



Legislation Text

File #: Res. 2020-163R, **Version:** 1

AGENDA CAPTION:

Consider approval of Resolution 2020-163R, amending the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Action Plan for program year 2019-2020 adopted by Resolution No. 2019-121R to award \$105,530 to Hays County to increase or improve COVID-19 testing in the City of San Marcos; authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to act as the Official Representative of the City in matters related to the CDBG Program and Action Plan; and declaring an effective date.

Meeting date: August 4, 2020

Department: Planning and Development Services

Amount & Source of Funding

Funds Required: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Account Number: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Funds Available: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Account Name: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Fiscal Note:

Prior Council Action: On June 18, 2019, City Council approved by Resolution 2019-121R the Program Year 2019-2020 Community Development Block Grant Entitlement Action Plan ("the 2019 CDBG Action Plan") that provides for the allocation of \$680,998 awarded to the City of San Marcos by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Program Year beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020. On March 3, 2020, City Council approved Resolution 2020-54R amending the 2019 CDBG Action Plan to reallocate \$67,142.00 from the Unsafe Structures Program to the amount allocated for the Southside Community Center Rehab Program. On June 16, 2020, City Council approved Resolution 2020-131R amending the 2019 CDBG Action Plan to add the Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) allocation of \$425,261 and approving projects for the use of \$319,731 of those funds.

City Council Strategic Initiative: [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

Choose an item.

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Comprehensive Plan Element (s): [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu]

below]

- ☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.
- ☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.
- ☐ Land Use - Choose an item.
- ☐ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.
- ☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.
- ☐ Transportation - Choose an item.
- ☐ Core Services
- ☐ Not Applicable

Master Plan: *[Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]*

Choose an item.

Background Information:

On July 7, 2020, City Council received a Staff presentation and held a Public Hearing to receive comments for or against amending the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2019-2020 Action Plan to add a proposed COVID-19 Testing Program as an activity, using \$105,530 of the Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus Response (CDBG-CV) allocation of \$425,261. A public review and comment period was held from July 19 - 24. The City received three comments, two in support of the testing, and one that was informational. Hays County would be the lead agency in the COVID-19 testing program, using the funding to augment current testing occurring in San Marcos. Because of the evolving nature of the pandemic and federal funding available, if awarded, the \$105,530 could be used by the County for a variety of possible expenditures, all with the objective of providing additional testing or improving testing to citizens of San Marcos to help meet demand. Funding might be used for purchase of test kits, cost of lab testing, site staffing, sampling facility expenses, or other related activities, subject to CDBG requirements.

Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:

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Alternatives:

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Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the resolution to provide additional or improved COVID-19 testing for the City of

San Marcos through the Hays County testing program.