

CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

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HCD17-48 "Substantial Amendment" for Disaster Recovery - 2015 Flood Events

Agenda Item#:

Background:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) requests approval of a "Substantial Amendment" to the Houston Action Plan for Disaster Recovery - 2015 Flood Events (Plan) to reallocate \$11,143,507.21 from the Housing Buyout and Planning line items to the Facilities and Improvements (Infrastructure) line item.

The original budget submitted in the Plan estimated the proposed amounts for each budget line item. HCDD proposes to decrease the Housing Buyout and the Planning line item amounts; the funds from these reductions will increase the Facilities and Improvements line item. This "Substantial Amendment" does not result in any change in the total funds awarded for the 2015 Flood Events. The chart below shows the changes in the budget for the CDBG-DR15.

Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Budget Changes		
Budget Line Item Amended	Budget Decrease	Budget Increase
Housing Buyout	\$ (9,340,000.00)	
Planning	\$ (1,803,507.21)	
Facilities and Improvements (Infrastructure)		\$11,143,507.21

Total CDBG-DR Budget Changes: \$(11,143,507.21) \$11,143,507.21

The purpose of this change is to reflect the need of the community and realign funds to effectively manage the CDBG-DR15 funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). A copy of the public notice stating these changes can be viewed on the CDBG-DR15 website at http://houstontx.gov/housing/2015_Flood_Events_Recovery.html.

In accordance with HUD's Citizen Participation Plan regulations and the Citizen Participation Plan for Houston's CDBG-DR15 Program, the City is required to amend components of its Plan for a variety of reasons, including when a reallocation of funds increases or decreases the budget of an activity by more than 25% or when a new activity is added to the Plan.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on May 16, 2017.

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