

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	FY25 HUD Annual Action Plan
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to file the FY25 Annual Action Plan, the substantially amended Consolidated Plan, and the amended Citizen Participation Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The sources of federal funding and programs are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).
INITIATED BY:	Community Reinvestment

Recommendation: Approval is requested to file the FY25 Annual Action Plan, the substantially amended Consolidated Plan, and the amended Citizen Participation Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) due to the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) not being included in the previous approval. The sources of federal funding and programs are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solution Grant (ESG). The City of Columbus will receive \$1,701,526 in CDBG, \$914,862.28 in HOME, and \$145,932 in ESG.

Background: The City of Columbus received a new funding source in its annual entitlement funding called the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). Resolution 147-24 was approved on April 24, 2024. The approval did not include ESG and thus an amendment was necessary for the consolidated plan and the citizen participation plan, along with the initially approved annual action plan to accept ESG funding.

The City of Columbus assesses their affordable housing and community development needs and market conditions through its Consolidated Plan, to make data-driven, place-based investment decisions. The Consolidated Plan is mandated by federal law and regulations promulgated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the City of Columbus to receive federal funding for affordable housing and community development initiatives benefiting primarily low- and moderate-income persons. An amendment is proposed to add the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) to the Consolidated Plan (CP).

An amendment is proposed to add a revision consideration under the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) to be able to amend the Consolidated Plan when new HUD grant programs are added to annual entitlement funds.

The Annual Action Plan (FY25/PY24) is a document designed to meet the needs identified in the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan. The Annual Action Plan (2024) is a document required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) illustrating how CDBG, HOME, and ESG Entitlement funding will be expended during (FY25/PY24) (see attached). The Annual

Action Plan is an annual plan of the City's Five-Year Consolidated Plan for the years 2021 - 2025.

A public hearing was held on September 11, 2024, and the required public comment period will expire on September 27, 2024. These plans must be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) no later than September 27, 2024.

Analysis: A resolution is needed to authorize the filing of the FY25 Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Financial Considerations: The sources of federal funding for projects recommended in the FY25 Annual Action plan are: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). HUD is in the process of using the Federal Formula for entitlement grant awards for jurisdictions. The City of Columbus will receive \$1,701,526 in CDBG, \$914,862.28 in HOME, and \$145,932 in ESG.

Legal Considerations: Council must approve the filing of the FY25 Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Recommendations/Actions: Approval is requested to file the FY25 Annual Action Plan, the substantially amended Consolidated Plan, and the amended Citizen Participation Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The sources of federal funding and programs are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solution Grant (ESG).

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF THE FY25 HUD ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, SUBSTANTIALLY AMENDED CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND AMENDED CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, wishes to come into compliance with Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, the

National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 as amended, the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 as amended, and the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Act of 2010 as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the FY2025/PY2024 Annual Action Plan for the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia, has been developed as prescribed by the Federal Regulations of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and,

WHEREAS, the sources of federal funding and programs are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).

WHEREAS, the Citizen Participation Plan was amended, and The Consolidated Plan was substantially amended to accept Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

That the FY2025/PY2024 Annual Action Plan, amended citizen participation plan and the substantially amended Consolidated Plan are hereby approved for filing with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and executes all contracts, agreements, and understandings related to the FY2025 Annual Action Plan.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the _____ day of _____ 2024 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Chambers voting	_____.
Councilor Cogle voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor Hickey voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor