



DATE: September 19, 2017

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Director of Library and Community Services

SUBJECT Re-Execution of a Revised Cooperation Agreement for FYs 2018-2020 Between the City of Hayward and the County of Alameda to Participate in the Alameda County HOME Consortium

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council adopts the attached resolution (Attachment III) authorizing the City Manager to re-execute a Cooperation Agreement and all other implementing documents to enable the City of Hayward to participate in the Alameda County HOME Consortium.

BACKGROUND

On June 13, 2017, the City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Cooperation Agreement (the Agreement) to enable the City's continued participation in the Alameda County HOME Consortium (the Consortium) for the next three federal fiscal years – October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2020. Soon thereafter, the City Manager executed the Agreement and staff mailed it to the Alameda County Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), the lead administrative agency of the Consortium.

As explained in the June 13, 2017 staff report (see Attachment II), upon receipt, HCD executes the Agreement and forwards it to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) along with other forms and the resolutions from member jurisdictions approving participation in the Consortium. All this documentation is referred to as the "Requalification Package."

DISCUSSION

Upon its review of the Requalification Package, HUD determined that the Agreement did not meet certain statutory requirements for a HOME Consortium agreement. Consequently, HUD requested that the Consortium resubmit the Agreement along with a new resolution. HUD is firm about the latter. For this reason, staff recommends that the City Council adopts the attached resolution authorizing the City Manager to re-execute the Agreement and enable the

City's continued participation in the Consortium for the next three federal fiscal years – October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2020.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

The re-execution of the Agreement approving the City's continued participation in the Consortium allows the City to receive an annual allocation of HOME program funds which continues to be critical to further the City's Housing Element goal of providing affordable housing opportunities to all the socio-economic segments of the City's population.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

This agenda item supports the Complete Communities strategic initiative. The purpose of the Complete Communities strategy is to create and support structures, services, and amenities to provide inclusive and equitable access with the goal of becoming a thriving and promising place to live, work and play for all. This item supports the following goal and objectives:

Goal 2: Provide a mix of housing stock for all Hayward residents and community members, including the expansion of affordable housing opportunities and resources.

Objective 1: Centralize and expand housing services.

Objective 2: Facilitate the development of diverse housing types that serve the needs of all populations.

Objective 4: Increase supply of affordable, safe and resilient housing in Hayward.

FISCAL IMPACT

The re-execution of the Agreement does not represent an impact to the City's General Fund; however, the City's participation in the Consortium allows it to receive an annual allocation of HOME funds from HUD for both project implementation and a portion of administrative costs associated with the implementation of program activities.

PUBLIC CONTACT

The adoption of the attached resolution is required by HUD to acknowledge the re-execution of the Agreement which, in turn, will allow the City's continued participation in the Consortium. Thus, both the adoption of the resolution and the re-execution of the Agreement are only steps of an administrative procedure to comply with HUD's request. Neither HUD nor the County requires a public hearing or other public contact for the execution or re-execution of the Agreement.

NEXT STEPS

Future commitments and appropriation of HOME funds for program-eligible activities will require Council approval. Staff will later return to Council to recommend the allocation of HOME funds to eligible housing projects or programs as they are identified but none has been identified for this Agreement term yet.

Upon execution by the City Manager, the Agreement will be sent to the County for execution. Both the Agreement and the attached resolution will form part of the Consortium's Requalification Package that the County will forward to HUD.

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