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## Memo

To:

Bethlehem City Council

From:

Alicia Miller Karner

CC:

Mayor Robert Donchez

Date:

March 30, 2021

Re:

**CDBG Funding Requests** 

The City of Bethlehem has completed the public participation program and process required by HUD for the PY 2021 CDBG and HOME Annual Action Plan (AAP).

The proposed AAP was presented to the Community Development Committee on March 23, 2021 at 6:00 PM. Council members asked programmatic and project questions and there was time allocated for public comments. Council questions and discussion points were:

- Provide reasons and purpose for HUD placing spending caps on CDBG/HOME program administration and public services.
- 2021 allocations and project determinations/evaluation
- Support for shelter assistance
- Future communication on program spending status

All questions were answered to Council satisfaction and the hearing was closed. Council recommended to formally approve the AAP Plan at the April 6, 2021 Council meeting through the passage of a resolution. See attached resolution approving the AAP and its submission to HUD. There was no additional comments written or received by the public, Council or subrecipient entities.

As required the hearing notification was duly posted on the City's website. All interested entities, agencies and subrecipients were notified and provided links to the following:

- AAP draft plan,

- Program and or project allocations Hearing notification, and March 23<sup>rd</sup> hearing participation instructions.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-**

WHEREAS, Federal regulations allow the City of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, as a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) entitlement community, to prepare the 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program Annual Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem held a public hearing on March 23, 2021 and made the documents available for public display for the required 30-day comment period from March 8, 2021, to April 6, 2021, and made the Plan available to the public online at <a href="https://www.bethlehem-pa.gov">www.bethlehem-pa.gov</a>.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM:

- 1. That the Annual Action Plan for PY 2021 for the City of Bethlehem for the period from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, is hereby approved.
- 2. That the Mayor of the City of Bethlehem is authorized to submit the PY 2021 Annual Action Plan and the necessary assurances and certifications for HUD approval.

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City Clerk				