



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 11/13/2019

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HCD19-111 Lien Modifications for Harvey Homeowner Assistance Program

Agenda Item#: 44.

Background:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends an ordinance to approve changes to the lien requirements on assistance through the Homeowner Assistance Program (HoAP). HCDD has received approval from the General Land Office (GLO) for changes to the lien requirements on assistance through the Homeowner Assistance Program (HoAP). For assistance up to \$80,000.00, no lien will be placed on the property.

This lien modification is designed to ensure Houstonians receive the assistance needed to recover from Harvey, without concerns about potential financial burden placed on their property.

Assistance will be provided in the form of a grant, a zero-interest unsecured forgivable loan, or a zero-interest secured forgivable loan as follows:

- For assistance that is \$20,000.00 or less, it will be considered a Grant Award.
- For assistance \$20,001.00 to \$80,000.00, there will be a three (3) year unsecured compliance period.
- For assistance \$80,001.00 and up, there will be a 20-year compliance period secured by a lien.

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on October 15, 2019.

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Tom McCasland, Director

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Prior Council Action:

- 6-27-2018 (O) 2018-518
- 1-2-2019 (O) 2019-10
- 1-9-2019 (O) 2019-20

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Ordinance 2018-518 Hurricane Harvey Action Plan	Ordinance/Resolution/Motion
Ordinance 2019-10 Hurricane Harvey GLO Contract	Ordinance/Resolution/Motion
Ordinance 2019-20 Guidelines for Harvey Homeowner Assistance Program	Ordinance/Resolution/Motion