

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Mayor and Council of the City of Tucson will hold a public hearing on August 11, 2020, at or after 5:30 p.m. The public hearing will be conducted online. You may view the public hearing at <https://www.tucsonaz.gov/gov/mayor-and-council-live>, in relation to the following:

Substantial Amendment to the City of Tucson 2019 Annual Action Plan in Response to the Covid 19 Pandemic

Background

The City of Tucson is the lead agency in the City of Tucson and Pima County Consortium (Consortium). The 2015-2019 Five-year Consolidated Plan (Consolidated Plan) identifies the needs and formulates a five-year strategic plan with programs, objectives, and outcomes that address the needs for housing, public facilities/infrastructure, and human services. The Annual Action Plans identify projects for the annual entitlement funds from HUD. The Citizen Participation Plan describes the efforts the City will take to encourage the community to participate in development of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans. The Citizen Participation Plan also defines a Substantial Amendment and describes the process for amending the Consolidated Plan when necessary.

The City of Tucson Citizen Participation Plan states that any new program must be noticed to the public prior to funding. The proposed amendments are substantial because they will increase ESG funding by more than 20% of the previous allocation.

Proposed amendment: The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) recommends the 2019 Annual Action Plan be amended to include \$5,562,939 from the ESG20-COVID Recover fund, all as identified in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to be utilized as follows:

Planned Use of Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) COVID-19 Resources

HCD will coordinate with Pima County to utilize \$2,000,000 for Rapid Rehousing and \$3,562,939 for Isolation Hotels.

The public will have two options to provide comment to the Mayor and Council:

Members of the public may submit written comments on any items scheduled as a public hearing. To do so, send an email to cityclerk@tucsonaz.gov. The email should include the individual's name, and the agenda item for comment. The comments will be limited to no more than 500 words.

The public comment period is from August 6, 2020 to August 10, 2020. Comments must be received by no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, August 10, 2020.

Individuals wishing to speak during the public hearing (subject to technological availability) will join the meeting via teleconference. You must submit a written request to cityclerk@tucsonaz.gov. The email should include your name, and the phone # you will use for the teleconference. The phone # will be used to identify the individual when/if being called upon to speak. Once your request to speak has been received by the City Clerk, you will be provided instructions on how to connect to the teleconference.

Requests to speak must be submitted no later than 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 11, 2020.