



## STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** October 22, 2025

**PRESENTER:** Jesus A. Gonzalez, City Engineer

**SUBJECT:** Public Hearing and Authorization of Submission of Application for Community Development Block Grant Funds for Program Year 2026-2027 (JG)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Council conduct a Public Hearing and adopt the resolution authorizing the submission of an application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for Program Year 2026-2027 for Solar Streetlight Improvements.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City of Kerman receives an annual allocation of Federal CDBG funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through an agreement with the County of Fresno (County). The City's funding allocation for Program Year 2026-2027 is estimated at \$167,000. Staff submitted an application to the County for installation of solar streetlights in the area bounded by Kearney Boulevard, Eighth Street, California Avenue, and Sixth Street.

The proposed Project involves the installation of approximately seventeen (17) solar streetlights to reduce lighting gaps, resulting in safer nighttime conditions. The City currently has fifteen lights in its possession and will procure an additional two (2) before the start of the Project. The Project is located within an area where over 51 percent of the households are low to moderate income. A preliminary application for the proposed Project was submitted to the County for verification of eligibility, and the County has determined the Project to be eligible for funding.

A Public Hearing is required to be held to allow interested citizens the opportunity to comment on projects or activities submitted for CDBG funding. The Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Mid Valley Times on October 8, 2025 and posted at City Hall.

### PROGRAM IMPACT:

The total Project estimated cost is \$182,000. The City's 2026-2027 Program Year CDBG funding allocation is estimated at \$167,000. The Project overage in the amount of \$21,000 will be through a local match funding source to be identified in the Program Year 2026-27 budget.

### ATTACHMENTS:

A. Resolution