

Council Agenda Summary

April 19, 2022

Agenda Item Number

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Title

Consideration of the City of Greeley's Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Program Year 2021 for Submission to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Summary

The City of Greeley annually receives two grants from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD): The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) grant.

CDBG grants are awarded to entitlement communities (principal cities of a Metropolitan Statistical Area or with a population greater than 50,000) to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalization of neighborhoods, economic development, improved facilities and services, and affordable housing within the community. Priority must be given to activities that benefit low-moderate-income persons (including neighborhoods). HOME grants may be used only to provide affordable housing for low-moderate-income persons.

HUD sets income levels annually for the CDBG and HOME grant programs, which are a percentage of the area median income (AMI). In 2021, HUD's AMI for the Greeley MSA, which includes all of Weld County, was \$88,500 for a family of four. The majority of CDBG funds and all HOME funds must have beneficiaries earning 80% or less of the AMI (\$70,800). Neighborhoods that have a predominantly low-income population are also available for assistance.

To receive the grants, the City must develop a Strategic Plan every five years to identify the community's needs and set goals to meet those needs through the approval of an Annual Action Plan for each of the five years. The City started its 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan on January 1, 2020. HUD requires the City to submit an Annual Action Plan setting forth the intended uses of the CDBG and HOME funds for a one-year period. Annual Plans must support the priorities and goals established in a Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The Council approved the 2021 Annual Action Plan through a public hearing process at its October 6, 2020 meeting.

At the conclusion of each action year, the City must also prepare a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) that describes for the public and HUD how federal assistance was used during that action year. The attached CAPER is for the second year of the current Consolidated Plan (2021). The City's 2021 grants were as follows: CDBG-\$832,431; HOME-\$409,150. The City also received funds from Revolving Loan Funds from the Housing Rehabilitation Program and program income from a closed program (Homes Again Purchase Program). These funds were payments on loans provided with grant funds. Program income was also received.

At the GURA Board's April 13, 2022 meeting, a public hearing was held, and the GURA Board voted to accept the CAPER and recommend approval to City Council. A public comment period was held March 26, 2022 through April 12, 2022. There were no comments received, and no attendance at the public hearing.

Reporting to HUD occurs online through the Integrated Disbursal and Information System (IDIS). Specific questions are completed for each step of the process: Consolidated Plan, Action Plan, and the CAPER. Each has specific questions to which the City must respond. Terminology may not be familiar to the general public; definitions or further explanation of any information in the CAPER is available from the Greeley Urban Renewal Authority.

It is requested that the approval be by motion, as noted below under "Council's Recommended Action".

Fiscal Impact

Does this item create a fiscal impact on the City of Greeley?	No, this is a formal report concerning the use of the City's federal housing funds.
If yes, what is the initial or onetime impact?	
What is the annual impact?	
What fund of the City will provide funding?	
What is the source of revenue within the fund?	
Is there grant funding for this item?	
If yes, does this grant require a match?	
Is this grant onetime or ongoing?	Annually reauthorized by Congress
Additional Comments:	

Legal Issues

None

Other Issues and Considerations

None

Applicable Council Goal or Objective

Neighborhood Investment, Civic Infrastructure

Decision Options

1. Approve the report as presented;
2. Amend the report and approve as amended;
3. Continue consideration of the report to a future date. (Note: CAPER must be received by HUD by April 30, 2022.)

Council's Recommended Action

A motion to accept the recommendation of the Greeley Urban Renewal Authority to approve the City of Greeley's Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Program Year 2021 for submission to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Attachments

City of Greeley 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).