City of Capitola

Notice of Public Hearing for Discussion of the 2024 Community Development Block Grant Program and Potential Applications for Funding

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Capitola will conduct a public hearing on July 24, 2024, at 5:00 p.m., at City Council Chambers located at 420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, CA in order to discuss possible applications for funding under the 2024 (July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025) State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and to solicit public input on possible activities to be included in the application and general program overview.

The Community Development and Economic Development Allocations of the State CDBG program will be published in a "Notice of Funding Availability" (NOFA) each program year. Although the NOFA has not been released yet, staff are estimating that approximately \$44 million will be made available statewide based on HCD guidance. Under the Community Development Allocation, eligible cities and counties will be allowed to apply for a maximum of \$3,600,000 for up to three activities. The NOFA will again include an "Over the Counter" (OTC) component for infrastructure, housing, and economic development, as well as a competitive component for planning and public service programs.

Eligible activities under the above allocations in the NOFA consist of the follow OTC categories: public improvements, public facilities, homeownership assistance, housing rehabilitation, business assistance and microenterprise activities. The other options allowed under the competitive component include planning studies and public service programs. Eligible activities paid for with state CDBG funds must meet one or more of the three national objectives listed in CDBG federal statutes as follows: benefit to low-income households or persons (defined as at or below 80% of the county median income); elimination of slums and blight; or meeting urgent community development need (a need from a state or federally declared disaster).

The City of Capitola anticipates submitting an application under the 2024 NOFA. The purpose of this public hearing is to give the public an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the City should apply for under the State CDBG program and learn more about the CDBG program.

If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact City Hall at (831) 475-7300. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Capitola, Attn: Community Development, 420 Capitola Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010, or email kherlihy@ci.capitola.ca.us. In addition, information is available for review at the above address during regular business hours.

The City of Capitola promotes fair housing and makes all its programs available to low- and moderate-income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, marital status, or handicap.

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