

Memorandum

To: Chair Hansen and Members of the Planning Commission

From: Daniel R. Buchholtz, MMC, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer

Date: April 28, 2022

Subject: CDBG Urban Requalification – Anoka County

Anoka County is moving forward with their Urban Requalification process to continue receiving and administering HUD funds from the CDBG and HOME programs. They are asking us to decide on opting-in with the Anoka County program.

Spring Lake Park spans two urban county entitlements. As such, the City Council has three options:

- 1. Designate the entire city be included as part of one urban county entitlement (Anoka or Ramsey) and excluded from the other;
- 2. Designate the city will participate in more than one "urban county" provided that a single portion of a split city cannot be included in more than one entitled urban county at a time; or
- 3. Opt-out of either urban county, thereby becoming eligible to apply for grants through HUD's small cities program or the State of Minnesota program.

Staff recommends opting-in and remaining a participant with Anoka County program. We have strong relationships with the staff at Anoka County Community and Governmental Relations, which will be helpful when the City has a project to move forward.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 763-784-6491.