

# Council Agenda Summary

December 6, 2022

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## Title:

Public hearing to Consider a Substantial Amendment (#4) to the Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus ("CDBG-CV") related to the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and 2020 Action Plan

## Summary:

The City has received two rounds of CARES Act Funding through the Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV 3). The total of the two rounds of funding received is \$1,020,067. The grants are specifically for the preparation for, prevention of, and response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The City tried to implement several activities to use funds, but the only activity to move forward has been support for the Housing Navigation Center/Cold Weather Shelter/Day Use Facility run by United Way of Weld County.

United Way updated the application submitted in October 2021 requesting an increase in CDBG-CV funding by \$192,000 (see attachments) to increase support for staff providing the services and meals for guests. The City has requested that the shelter be open 24/7 from November 15, 2022 through April 15, 2023; CDBG-CV funds will provide support for the additional hours.

Also attached is proposed Substantial Amendment #4. This Amendment is for the changes noted below.

## Proposed Substantial Amendments

1. **Increase** allocation to Administration from \$193,635 to \$200,000. Twenty percent is allowable under the grant; this would be 19.6%. While it is not anticipated that \$200,000 will be needed, without any other activities identified, this will provide support for whatever administrative costs are charged to CDBG-CV.
2. **Increase** funding to Priority A, Housing Navigation Center/Cold Weather Shelter/Day Use Facility from \$360,000 to \$820,067. (This is more than the United Way of Weld County request; however, when inputting the activities into IDIS, all of the \$1,020,067 needs to be attached to an activity. With no other activity identified, this encumbers the remaining grant funds for HUD purposes. If the actual budget was more than anticipated, this would also allow for an increase without returning to the full citizen participation process.)
3. **Remove** Priority B funding (for the Bonell non-congregate shelter). This activity did not move forward.

**Note:** The City has three years (until June 2023) to expend and draw 80% (\$816,054) of the total grant and six years to expend it all. The Agreement with United Way expires on March 31, 2023 to leave time for the draw request from them and to draw the funds from HUD.

The public comment period ran from November 10, 2022 through November 15, 2022. (The CDBG-CV grant allows for a five-day comment period, rather than 30, per the City's HUD CPD Rep.) City Council will review the Board's recommendations and hold the required public hearing on December 6, 2022, after which the Amendment will be submitted to HUD for approval.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Does this item create a fiscal impact on the City of Greeley?	Yes, it is an entitlement grant available to the City, specific to COVID-19 pandemic.
If yes, what is the initial, or, onetime impact?	\$1,020,067 (total CDBG-CV)
What is the annual impact?	N/A
What fund of the City will provide Funding?	N/A
What is the source of revenue within the fund?	U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development
Is there grant funding for this item?	Yes, this is a HUD grant
If yes, does this grant require a match?	No
Is this grant onetime or ongoing?	One-time
Additional Comments:	

**Legal Issues:**

None.

**Other Issues and Considerations:**

HUD regulations require a public hearing to be held before Council approval.

**Decision Options:**

- 1) Approve the Substantial Amendment with noted activities and budgets, as presented; or
- 2) Request changes to the Substantial Amendment and then adopt with changes; or
- 3) Continue consideration of the items to the next regular Council meeting, understanding the HUD deadline by which the CDBG-CV funds must be applied for.

**Council's Recommended Action:**

A motion to accept the Substantial Amendment as presented.

**Attachments:**

United Way application documents  
Substantial Amendment for the CARES Act Funding