

The City of Taylor Executive Summary of the Second Substantial Amendment to
the
2019 Annual Action Plan to facilitate CDBG-CV third round Funding

The March 27, 2020 passage of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, provides \$5 billion in Community Development Block Grant funds to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). As an entitlement community, City of Taylor (“City) received \$283,025 in Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) first round funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Recently, HUD informed the City that the jurisdiction’s allocation for the third round is \$325,478. To expedite the disbursement of the City’s new allocation of CDBG-CV third round funds, via 24 CFR 5.110, the CARES Act authorized HUD to grant waivers to the public notice, public comment, and citizen participation plan requirements found in 24 CFR 91.105(2) and (k) and 24 CFR 91.40. In addition to the public notice/comment waivers, the CARES Act also established the following regulatory waivers, all of which, City will utilize under proposed Second Amendment:

1. The public services cap of 15% is suspended for the City’s CDBG- CV3 funds.
2. The CARES Act permits the use of virtual public hearings when necessary for public health reasons, however the City’s Citizens participation plan states that the City is not required to perform a public hearing for substantial amendments. The City will post the notice of funding for comments from the public for 5 days as required by the CARES Act.
3. The CARES Act permits plan amendments and other plan publications to occur concurrently. The Substantial Amendment to the City’s 2019 Action Plan will result in the allocation of **\$325,478 of CDBG-CV** third round funds “CDBG-CV3” that further address the City’s effort to comply with HUD’s regulatory requirements in administering the community’s CDBG Program, including CDBG-CV funds.

The Second Substantial Amendment amends the following areas of the 2019 Annual Action Plan in response to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) and various waivers provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD):

2019 Annual Action Plan

- AP 15EXPECTEDRESOURCES–91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)
Updated Available Resources section to account for CDBG-CV3 Funds
- AP 35PROJECTS–91.420,91.220(d)
Updated project list to account for CDBG-CV3 funded activities
- AP 38PROJECTSUMMARY
Updated project summary table to account for CDBG-CV3 funded activities

AMENDMENTS TO THE 2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, a copy of the City’s 2019 Annual Action Plan (AAP) can be found on the City’s webpage.

The following are the proposed amendments to the AAP to direct CDBG-CV third round funds in accordance with HUD guidelines (COVID-19 Response and Recovery).

AP 15 EXPECTED RESOURCES–91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2) Under Substantial Amendment 2020-1, City will update its “Anticipated Resources” table to include expected CDBG-CV3 funding of ***\$325,478*** (in italics).

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	474,840	0	0	474,840	0	CDBG eligible activities within qualified census tract and services to eligible low to moderate-income people.
Other	public - federal	Admin and Planning Economic Development Public Services	<i>608,503</i>	0	0	<i>608,503</i>	0	Emergency response for the prevention and preparation for the COVID-19 Pandemic

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			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
Other	public - federal	Housing Other	250,248	0	0	250,248	0	HOME Consortia Participating Member portion of funds. To be used for HOME eligible activities such as housing rehabilitation and housing construction

Table 1 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

AP 35PROJECTS–91.420,91.220(d) Under Substantial Amendment 2020-2, City will update its Project table by adding CDBG-CV projects to accommodate CARES Act response with CDBG-CV3 Funds (amendment language in italics below).

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

#	Project Name
1	General Administration and Planning
2	Public Service
3	Homeowner rehabilitation
4	Parks
5	Infrastructure Improvements
6	Administration and Planning of CDBG-CV funds
7	Fish and Loaves CDBG-CV
8	Economic Development CDBG-CV
9	<i>Rental or Mortgage Subsistence Payment Program CDBG-CV3</i>
10	<i>Economic Development CDBG-CV 3</i>
11	<i>Administration and Planning of CDBG-CV 3</i>

Table 2 – Project Information

AP 38 PROJECTSUMMARY Under Substantial Amendment 2020-1, the City will update its Project Summary table to by adding the summaries of the CDBG-CV3 projects (amendment language in italics below).

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

9	Project Name	<i>Administration and Planning of CDBG-CV3 funds</i>
	Target Area	City of Taylor
	Goals Supported	Enhance Quality of Living Environment
	Needs Addressed	Administration and Planning
	Funding	CDBG-CV3: \$65,096
	Description	Administration to assist with the projects relating to the Covid-19 Pandemic.
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	City of Taylor
	Planned Activities	Administration to assist with the projects relating to the Covid-19 Pandemic.
10	Project Name	<i>Rental or Mortgage Subsistence Payment Program CDBG-CV3 funds</i>
	Target Area	City of Taylor
	Goals Supported	Emergency Response housing
	Needs Addressed	Emergency Response housing

Funding	CDBG-CV3: \$187,500
Description	Provide rental or mortgage payment subsistence assistance to low to moderate income renters or homeowners impacted City of Taylor residents who have lost their job, been furloughed, or had their hours reduced because of the economic impact of COVID-19. Payments for rent are made directly to the landlord or vendor providing the housing on behalf of the qualified resident. Payments for Mortgage are made directly to the mortgage provider or lender on the applicants' behalf. Eligible residents include those living in households with incomes at or below 80% AMI and can provide documentation of need due to the applicable impact of COVID-19, etc. Assistance will be provided to qualified rental households on a first come first serve basis until the allocated funds are exhausted or the assistance program is no longer found to be necessary.
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Up to 173
Location Description	City of Taylor
Planned Activities	Provide rental or mortgage payment subsistence assistance.

Project Name	Economic Development- <i>CDBG-CV3 funds</i>
Target Area	Taylor LMA Census Tracts
Goals Supported	Foster Economic Development
Needs Addressed	Economic Development
Funding	CDBG-CV3: \$72,882
Description	The City will create a program designed to minimize and avoid job loss caused by business closures related to COVID-19 and social distancing by providing short-term working capital assistance to small businesses to enable retention of jobs held by low- and moderate-income persons.
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Up to 10 businesses or more is depending on the size of the grant.
Location Description	LMA where the businesses are located that were severely impacted by Covid-19 Pandemic.
Planned Activities	The provision of assistance to a private for-profit business, including, but not limited to, grants, loans, loan guarantees, interest supplements, technical assistance, and other forms of support, for any activity where the assistance is appropriate to carry out an economic development project, excluding those described as ineligible in §570.207(a). In selecting businesses to assist under this authority, the recipient shall minimize, to the extent practicable, displacement of existing businesses and jobs in neighborhoods. The City will provide direct financial assistance to small businesses to enable retention and creations of jobs due to Covid-19 Pandemic.

