Department Source: Community Development - CDBG/Home

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: March 20, 2017

Re: Public Hearing for 2016 Consolidated Annual Performance Report (CAPER)

Executive Summary

The City receives Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) annually due to its population and demographics. The City of Columbia is required to submit a Consolidated Annual Performance Report (CAPER) in order to receive additional funds. The CAPER is documentation required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) summarizing CDBG and HOME expenditures, and progress in meeting the goals and objectives of the City's 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan during calendar year 2016. Prior to submission of the CAPER to HUD, the City's Citizen Participation Plan requires a public hearing and requires any comments from interested parties to be attached.

Discussion

The CAPER evaluates performance of HUD funded activities in the City of Columbia. It reviews expenditures and progress in meeting objectives in 2016, the first year of the current five year plan period. The report includes uses of the City's CDBG and HOME formula resources that address the HUD national objectives to provide "decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunity" for low-income populations. These activities include use of HUD funding, as well as other public and private funding. The City expended $1,130,351 in CDBG funds, $714,718.25 in HOME funds during the reporting period.

The Community Development Commission (CDC) held a meeting on Wednesday March 8, 2017 to review items to be contained within the report. The CDC does not make recommendations on the CAPER to council; however it uses the report as a resource with evaluating priority needs for future efforts. Public comments on the CAPER will be accepted through March 28, 2017.

The CAPER is an opportunity to review performance of specific programs and activities against the objectives and performance measures that were established by the Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan, approved by the Council in October 2014, is the City's long-range strategy for a five-year investment plan for community development, housing, and homeless services. It establishes annual objectives by activity and the CAPER examines progress on each objective. Areas with significant accomplishments included the following:

* Construction of 3 sidewalk projects completed in 2016 (Worley, N. Garth, Elleta Blvd)
* Services for Independent Living with the completion of 29 projects.
* Job Point completion of vocational training for 14 students.
* Grading and site infrastructure progress on Lynn Street homes and neighborhood engagement.
* Increased Homeownership Assistance Program participation with 35 participants.
* Columbia Housing Authority progress on Stuart Parker Development.
* JES Dev Co, Inc. completion of Gentry Estates Phase II.
* Significant progress on CMCA’s 3606 Woodside Drive residential construction.
* Implementation of Columbia Community Land Trust, Inc.
* Implementation of Affordable Housing Permit Fee Waiver and Rebate Ordinance.
* Development of the Enhance Your Attic Program in partnership with Water & Light and Sustainability staff.

The City CDBG/HOME loan portfolio balance was $7,995,937.74 at the end of 2016, which is an increase in the balance of $7,709,086.26 at the end of 2015. City staff projects the loan portfolio balance to exceed $8 million by end of 2017.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None.

Long-Term Impact: None.

Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

[Vision Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/CMS/vision/reports/visiongoals.php)

Primary Impact: Health, Social Services & Affordable Housing, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/city-manager/)

Primary Impact: Social Equity, Secondary Impact: Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Economy

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/community_development/comprehensive_plan/documents/ColumbiaImagined-FINAL.pdf)

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Tertiary Impact: Economic Development

Legislative History

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| Date | Action |
| 10/7/2014  4/4/2016  2/20/2017 | City Council adopted the 2015-2019 CDBG and HOME Consolidated Plan and 2015 Annual Action Plan.  Council approved the FY 2016 Annual Action Plan.  Council set hearing for public comment on the FY 2016 CAPER. |

Suggested Council Action

Conduct the public hearing to accept public comment.