# **CITY OF MONTEREY PARK'S**

# SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO

## FY 2015-2019

# **CONSOLIDATED PLAN (DRAFT)**













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#### INTRODUCTION

The City of Monterey Park ("City") is an entitlement jurisdiction receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Pursuant to HUD regulations, the City is required to prepare a five-year Consolidated Plan and annual updates (Annual Action Plan) to guide and report on the use of CDBG funds. This document is a Substantial Amendment to the City of Monterey Park's 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan which was submitted to and approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

#### **REGULATORY BASIS**

Title 24 Section 91.505 of the Code of Federal Regulations stipulates that the City must amend its approved Consolidated Plan and associated Annual Action Plans whenever the City:

- 1. Makes a change in its allocation priorities or a change in the method of distribution of funds:
- 2. Carries out an activity, using funds from any program covered by the Consolidated Plan (including program income) not previously described in the action plan; or
- 3. Changes the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity.

The Regulation further requires that the City identify in its Citizen Participation Plan the criteria used to determining what constitutes a Substantial Amendment. Consistent with these requirements, the Citizen Participation Plan adopted by the City of Monterey Park identifies three criteria that will require a Substantial Amendment. A Substantial Amendment will be required when the City:

- 1. Makes a change in allocation priorities or change in method of distribution of funds;
- 2. Carries out an activity not previously described in the Action Plan; or
- 3. Substantially changes the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity.

The proposed change meets one of these three criteria and so requires a Substantial Amendment.

#### PROPOSED CONSOLIDATED PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT

The City is proposing the following amendments to the Strategic Plan section of its FY 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan in order to prepare, prevent or respond to coronavirus. The Strategic Plan is the centerpiece of the Consolidated Plan. The Strategic Plan describes the general priorities for assisting households, programs to assist those households in need; and five-year accomplishments objectives.

- 1. Strategic Plan Anticipated Resources The City is proposing to amend the Strategic Plan to add Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funds (CDBG-CV) as an anticipated resource during the planning period.
- 2. Strategic Plan Goals The Consolidated Plan identifies the following four goals:

1	Goal Name	Affordable Housing
	Goal Description	Assist in the creation and preservation of affordable housing for low income and special needs households, including the rehabilitation of existing owner-occupied units (entitlement funds) and rehabilitation of existing rental units (CHDO funds).
2	Goal Name	Economic Development
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Make timely payments to retire Section 108 Loan.
3	Goal Name	Fair Housing
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Promote fair housing choice.
4	Goal Name	Planning and Administration
	Goal Description	Support activities that strengthen neighborhoods through the provision of community services to benefit low- and moderate-income and special needs households.

The City is proposing to amend the Consolidated Plan Strategic goals shown above as follows:

- a. <u>Goal # 1 (Affordable Housing)</u> Amend to add tenant based rental assistance including emergency short-term tenant-based rental assistance in response to the coronavirus.
- b. Goal #2 (Economic Development) Amend to add small business assistance.
- c. Goal #3 (Fair Housing) No change.
- d. Goal #4 (Planning and Administration) No change.
- e. <u>Add Goal #5 (Public Services)</u> Add public service activities as a goal including but limited to short-term utility assistance, short-term rental assistance, and other public services benefiting low- and moderate-income households such as short-term meal assistance, health services, employment services.

**3. 5-Year Accomplishment Goals** – The City is proposing to adjust numerical goals identified in the Consolidated Plan as follows:

Due to programmatic and staff changes, the City not meet the goals set forth in the Consolidated Plan and is proposing the following numerical Consolidated Plan numerical goal amendment.

- a. Reduce housing rehabilitation goal from 40 to 15 households.
- b. Reduce public infrastructure goal from two to one project.

With the addition of Strategic Plan goals noted under Section 2 (Strategic Plan Goals), the following accomplishment goals are being added:

- a. Add economic development accomplishment goal to assist 65 businesses.
- b. Add Public Services accomplishment goal to assist 500 households.

#### **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

In accordance with 24 CFR 91.105(c)(3) for local governments and HUD waiver published April 9, 2020, the public notice inviting public review and comments on the Substantial Amendment for the Consolidated Plan was published on May 11, 2020 and comments were accepted through May 19, 2020. During the 7-day public comment period, the public notice for the proposed Substantial Amendment was made available for public inspection on the City's website at <a href="https://www.montereypark.ca.gov/231/Federal-HUD-CDBG-Program">https://www.montereypark.ca.gov/231/Federal-HUD-CDBG-Program</a>.

At the time of preparing this staff report, City staff *had not received* any written comments concerning the Substantial Amendment to the FY 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. Subsequent to City Council approval, the Substantial Amendment will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. *Insert comments if received*.

## **EXHIBIT 1**

PROOF OF PUBLICATION, 7-DAY COMMENT PERIOD, AND PUBLIC HEARING

### **EXHIBIT 2**

## SUMMARY OF CITIZEN COMMENTS