

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Community and Human Development
AGENDA DATE: March 24, 2009
CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: William Lilly/541-4643
DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: District 8

SUBJECT:

APPROVE a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? OR AUTHORIZE the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.

Discussion and action on a Resolution that City Council amend the City's 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan for 2005-2010 by adding one new area benefit activity, the Segundo Barrio Revitalization – Neighborhood Cleanup Campaign project, in the amount of \$15,000.00 to the 34th Year (2008-2009) Community Development Block Grant Program, and that the City Manager or her designee be authorized to take any actions necessary to accomplish the intent of the resolution and implement the project.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?

This project, Segundo Barrio Revitalization – Neighborhood Cleanup Campaign, is an interim assistance activity that involves intensive neighborhood clean-up efforts in one residential, CD-eligible neighborhood in District 8. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of \$15,000 will be used to pay for the use of necessary equipment (front-end loaders, bobcats, dump trucks, trash collection roll-offs, etc) to effectuate the clean-up, as well as disposal related costs. The assistance provided in this targeted area is an initial step in the City's strategy to implement more permanent improvements, as practicable, in this neighborhood.

A Notice was placed in the El Paso Times on February 19, 2009, to invite public comment for a minimum of 30 days, ending March 23, 2009. Any citizen comments received after the submittal of this Summary Form will be relayed to City Council before action is taken on this item.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?

Yes, on November 28, 2006, City Council approved funding for an Interim Assistance activity that benefitted the Chamizal and Lower Dyer Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

How will this item be funded? Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?

Funds designated for this project are available in the Community Development (CD) Contingency Account No. G7129CD0001. A budget transfer in the amount of \$15,000 from the CD Contingency Account to the new project account will occur upon Council's approval of this item.

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

Enter appropriate comments or N/A

This particular activity was originally incorporated into an existing 34th Year (2008-2009) CDBG project entitled Lower Dyer and Chamizal Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas Code Enforcement Program. However, because it's an Interim Assistance activity, CD regulations require that it be removed from the Code Enforcement project (because it's not code enforcement) and established as a separate eligible activity (Interim Assistance). The CD Steering Committee originally approved this activity on April 1, 2008, when it was incorporated in the Code Enforcement project.

*******REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*******

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Anthony C. Shea for W. Kelly
(Example: if RCA is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)
Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2008, the City Council for the City of El Paso adopted a Final Action Plan for 2008-2009 for the Consolidated Plan 2005-2010, including the 34th Year (2008-2009) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, and on the same date authorized the City Manager to sign and submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) the Annual Action Plan (2008-2009) and all certifications contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, based on the recommendation of the Director of the Community and Human Development Department and Department staff, now desires to amend the Annual Action Plan (2008-2009) and 34th Year (2008-2009) CDBG Program Budget by adding one interim assistance activity; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2009, the City of El Paso published in the El Paso Times public notice and allowed a 30-day public comment period regarding the proposed amendment to the Annual Action Plan (2008-2009) and 34th Year (2008-2009) CDBG Program Budget and City Council has duly considered public comment, if any.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

1. That the Annual Action Plan (2008-2009) and 34th Year (2008-2009) CDBG Program Budget is hereby amended as follows:

The new interim assistance activity, "Segundo Barrio Revitalization - Neighborhood Cleanup Campaign" - \$15,000.00 (**District 8**)" is added to provide an intensive neighborhood clean-up effort in the form of garbage, trash, and debris removal services, disposal-related costs, and equipment use (front-end loaders, bobcats, dump trucks, trash collection roll-off, etc.) to effectuate a clean-up campaign in the identified CD-eligible neighborhood in El Paso, Texas.

2. That the City Manager or her designee be authorized to take any actions necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution and to implement the project, including the necessary budget transfers and notifying HUD of said Annual Action Plan amendment.

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2009

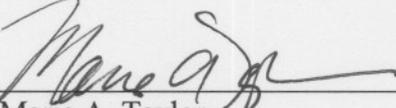
John F. Cook,
Mayor

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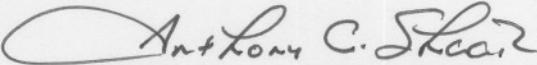
Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Marie A. Taylor
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



for William Lilly, Director
Community and Human Development

Plan Area

The neighborhood is located in the Central Planning Area and to the immediate south of the El Paso Downtown area. The neighborhood boundaries include: Paisano, Cotton, Cesar Chavez Memorial Highway (Border Highway) and the alley between Mesa and Stanton. A residential overlay from the alley between Mesa and Stanton to Santa Fe is attached to the neighborhood boundary – at residents' request – to ensure that the social services of the neighborhood revitalization strategy are available to residents living within the El Paso Downtown 2015 Plan.

