jurisdictions. The State of California has recently passed approximately 20 bills with the intent of increasing or preserving affordable housing with the State. According to the Governor's State of the State address, bills that help increase housing production, both market-rate & affordable, will be a priority. The City will continue to track & look for opportunities to leverage State resources for the City.

Local Housing & Community Development Sources: Other local resources that support housing & community development programs include: Palo Alto Commercial Housing Fund & Palo Alto Residential Housing Fund. The City will continue to seek opportunities for projects that meet

local bond requirements in order to bring additional resources to help the City's affordable housing shortage.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

The City has no surplus public land. However, in 2019, the Governor Newsome signed Executive Order N-06-19 that ordered the California Department of General Services (DGS) and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to identify and prioritize excess state-owned property and aggressively pursue sustainable, innovative, cost-effective housing projects. There is no excess state property in the City of Palo Alto.

Discussion

Please see information provided in previous sections.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Affordable Housing	2020	2025	Affordable Housing		Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$73,135	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 6 Household Housing Unit
2	Homelessness	2020	2025	Homeless		Homelessness	CDBG: \$56,080	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 169 Persons Assisted
3	Strengthen Neighborhoods	2020	2025	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development		Community Services and Public Improvements	CDBG: \$324,021	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1,200 Persons Assisted Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 74 Persons Assisted
4	Fair Housing	2020	2025	Non-Housing Community Development		Fair Housing	CDBG: \$33,698	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 13 Persons Assisted
5	Economic Development	2015	2020	Non-Housing Community Development		Economic Development	CDBG: \$160,477	Jobs created/retained: 15 Jobs

Table 3 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Affordable Housing
	Goal Description	Assist in the creation and preservation of affordable housing for low income and special needs households.
2	Goal Name	Homelessness
	Goal Description	Support activities to prevent and end homelessness, such as funding affordable housing opportunities, resource centers for homeless individuals, and support for tenants of single-room occupancy units.
3	Goal Name	Strengthen Neighborhoods
	Goal Description	Provide community services and public improvements to benefit low-income and special needs households. This includes assisting those with disabilities to transition from unstable housing to permanent housing, supporting residents of long-term care facilities, and supporting individuals experiencing domestic violence.
4	Goal Name	Fair Housing
	Goal Description	Promote fair housing choice by funding fair housing organizations to provide fair housing services, such as education, tenant-landlord mediation, and testing.
5	Goal Name	Economic Development
	Goal Description	Support economic development activities that promote employment growth and help lower-income people secure and maintain jobs. This includes funding nonprofits working toward developing the skills of low-income and homeless individuals.

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

The Consolidated Plan goals below represent high priority needs for the City of Palo Alto (City) and serve as the basis for the strategic actions the City will use to meet these needs. The goals, listed in no particular order, are:

1. Assist in the creation and preservation of affordable housing for low income and special needs households.
2. Support activities to end homelessness.
3. Support activities that strengthen neighborhoods through the provision of community services and public improvements to benefit low income and special needs households.
4. Promote fair housing choice.
5. Expand economic opportunities for low income households.

#	Project Name
1	Ravenswood Family Health Network: ADA Accessible Clinic Entrance and Exit at the Palo Alto Clinic ADA Ramp Improvement Project-City of Palo Alto
2	Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County: Long Term Care Ombudsman
3	Silicon Valley Independent Living Center: Housing and Emergency Housing Services.
4	Project Sentinel - Fair Housing Services
5	City of Palo Alto - Planning and Administration
6	Downtown Streets Inc. - Workforce Development Program.
7	Rebuilding Together Peninsula Safe at Home
8	LifeMoves - Opportunity Services Center and Hotel De Zink (HDZ): Case Management
9	Alta Housing (Former: Palo Alto Housing Corporation Management and Services Corporation)

Table 4 – Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

The City awards CDBG funding to projects and programs that will primarily benefit low-income, homeless and special needs households. The City operates on a two-year grant funding cycle for CDBG public service grants and a one-year cycle for CDBG capital housing rehabilitation and public facilities and improvement projects. Projects are only considered for funding within the Consolidated Plan period if they address the goals discussed above.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Ravenswood Family Health Network: ADA Accessible Clinic Entrance and Exit at the Palo Alto Clinic ADA Ramp Improvement Project-City of Palo Alto
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Strengthen Neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Community Services and Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$300,000
	Description	ADA Accessible Clinic Entrance and Exit at the Palo Alto Clinic. Eligible Activity (Matrix Code):03P. CDBG National Objective:570.208(a)(2). CDBG Citation:24 CFR 570.201(C). Recipient Type: LMC. This project will help in rehabilitating existing ramp and convert it into a safe and accessible ADA ramp at 270 Grant Ave, Palo Alto to allow for adequate social distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19 as well as improve patients' access to the clinic. The City intends to fund and manage a major curb ramp improvement project that will bring an estimated 70 curb ramps up to current ADA accessibility standards. CDBG Eligible Activity: Public Facilities and Improvements: Health Facilities (HUD Matrix Code). The Project meets the following Consolidated Plan Goal(s): #3 - Support provision of essential human services, particularly for special needs populations, and maintain/expand community facilities and infrastructure.
	Target Date	6/30/2022 12/30/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 1,200 Palo Alto residents belonging to 80% and low-income bracket will benefit from the proposed activity Approximately 70 curb ramps at many intersections will be improved benefitting elderly populations and persons with disabilities. 2,283 persons in the City live with disabilities.
	Location Description	Palo Alto, CA 94306 Street intersection locations TBD
2	Planned Activities	Project activities include removal of the existing ramp and replacement with an ADA accessible ramp and a stair option. Additionally, a motion-sensor door will be installed to allow safe and easy access to the clinic. The City intends to competitively bid the removal of noncompliant ADA intersections and installation of current DOT standard ADA ramp improvements to be completed in 2023.
	Project Name	Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County: Long Term Care Ombudsman
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Strengthen Neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Community Services and Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000

	Description	Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program. Eligible Activity (Matrix Code):05A. CDBG National Objective: 570.208(a)(2). CDBG Citation:570.201(e). Recipient Type: LMC
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The program will provide advocacy and complaint investigation for 50 elderly residents of long-term care facilities in Palo Alto.
	Location Description	Long-term care and skilled nursing facilities throughout the City.
	Planned Activities	Regular contact with Palo Alto Residential Care Facilities to observe and monitor conditions of care.
3	Project Name	Silicon Valley Independent Living Center: Housing and Emergency Housing Services.
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Strengthen Neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Community Services and Public Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$14,021
	Description	Housing and Emergency Housing Services. Eligible Activity (Matrix Code):05B. CDBG National Objective:570.208(a)(2). CDBG Citation:570.201(e). Recipient Type: LMC
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	24 unduplicated Palo Alto residents will benefit from one on one housing assistance.
	Location Description	Citywide
4	Planned Activities	Silicon Valley Independent Living Center provides assistance for individuals with disabilities and their families to transition from homelessness, health care facilities, unstable or temporary housing to permanent affordable, accessible, integrated housing with emergency assistance, security deposits, rent, information, and referral, and other basic essentials.
	Project Name	Project Sentinel - Fair Housing Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Fair Housing

	Needs Addressed	Fair Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$33,698
	Description	Fair Housing Services. Eligible Activity (Matrix Code):21D. CDBG National Objective:570.208(a)(2). CDBG Citation: 570.206(c). Recipient Type: LMC
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	13 unduplicated individuals will be provided with fair housing services of complaint counseling, investigation and where appropriate enforcement referral.
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Project Sentinel will provide community education and outreach regarding fair housing law and practices, investigation, counseling and legal referral for victims of housing discrimination, and analyses for City staff and officials regarding fair housing practices. California and federal fair housing laws assure specific protected classes the right to be treated in terms of their individual merits and qualifications in seeking housing. Unfortunately, some people are not aware of the law or their rights.
5	Project Name	City of Palo Alto - Planning and Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Affordable Housing Homelessness Strengthen Neighborhoods Fair Housing Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness Community Services and Public Improvements Fair Housing Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$99,304
	Description	Planning and Administration: CDBG Citation: 570.206(a)
	Target Date	6/30/2022

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The City will provide general administrative support to the CDBG program.
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Administer the Administrative costs for the overall management, coordination, and evaluation of the CDBG program, and the project delivery costs associated with bringing projects to completion.
6	Project Name	Downtown Streets Inc. - Workforce Development Program.
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$160,477
	Description	Workforce Development Program. Eligible Activity (Matrix Code): 05H.CDBG National Objective: 570.208(a)(2)(A). CDBG Citation: 570.204(a)(2). Recipient Type: LMC
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	15 unduplicated homeless and unemployed persons will be placed in jobs through job training/employment readiness classes and outreach to local employers.
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	The Workforce Development Program will provide a transition from unemployment and homelessness to regular employment and housing through case management, job training, mentoring, housing, and transportation assistance. Downtown Streets Team will screen and prepare applicants and will use their community connections to provide training and job opportunities.
7	Project Name	Rebuilding Together Peninsula ÆÏÆÏÆÏ Safe at Home
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$73,135

	Description	Safe at Home Program. Eligible Activity (Matrix Code): 14A/B.CDBG National Objective: 570.208(a)(3). CDBG Citation: 570.202(b)(11). Recipient Type: LMH
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	6 households
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Provide home safety repairs, mobility and accessibility improvements for low- income households in Palo Alto with the primary consideration being the correction of safety hazards.
8	Project Name	LifeMoves - Opportunity Services Center and Hotel De Zink (HDZ): Case Management
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness
	Funding	CDBG: \$31,545
	Description	Opportunity Services Center Eligible Activity (Matrix Code):03TCDBG National Objective: 570.208(a)(2). CDBG Citation:570.201(e). Recipient Type: LMC
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	38 unduplicated individuals (homeless and/or very low income individuals per year) will receive case management services including assistance with housing/job searches, referrals and mentoring through the Opportunity Services Center.
	Location Description	33 Encina Way, Palo Alto, CA 94301
9	Planned Activities	Case management services will be provided to Opportunity Services Center and Hotel De Zink clients in locating housing and/or employment and be connected to benefits.
	Project Name	Alta Housing (Former: Palo Alto Housing Corporation Management and Services Corporation)
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homelessness

Needs Addressed	Homelessness
Funding	CDBG: \$24,535
Description	SRO Resident Support Program. Eligible Activity (Matrix Code):05OCDBG National Objective:570.208(a)(2). CDBG Citation:570.201(e). Recipient Type: LMC
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
Location Description	439 Emerson Street, Palo Alto, CA 94301 735 Alma Street Palo Alto, CA 94301
Planned Activities	Palo Alto Housing Corporation engages a service coordinator to provide 40 hours weekly services to provide case management and support counseling services to residents at Alma Place and Barker Hotel to help them maintain housing stability. Activities include financial counseling, health maintenance, information and referral, problem solving, employment assistance, crisis intervention and case management. Both Alma Place and Barker Hotel are single-room occupancy facilities.</

AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

The City allocates CDBG funds to benefit low-moderate income (LMI) households and does not have target areas. Instead, the City focuses its services and capital improvements across the City as a whole.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 5 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Not applicable.

Discussion

Please see discussion above.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing - 91.420, 91.220(g)

Introduction

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported
Homeless
Non-Homeless
Special-Needs
Total

Table 6 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through
Rental Assistance
The Production of New Units
Rehab of Existing Units
Acquisition of Existing Units
Total

Table 7 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

AP-60 Public Housing - 91.420, 91.220(h)

Introduction

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

Discussion

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities - 91.420, 91.220(i)

Introduction

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

Discussion

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing -91.420, 91.220(j)

Introduction

The incorporated and unincorporated jurisdictions within the County face barriers to affordable housing that are common throughout the Bay Area. High on the list of market barriers is the lack of developable land, which increases the cost of available lands and increases housing development costs. Local opposition is another common obstacle as many neighbors have strong reactions to infill and affordable housing developments. Their opposition is often based on misconceptions, such as a perceived increase in crime; erosion of property values; increase in parking and traffic congestion; and overwhelmed schools. However, to ensure a healthy economy the region must focus on strategies and investment that provide housing for much of the region's workforce – for example, sales clerks, secretaries, waiters, baristas, teachers, and health service workers – whose incomes significantly limit their housing choices.

It should be noted that in a constrained housing supply market, when housing developments produce housing that is relatively affordable, higher income buyers and renters generally outbid lower income households. A home's final sale or rental price will typically exceed the projected sales or rental costs. Public subsidies are often needed to guarantee affordable homes for low and moderate income households.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

Palo Alto is addressing the barriers to affordable housing through:

- **Context-Based Design Codes:** The City adopted form-based codes in 2006 to ensure and encourage residential development by following context-based design guidelines to incentivize increased density needs.
- **Density Bonus Ordinance:** The City adopted a Density Bonus Ordinance in January 2014 to allow for bonuses of 20 to 35 percent, depending on the amount and type of affordable housing provided, the regulations also allow for exceptions to applicable zoning and other development standards, to further encourage development of affordable housing.
- **Below Market Rate (BMR) Housing Program:** Established in 1974, the City's BMR requires developers to provide a certain percentage of units as BMR in every approved project of three units or more. The program originally required that for developments on sites of less than five acres, the developer must provide 15 percent of the total housing units as BMR housing units. If the site was larger than five acres, the developer was required to provide 20 percent of the units as BMR housing. The City of Palo Alto have historically used in-lieu fees and the use of development impact fees charged on new, market-rate housing and/or commercial

development. The City updated its Commercial and Residential Impact Fee Nexus Studies and adopted two ordinances to make changes to its BMR program and adopted a new fee structure. The ordinances became effective on June 19, 2017.

- **Fair Housing:** The City provides funding to Project Sentinel. Project Sentinel provides expertise in fair housing law and tenant-landlord disputes. Services include information, referrals, community outreach and education. In addition, Project Sentinel resolve fair housing complaints via investigation, mediation, education and outreach to both property owners and tenants about fair housing policies.
- **Housing Implementation Ordinance (HIP):** Effective May 2, 2019, this Ordinance adopted changes to the following zoning districts: Citywide – where multifamily uses are permitted, Multifamily Residential Districts (RM), Downtown (CD-C), California Avenue (CC ((2))), and El Camino Real (CS and CN).
- **Affordable Housing (AH) Combining District:** In 2018, The City Council adopted the Affordable Housing Combining District to provide flexible development standards beyond the State Density Bonus Law to allow 100% affordable housing projects located in a commercial zoned area.
- **Workforce Housing (WH) Combining District:** The City Council also adopted in 2018 the Workforce Housing Combining District to encourage the development of housing within half-mile of major fixed rail transit by modifying flexible development standards for the public facilities (PF) zoning district.

Discussion

Please see above.

AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

Introduction

This section discusses the City's efforts in addressing the underserved needs, expanding and preserving affordable housing, reducing lead-based paint hazards, and developing institutional structure for delivering housing and community development activities.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The diminishing amount of funds continues to be the most significant obstacle to addressing the needs of underserved populations. To address this, the City supplements its CDBG funding with other resources and funds, such as:

- In FY2020-21, The City's Human Service Resource Allocation Process (HSRAP) provided \$549,306 from the General Fund in support of human services. The HSRAP funds, in conjunction with the CDBG public service funds, are distributed to local non-profit agencies. Additionally, approximately \$78,000 was provided to nonprofit organizations serving Palo Alto residents with short-term and/or urgent funding to address emergency, critical or emerging human services needs through the Emerging Needs Fund.
- The Palo Alto Commercial Housing Fund is used primarily to increase the number of new affordable housing units for Palo Alto's work force. It is funded with mitigation fees required from developers of commercial and industrial projects.
- The Palo Alto Residential Housing Fund is funded with mitigation fees provided under Palo Alto's BMR housing program from residential developers and money from other miscellaneous sources, such as proceeds from the sale or lease of City property. The Residential Housing Fund is used to assist new housing development or the acquisition, rehabilitation or the preservation of existing housing for affordable housing.
- The City's Below Market Rate Emergency Fund was authorized in 2002 to provide funding on an ongoing basis for loans to BMR owners for special assessment loans and for rehabilitation and preservation of the City's stock of BMR ownership units.
- HOME Program funds are available on an annual competitive basis through the State of California HOME program, and the County's HOME Consortium.
- The Housing Authority of the County of Santa Clara (HACSC) administers the federal Section 8 program countywide. The program provides rental subsidies and develops affordable housing for low income households, seniors and persons with disabilities living within the County.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will foster and maintain affordable housing by continuing the following programs and ordinances:

- The Below Market Rate Emergency Fund which provides funding on an ongoing basis for loans to BMR owners for special assessment loans and for rehabilitation and preservation of the City's

stock of BMR ownership units.

- The Commercial Housing Fund is used primarily to increase the number of new affordable housing units for Palo Alto's work force.
- The Residential Housing Fund is used to assist new housing development or the acquisition, rehabilitation or the preservation of existing housing for affordable housing.
- The Density Bonus Ordinance adopted by the City Council in January 2014. The density bonus regulations allow for bonuses of 20 to 35 percent, depending on the amount and type of affordable housing provided.
- The City's participation in the County's HOME Consortium will allow developers of affordable housing projects to be eligible to competitively apply through an annual RFP process directly to the County for HOME funds to help subsidize affordable housing projects in Palo Alto, including acquisition, construction and rehabilitation.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City's housing and CDBG staff provides information and referral to property owners, developers, and non-profit organizations rehabilitating older housing about lead-based paint (LBP) hazards. Any house to be rehabilitated with City financial assistance is required to be inspected for the existence of LBP and LBP hazards. The City will provide financial assistance for the abatement of LBP hazards in units rehabilitated with City funding. The City also requires that contractors are trained and certified in an effort to decrease the risk of potential use of LBP in new units. All development and rehabilitation projects must be evaluated according to HUD's Lead Safe Housing Rule 24 CFR Part 35.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City, in its continuing effort to reduce poverty, will prioritize funding agencies that provide direct assistance to the homeless and those in danger of becoming homeless. In FY 2021-2022, these programs will include the following:

- LifeMoves provides basic necessities for persons who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. The Opportunity Services Center is a comprehensive, one-stop, multi-service, day drop-in center that provides critical services for homeless Palo Alto residents. Specifically, the facility provides showers, laundry, clothing, snacks, case management, and shelter/housing referral services.
- Palo Alto Housing Corporation will provide counseling and supportive case management services for low-income residents of single-room occupancy facilities to help them maintain housing stability. Activities include financial counseling, health maintenance, information and referral, problem solving, employment assistance, crisis intervention, and case management.
- Downtown Streets Team works to reduce homelessness through a "work first" model. Downtown Streets Team uses its community connections to provide training and job

opportunities to homeless people, specifically in the downtown area.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City is striving to improve intergovernmental and private sector cooperation to synergize efforts and resources and develop new revenues for community service needs and the production of affordable housing. Collaborative efforts include:

- Regular bi-weekly meetings between entitlement jurisdictions at the CDBG Coordinators Meeting and Regional Housing Working Group.
- Joint jurisdiction Request for Proposals and project review committees.
- Coordination on project management for projects funded by multiple jurisdictions.
- HOME Consortium meetings between member jurisdictions for affordable housing projects.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

The City benefits from a strong jurisdiction and region-wide network of housing and community development partners, such as the County and the Continuum of Care. To improve intergovernmental and private sector cooperation, the City will continue to participate with other local jurisdictions and developers in sharing information and resources.

In addition to the actions listed above, the City will continue to coordinate with the City's human services funding efforts to comprehensively address community needs.

Discussion

Please see discussions above.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction

The following provides additional information about the CDBG program income and program requirements.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	100.00%

Please see discussion above.

Attachments

Citizen Participation Comments

APPENDIX A

PUBLIC COMMENTS

**FY2021-22 Annual Action Plan was circulated for Public Comments
and Review from March 15, 2021 through April 16, 2021.
During the 30 days public comment
and review period time, no comments were received**

APPENDIX B

PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATIONS

OBITUARIES

Richard J. Pollak, 95

Richard Pollak, a World War II veteran and an aeronautical and aerospace engineer from Los Altos, has died. He was 95.

Pollak, who died on Nov. 16, was born in Milwaukee to Lillian Friedlander Pollak and Joseph Pollak.

During World War II he served in the U.S. Air Force in Burma and India as an engineer-gunner on B-25 bombers, flying 59 combat missions and receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Pollak became an aeronautical and aerospace engineer after studying at Caltech and the University of Michigan. In the 1950s, he participated in pioneering work on "fly-by-wire" control systems for jet aircraft, working at Honeywell in Minneapolis and Northrup in Southern California.

Pollak, who moved to Palo Alto in 1957, worked for most of his career at Lockheed in Sunnyvale on satellite systems until his retirement in 1992.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Anne Fishman Pollak; and sister, Joan Kan.

Pollak is survived by daughters, Susanna Lea and Jody Pollak; son, Daniel Pollak; and granddaughters, Jasmin and Jenna Mould.

Joel K. Straus, 73

Joel Keith Straus, a lawyer who lived in Mountain View, has died. He was 73. Straus, who died on Nov. 17, was born to Mollie and Jack Straus on Oct. 25, 1947, in Chicago.

He received a history degree from UCLA and a law degree from UC-Hastings College of Law in San Francisco.

Straus, who practiced family law for 40 years, served as president of the San Mateo County Bar Association and was a law professor at San Francisco State.

Straus, who moved to Mountain View in 2013, was a member of Peninsula Sinai Congregation in Foster City.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Straus; son, Jonathan Straus (Ashley); daughter, Erica Rosen (David); grandchildren, Ben Straus, Sam Straus, Eliott Rosen and Amalia Rosen; sister, Vivian Yahiro; sister-in-law, Joyce Robbins; and mother-in-law, Sybil Kuby.

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Notice of Funding Availability
Fiscal Year 2021-22 & 2022-23
Community Development Block Grant Program

Pre-Proposal Conference:
Monday, December 14, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.
Attendance at the conference is mandatory

Applications Due:

On or before 12:00 p.m. on Friday, January 15, 2021

Applications are now available for the City of Palo Alto's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for Fiscal Year 2021-22 (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022) & 2022-23 (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023). The City is requesting proposals for eligible capital housing and public facilities rehabilitation projects, public service programs and economic development projects. The City may award and appropriate funds to one or more eligible projects in each funding category. Funds must be used to serve low-and/or moderate-income households located within the City of Palo Alto jurisdiction limits.

The CDBG Program is directed toward expanding and maintaining the affordable housing supply; promoting housing opportunities and choices; maintaining and improving community facilities; increasing economic opportunities, accessibility, energy efficiency and sustainability; and providing supportive services specifically for persons of low and very low income. Targeted groups might include persons who are homeless, seniors, persons with disabilities, and other special needs groups.

The following funding categories are on a one-year grant funding cycle (FY 21/22):

1. CDBG Capital Housing and Public Facilities Rehabilitation Projects (approx. \$449,038. This amount is available for three funding categories: Housing Rehabilitation, Public Facilities Rehabilitation and Economic Development Category)

The following funding categories are on a two-year grant funding cycle (FY 21/22, & 22/23):

1. CDBG Public Services (approx. \$68,000)
2. CDBG Planning and Administration (approx. \$117,000. The City of Palo Alto is one of the applicants for the administration of the CDBG program under this category)
3. CDBG Economic Development (approx. \$449,038. This amount is available for three funding categories: Housing Rehabilitation, Public Facilities Rehabilitation and Economic Development Category)

A mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on Monday, December 14, 2020, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The meeting will be held virtually through Microsoft Teams Meeting. For meetings details, see below:

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To request link of the meeting or if you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Erum Maqbool, CDBG Staff Specialist at 650-329-2660 or via email at erum.maqbool@cityofpaloalto.org

Applications are available online at:
https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/gov/depts/pln/fong_range_planning/community_development_block_grant/default.asp

The estimated CDBG dollar amounts may change based upon the final allocations announced by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Funding allocations are subject to City Council approval and may change as a result. The application period will open on Monday, November 30, 2020 and will end at 12:00 pm on Friday, January 15, 2021. For additional questions, please contact Erum Maqbool, CDBG Staff Specialist, at erum.maqbool@CityofPaloAlto.org or 650.329.2660.

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CELEBRITY FILE

Springsteen's DUI charge tossed out

The government dropped drunken driving and reckless driving charges against Bruce Springsteen yesterday stemming from an incident in New Jersey on Nov. 14, admitting that the rocker's blood-alcohol level was so low that it didn't warrant the charges.

Springsteen pleaded guilty to a third charge, consuming alcohol in a closed area, the Gateway National Recreation Area.

Facing a judge and more than 100 onlookers in a video conference, Springsteen sat next to his lawyer and admitted he was aware it was illegal to consume alcohol at the park.

"I had two small shots of tequila," Springsteen said in response to questions from an assistant U.S. attorney.

U.S. Magistrate Anthony Mautone fined Springsteen \$500 for the offense, plus \$40 in court fees.

"I think I can pay that immediately, your honor," Springsteen told Mautone.

French media reports said the charges relate to allegations made by an actress in her 20s that date back to 2018. An initial inquiry against the star was dropped in 2019 because of lack of evidence, but was later revived.

The woman reportedly alleged that Depardieu assaulted her on Aug. 7 and Aug. 13, 2018, at his home in Paris. The two met when Depardieu led a master class at her school.

RUSH SPARKS FLAG DISPUTE:

Palm Beach County defied Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis yesterday, refusing to lower its courthouse flags to half-staff in honor of the late conservative broadcaster Rush Limbaugh — a move that the governor's office called "petty."

"The lowering of flags should be a unifying gesture during solemn occasions, such as in remembrance of the young lives lost during the Parkland High School massacre," Palm Beach County Commissioner Melissa McKinlay tweeted. "Although Rush Limbaugh was a significant public figure, he was also an incredibly divisive one who hurt many people with his words and actions."

DeSantis' office issued a statement saying, "It is unfortunate that Palm Beach County would rather engage in petty politics than honor the death of one of their county's and state's most prominent residents and a Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient."



SPRINGSTEEN



LIMBAUGH



DEPARDIEU

DEPARDIEU RAPE CHARGE: The Paris prosecutor's office said that French actor Gerard Depardieu has been charged with rape and sexual assault after authorities revived an investigation that was initially dropped.

The office said on Tuesday that Depardieu was not detained when he was handed the preliminary charges on Dec. 16.

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City of Palo Alto Architectural Review Board Regular Meeting March 18, 2021 at 8:30am

On Thursday March 18, 2021, at 8:30 AM the Architectural Review Board (ARB) will conduct a public hearing. Pursuant to the provisions of California Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, issued on March 17, 2020, to prevent the spread of COVID-19, this meeting will be held by virtual teleconference only, with no physical location. The meeting will be broadcast live on Cable TV and through Channel 26 of the Midpen Media Center at bit.ly/midpenwatchnow. Members of the public may comment by sending an email to arb@cityofpaloalto.org or by attending the Zoom virtual meeting to give live comments. Instructions for the Zoom meeting, ARB agendas and staff reports can be found at bit.ly/paloaltoARB. Visit bit.ly/PALApendingprojects to view project plans and details.

Action Items

1. PUBLIC HEARING / QUASI-JUDICIAL. 4260 El Camino Real [19PLN-00142]: Consideration of a Minor Architectural Review to Allow for Façade Renovation to an Existing Structure. Scope of Work Includes Removing Existing Wood Siding and Replacing it With new Stucco and Metal Siding, new Paint and Metal Cable Railing Along all Stairways. Environmental Assessment: Exempt. Zoning District: CS (Service Commercial). For More Information Contact the Project Planner Emily Foley at emily.foley@cityofpaloalto.org.
2. ARB Review of Objective Standards

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CELEBRITY FILE

Cage's fifth wife

"National Treasure" actor Nicolas Cage has tied the knot a fifth time, marrying a woman less than half his age in Las Vegas, TMZ reported yesterday.

The 56-year-old Cage, who lives in Sin City, married Riko Shibata, 26, on Feb. 16 at the Wynn Hotel after he proposed to her over FaceTime in the summer while she was in Japan.

The ceremony included readings of Walt Whitman poetry and Japanese

haiku, according to the New York Post. Cage divorced his last wife, Erika Koike, less than two years ago after they were married for just four days. In court documents, Cage said he "lacked understanding of his actions in marrying (Koike) to the extent that he was incapable of agreeing to the marriage."

He was previously married to Patricia Arquette, Lisa Marie Presley and Alice Kim.



CAGE



SHIBATA

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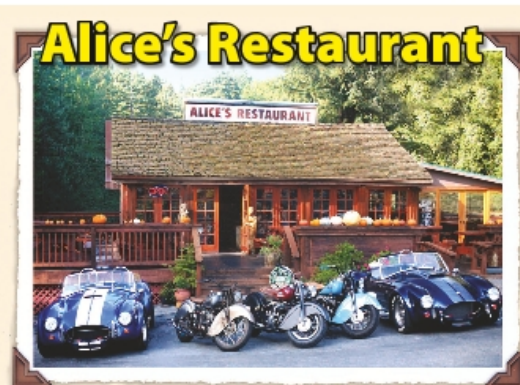
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'Harry Potter' star dies from cancer

British actress Helen McCrory, who starred in the television show "Peaky Blinders" and the "Harry Potter" movies, has died in London, her husband said yesterday. She was 52 and had been suffering from cancer.

Her husband, fellow actor Damian Lewis, said McCrory died "peacefully at home" after a "heroic battle with cancer."

"She died as she lived. Fearlessly," Lewis wrote on Twitter.

McCrory was one of Britain's most respected actresses, making her mark by playing a succession of formidable and sometimes fearsome women.

She played the matriarch of a crime family on "Peaky Blinders," which is set in the early 20th-century English underworld, and the scheming Voldemort ally Narcissa Malfoy in the "Harry Potter" movies.

McCrory also starred as a human

rights lawyer dragged into international intrigue in the TV thriller "Fearless," played lawyer Cherie Blair, wife of British Prime Minister Tony Blair, in the 2006 movie "The Queen," and appeared in James Bond's "Skyfall."



MCCRORY

YOUTUBE STAR HOSPITALIZED:

YouTube personality, businessman and musician Jeffree Star was hospitalized after a car crash in Wyoming yesterday.

Star veered off a slushy road in the Casper area and overturned his Rolls Royce, according to the Wyoming Highway Patrol. A friend, Daniel Lucas, also was in the car. Both were taken to a hospital in Casper with undisclosed injuries.

Star, who is best known for his cosmetics business, has drawn attention for using racist language, posing with a Confederate flag and promoting self-harm, prompting him to apologize.



STAR

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File No. FB673521
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(POST April 17, 23, 30, May 7)



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