



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 7/12/12
 Agenda Item #: C.3
 Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
 Date Submitted: 6/21/12

Agenda Title: Approval of five (5) intergovernmental agreements to continue the Multnomah County Community Development Block Grant Consortium for the program years 2013-2015.

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: July 12, 2012 **Time Needed:** N/A
Department: DCHS **Division:** Community Services
Contact(s): Carol Cade and Mary Li
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Consent Agenda

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Approval to extend the attached intergovernmental agreements to extend the Multnomah County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Consortium for the program years 2013-2015.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, allows local governments to form consortia for the purpose of obtaining funding as a participating jurisdiction under the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) CDBG program. By applying jointly as a consortium, the population of the participating cities and unincorporated urban Multnomah County is sufficient to qualify as an Urban County Entitlement area and receive funds directly to Multnomah County. The CDBG program dollars benefit low and moderate-income households and communities through the provision of social services, public facilities improvement projects and housing rehabilitation programs.

Since 1984, the County and the cities of Fairview, Maywood Park, Lake Oswego, Troutdale, and Wood Village have participated in the CDBG Consortium to receive federal CDBG grant funds directly from HUD. Each participating local government must adopt the intergovernmental agreement and provide the fully executed agreements to the local HUD office by July 13, 2012 in order to continue receiving funds for the 2013-2015 program years.

Each of the local governments has participated in preparing the five-year Consolidated Plan which guides utilization of the CDBG funds. The current Plan is effective for fiscal years 2011-2016. During each year the Plan's policy and planning priorities are in effect, one-year Action Plans implement actual activities and services.

The amount of CDBG funding awarded to the Consortium each year is determined by HUD according to a formula counting the eligible low income populations within the jurisdictional boundaries of all the local governments within the Consortium.

The County is the smallest member of the Consortium, counting eligible residents from unincorporated east County and the cities of Troutdale, Fairview, Wood Village and Maywood Park. Each local government expends its share of the CDBG funds with separate applications and grant awarding processes to non-profit sponsors or other housing and services providers.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

N/A

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

N/A

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

The five-year Plan and yearly Action Plans have been extensively reviewed in public meetings before the joint Federal Funding Oversight Committee. The Consolidated Plan was also adopted in a public meeting before the Board of Commissioners. The participating members of the Consortium will approve the intergovernmental agreements in public meetings before their respective city councils.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department
Director:**

Susan Myer /s/

Date:

6/21/12