

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION (RCA)**

**DEPARTMENT:** Community and Human Development  
**AGENDA DATE:** November 13, 2007  
**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** William Lilly/541-4643  
**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All Districts

**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 2007-2008 Annual Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan for 2005-2010 by: (1) deleting one social service activity, YWCA El Paso Del Norte Region-Teen Leadership Program, totaling \$26,437, (2) adding one new social service activity, Candlelighters of the El Paso Area Activity Center, totaling \$24,707 to the 33<sup>rd</sup> Year (2007-2008) Community Development (CD) Block Grant Program, and (3) increasing the amount awarded to an existing 33<sup>rd</sup> Year social service activity, City Parks and Recreation's Sun Country Recreation Program, by \$1,730 from \$79,318 to \$81,048; and that the City Manager be authorized to sign any agreements or related documents upon approval by the City Attorney's Office and Director of Community and Human Development Department and to take any actions necessary to accomplish the intent of the resolution.

**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?**

The YWCA voluntarily made a decision to return the 33<sup>rd</sup> Year social service funds awarded to them for their Teen Leadership Program under the 33<sup>rd</sup> Year Children and Youth Services Collaborative, due to staffing turnover and paperwork requirements that would have made it extremely difficult to satisfactorily complete the program. Members of the Children and Youth Services Collaborative were asked to reconvene to develop a recommendation for re-distributing the \$26,437 awarded to the YWCA. The Collaborative recommended to the CD Steering Committee that the minimum funding level of \$24,707 be awarded to the single unfunded agency in their collaborative – Candlelighters of the El Paso Area. The Candlelighters' Activity Center Program will provide 1,620 hours of supportive services to 60 children with cancer and their families in a facility provided by Providence Memorial Hospital. The Collaborative also recommended that the remaining \$1,730 be awarded to an existing 33<sup>rd</sup> Year social service activity – City Park Sun Country Recreation Program, which had received an \$8,500 cut from their previous year's funding. The additional funding increases their award from \$79,318 to \$81,048, and increases the units of recreation services from 33,200 to 33,925.

The Community Development Steering Committee, on Thursday, October 4, 2007, unanimously recommended these proposed program changes, and a Notice was placed in the El Paso Times on October 9, 2007, to allow a 30-day period for public comment, ending November 9, 2007. Any citizen comments received after the submittal of this Request for Council Action will be forwarded to City Council for consideration.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

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

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City Council approved the Annual Action Plan (2007-2008) on June 26, 2007.

**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?**

Funding for the new Candlelighters Activity Center Program and for increasing the existing Parks Sun Country Recreation Program is currently available in the YWCA Teen Leadership Account No. G7133SS0009. Upon Council's approval of this item, \$26,437 will be transferred from the YWCA account to the CD Contingency Account No. G7129CD0001. Subsequently, a budget transfer of \$24,707 from the CD Contingency Account to the new Candlelighters account will occur, as will a budget transfer in the amount of \$1,730 from the CD Contingency Account to the Parks Sun Country Recreation Account No. G7133CD0005.

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

**Enter appropriate comments or N/A**

On October 4, 2007, the Community Development Steering Committee unanimously recommended that these 33<sup>rd</sup> Year (2007-2008) Annual Action Plan program changes occur.

**\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\***

**LEGAL:** (if required)

*Maudie*

**FINANCE:** (if required)

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

*Anthony C. Shafer for W. Lilly*

(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:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, on June 26, 2007, the City Council for the City of El Paso adopted a Final Action Plan for 2007-2008 for the Consolidated Plan 2005-2010, including the 33<sup>rd</sup> Year (2007-2008) 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 (2007-2008) and all certifications contained therein; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council, based on the recommendation of the CD Steering Committee and the Director of the Community and Human Development Department, now desires to amend the Annual Action Plan (2007-2008) and 33<sup>rd</sup> Year (2007-2008) CDBG Program Budget by deleting one social service activity and reallocating and/or reprogramming those reserved funds to add one new social service activity and to increase the funding of an existing social service activity; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 9, 2007, the City of El Paso published in the El Paso Times public notice and allowed a 30-day public comment period regarding the proposed amendments to the Annual Action Plan (2007-2008) and 33<sup>rd</sup> Year (2007-2008) CDBG Program Budget and City Council has duly considered public comment, if any; and

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

1. That the Annual Action Plan (2007-2008) and 33<sup>rd</sup> Year (2007-2008) CDBG Program Budget is hereby amended as follows:
  - (a) the social service project "YWCA El Paso Del Norte Region-Teen Leadership Program- \$26,437 (**All Districts**) (Account No. G7133SS0009)" is deleted;
  - (b) a portion of the reserved HUD funds from the above project is reallocated and/or reprogrammed to add the following new social service activity to the 33<sup>rd</sup> Year (2007-2008) CDBG Program Budget: "Candlelighters of the El Paso Area Activity Center - \$24,707 (**All Districts**)" and will fund 1,620 hours of supportive services to 60 children with cancer and their families; and
  - (c) the remaining portion of the reserved HUD funds is reallocated and/or reprogrammed to: "City Parks and Recreation's Sun Country Recreation Program (**All Districts**) (Account No. G7133CD0005)", an existing 33<sup>rd</sup> Year (2007-2008) CDBG social service project, increasing the project budget from \$79,318 to \$81,048 and increasing the units of recreation services from 33,200 to 33,925.
2. That the City Manager be authorized to sign any agreements or related documents upon approval by the City Attorney's Office and Director of Community and Human Development Department and to take any actions necessary to accomplish the intent of

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this resolution, including the necessary budget transfers and notifying HUD of said Annual Action Plan amendment.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

CITY OF EL PASO

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John F. Cook  
Mayor

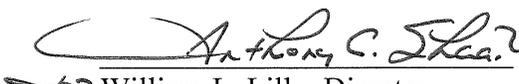
ATTEST:

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Richarda Duffy Momsen  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Marie A. Taylor  
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

  
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William L. Lilly, Director  
Community and Human Development

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