



CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date	September 14, 2023
Originating Department	Administration
Contact Person	Phillip Hill, City Administrator
Title	Resolution No. 1914/Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Second Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with King County regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program

Legislative History

- First Presentation August 10, 2023
 - Second Presentation September 14, 2023
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Attachments:

1. Resolution Number 23-1914
 2. Second Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement
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Executive Summary

The purpose of this agenda bill is to provide the City Council with an opportunity to consider the second amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement (“ICA”) Regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Between the City of Lake Forest Park and King County. King County personnel have explained that the US. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) did not accept the content of the first amendment that Council approved last month. HUD’s attorney’s have approved this second amendment, which revises section one of the 2014 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Regarding Community Development Block Grant Program between the City and King County (ICA). King County has informed the City that the second amendment is required prior to September 28, 2023, in order to maintain federal funding.

Background

- CDBG is federal funding that HUD sends to the King County Consortium for capital projects and human services programs in the County.

- The City Council approved the 2015-2017 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program in August 2014.
- The ICA has renewed for 3-year terms since then.
- On July 21, 2023, King County notified the City, along with 28 other local jurisdictions, that HUD is requiring an amendment to the ICA to include language related to fair housing and civil rights obligations.
- King County explained that the City must sign the first amendment by August 21, 2023, to keep King County and the King County Consortium in HUD compliance for 2024-2026.
- King County later explained that the City must sign the second amendment by September 28, 2023, in order to keep the HUD compliance.

In August 2014, the City of Lake Forest Park entered into an interlocal cooperation agreement (pursuant to RCW Ch. 39.34) with King County to allow the City of Lake Forest Park to apply through King County for federal Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) funding for public infrastructure and park projects that serve moderate to low-income neighborhoods. In addition, the interlocal consortium provides community members and non-profits options to apply for home repair grants or loans, support homelessness, and human service funding, among others.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

King County has been notified by HUD that since King County is responsible to the federal government for all activities undertaken with CDBG funds and is responsible for all certifications and reporting to HUD that all agreements for CDBG funds must have language incorporating fair housing and civil rights obligations or the King County Consortium will lose HUD funding. The proposed second amendment restates existing ICA Section 1 with the addition of such language.

King County has stated that If the amendment is not approved, King County’s status as an “Urban County” would be void and HUD funds will not be available to the City of Lake Forest Park and potentially the entire King County Consortium in 2024-2026.

Alternatives

<i>Options</i>	<i>Results</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve the Resolution 	The City will continue to be eligible to apply and receive funding through the CDBG
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not Approve the Resolution 	The City will not be eligible for CDBG funding.

Staff Recommendation

Approve Resolution Number 23-1915 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Second Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with King County for the CDBG Program.