



Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council

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

Date: April 25, 2025

Subject: Participation in Anoka County's Urban County Entitlement for CDBG and HOME Programs (2026-2028)

Every three years, Anoka County is required to requalify with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to maintain its designation as an "Urban County" for the purposes of administering Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program funds.

Spring Lake Park is classified as a "split city" because its municipal boundaries span both Anoka and Ramsey Counties. Under HUD rules, split cities must determine their jurisdictional alignment for each three-year entitlement period. The City may:

- Participate fully with one county;
- Divide participation by geographic area between counties; or
- Opt out entirely and apply independently through the HUD Small Cities or State-administered programs.

Spring Lake Park has historically participated with Anoka County, and that partnership has proven beneficial in securing and managing HUD resources for eligible community development projects.

For the upcoming federal fiscal years 2026 through 2028, staff recommends continuing this partnership and designating Anoka County as the sole Urban County entitlement for the entire City of Spring Lake Park, including the portion located within Ramsey County. This approach simplifies administration, ensures continuity in the grant process, and aligns with our historic practices.

Resolution 2025-13 formalizes this decision. Staff recommends approval of Resolution 2025-13.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 763-784-6491.