

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Annual HUD Entitlement, Capital Fund Program and Moving To Work Funding Environmental Review Approval
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to execute approvals of environmental review records for the building and site improvements annually performed through HUD Entitlement, Capital Fund Program (CFP) and Moving to Work (MTW) funds.
INITIATED BY:	Community Reinvestment

Recommendation: Approval is requested to execute approval of environmental reviews for the building and site improvements annually performed through HUD Entitlement, Capital Fund Program (CFP) and Moving to Work (MTW) funds. The City Manager's signature is required because the City of Columbus is the Federal grantee of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development dollars.

Background: The City of Columbus annually receives HUD entitlement funds that support community development activities to build stronger and more resilient communities. In addition, Housing Authority of Columbus Georgia (HACG) annually conducts necessary critical repairs/renovations for its public housing stock utilizing HUD Capital Fund Program (CFP) and Moving to Work (MTW) funds. Through this funding, HACG modernizes and/or repairs its public housing stock. The repairs of public housing include items such as administration, operations, fees and costs for appliances, equipment, security enhancements, information technology improvements, sewer and water line repair, HVAC repair/replacement, landscape repair, exterior doors, windows repair/replacement, electrical repair /replacement, roof repair/replacement and painting. In order to access the HUD Federal funding, with the City of Columbus being the Responsible Entity, The Department of Housing and Urban Development is requesting City Manager signature approving environmental reviews, which trigger the release of funds for HUD funding. City Manager signature is needed since the City of Columbus is the responsible entity for HUD funding.

Analysis: A resolution is needed to allow the City Manager signature approving environmental reviews related to HUD funding, which will trigger the release of funds for these projects.

Financial Considerations: HUD Entitlement, Capital Fund Program (CFP) and Moving to Work (MTW) funding will be released. The City has financial consideration in terms of HUD entitlement funds as HOME requires a 25% match. The city does not have any fiscal consideration as Capital Fund Program (CFP) and Moving to Work (MTW) funds are administered by the Housing Authority.

Legal Considerations: Any agreement involving City of Columbus requires Council approval.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to allow the City Manager to execute approvals of environmental review records for the building and site improvements annually performed through HUD Entitlement, Capital Fund Program (CFP) and Moving to Work (MTW) funds. The City Manager's signature is required because the City of Columbus is the Federal grantee of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development dollars.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FOR THE BUILDING AND SITE IMPROVEMENTS ANNUALLY PERFORMED THROUGH HUD ENTITLEMENT, CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM (CFP) AND MOVING TO WORK (MTW) FUNDS.

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) annually provides funding to the City of Columbus to support community development activities; and,

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has provided Capital Fund Program / Moving To Work (MTW) funding to the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia (HACG) for affordable housing development; and,

WHEREAS, execution of environmental reviews is necessary to release HUD funds to community based projects; and,

WHEREAS, The City Manager's signature is required because the City of Columbus as the Federal grantee of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) dollars, is the Responsible Entity for approving environmental reviews.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute environmental reviews for the building and site improvements annually performed through HUD Entitlement, Capital Fund Program (CFP) and Moving to Work (MTW) funds related to the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the _____ day of November 2022 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor House voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.
Councilor Woodson voting	_____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor