# CITY OF ANTIOCH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) COMMITTEE MEETING

Special Meeting May 21, 2025 9:30 a.m. Council Chambers

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Pro-Tem, Rocha, Councilmember, Tamisha Torres-Walker

Staff: Teri House, CDBG Housing Consultant and Delia Pedroza, Housing Specialist

## 2. CONSENT CALENDAR

2.1 Approval of the CDBG Committee meeting minutes - Deferred.

#### 3. NEW BUSINESS

# 3.1 Staff Presentation - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Update

HUD allocations were announced 5/14 and the City of Antioch will receive \$911,040 an increase of \$31,147 from last year's allocation of \$879,893. There are about 12 different factors that determine the allocation of a city will get as entitlement jurisdiction, including the age and amount of the housing stock, households living at or below the poverty level, and other factors. It is likely that the City received more funding because the number of lower income households increased as well as the depth of poverty.

The President's proposed skinny budget calls for the elimination of all CDBG funds as well as HOME funds, with Emergency Solution Grant (ESG) funds proposed to be merged with the homeless funding and very much reduced. If that budget is passed the City would not get an allocation next year. Staff is carefully watching the federal budget approval process and the City may have more indication by October.

Discussion – Torres-Walker – Spoke of HOPE Solutions housing project which is not moving forward in Antioch.

Update and Discussion – Rocha – Spoke of meeting with HUD in Washington DC and discussion of federal funding instability, as well as the Section 108 loan program to borrow against CDBG funding.

Discussion – Rocha on Amending the budget – Staff explained possible steps in case CDBG funding is eliminated. Suggests reconvening CDBG Committee to talk about resources that remain, possibly hire a consultant to look at State and other funding sources, Committee strategize about steps forward. To change the Consolidated Plan or Action Plan funding requires development of the requested changes, advertising in the

paper to solicit public comments for 31 days, approval by the CDBG Committee (can be within the 31 day period) and approval by the City Council after the 31 day period and public comment is considered. Following approval from Council, the City can issue an RFP for agencies to provide a different type of service, as this is required for federal procurement. City wouldn't be terminating current contracts in all likelihood, but could change at the end of a fiscal year.

# 3.2 Staff Presentation – High and Medium Priority Needs

Staff prepared a list of High Priority Needs based on Committee discussion and feedback at the previous meeting, public comments, data from the Consolidated Plan, past priorities, and prior achievements reported in the year-end CAPER report:

## **Antioch High Priority Needs for Consolidated Plan 2020-2025:**

**Public Services** - High Priority Need for Public Services that focus on "safety net" services for populations with the greatest needs, including:

- Persons with incomes primarily between 0-30% of the area median income (AMI) and also including persons with incomes between 30% -50% AMI.
- Unhoused persons
- Persons with disabilities
- Elderly and frail elderly persons
- Battered spouses and their children
- Abused and neglected children

## **Economic Development services**

Set maximum at 12% - 15% of the CDBG grant amount

#### Administration of CDBG and Housing programs (required by HUD)

**Housing Services -** High Priority Need for Housing Services, including:

- Fair Housing and Tenant/Landlord services
- Emergency Short-Term Housing/Rental Assistance

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**Affordable Housing programs** which maintain or create housing for lower income homeowners and renters (balance of funding (47% of CDBG plus Housing Successor and Permanent Local Housing Allocation [PLHA] funds, including:

- Housing rehabilitation loans and grants for lower income homeowners
- Housing purchase down-payment loan assistance for lower income renters wishing to purchase homes in Antioch
- Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) construction for rent by lower income renters.
- Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit (JADU) construction by lower income homeowners.

- Construction of multi-family rental units for special needs populations and lower income renters, especially those with incomes at 50% or less of the area median.
- Rehabilitation of multifamily rental units for lower income renters if it adds additional new units to housing inventory.

**Action Item**: It is recommended that the CDBG Committee finalize High

and Medium Priorities for 2025-2030 Community Grant

Funding

Motion passed unanimously

#### 3.3 Review of Final Processes

Staff reviewed final scoring processes, that they would be reflective of the recommended priorities just passed. Staff will send out a scoring tool in Excel to make process more streamlined for Committee.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None

# 5. UPCOMING/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Complete rating by May 29. June 4, 2025 next regular meeting to deliberate and finalize funding.

#### 6. ORAL OR WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS - None

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Torres-Walker, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rocha, meeting was adjourned by 11: 20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Teri House, CDBG Housing Consultant