

# **Fiscal Year 2020 CAPER**

# Attachment 1: Public Notices and Comments

#### Fiscal Year 2020 CAPER

#### **Public Comments and Staff Responses**

Following are the questions and comments received on the Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 CAPER and the responses provided by staff, where warranted. The Draft FY 2020 CAPER was made available for public review from **November 18, 2020 to December 2, 2020**.

During the public review period, the Draft FY 2020 CAPER was posted online for viewing at the City of San Diego's CDBG Program website: <u>http://www.sandiego.gov/cdbg</u>. Due to COVID-19, the CAPER was only available through the City's website.

The public was provided the opportunity to send comments via email to <u>cdbg@sandiego.gov</u>, and to make public comments at one of the two virtual public meetings: the November 18, 2020 Consolidated Plan Advisory Board Meeting, and the December 15, 2020 City Council Hearing.

#### November 18, 2020 Consolidated Plan Advisory Board Meeting (CPAB)

#### **Rich Thesing, CPAB member**

Mr. Thesing asked whether the eight Consolidated Plan goals are listed in order of priority.

*Staff response: Mr. Leonardo Alarcon, Project Specialist, responded that the Consolidated Plan goals are not listed in order of priority.* 

Mr. Thesing asked whether priorities are constantly re-evaluated and whether changes in priorities and goals can be reflected in the 5-year Consolidated Plan.

Staff response: Ms. Angela Nazareno Clark, Program Manager, responded that changes to goals can be made. The City receives monthly and quarterly reports from subrecipients that are shared with management and help staff evaluate whether goals can be met.

#### December 15, 2020 - City Council Meeting

#### **Councilmember Joe LaCava, District 1**

Councilmember LaCava thanked staff for the detailed report. Councilmember LaCava asked whether staff noticed any changes that may need to be made to the program, given that the City is in its first year of the Fiscal Years 2020 -2024 Consolidated Plan cycle.

Staff response: Ms. Christina Bibler, director of the Economic Development department, emphasized the importance of being flexible and able to adapt to current conditions in 2020. Staff ask the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) many questions on how the City can pivot to make changes, and the FY 2021 Action Plan is indicative of City staff having to be flexible to respond to the needs of communities and nonprofits.

Councilmember LaCava also asked whether there was any information on the funding levels at the federal level in the coming year.



Staff response: Ms. Bibler responded that staff plan for entitlement funding to be what it has been in the past, and that staff work closely with government affairs and the HUD office should anything come forward to indicate that funding levels will be different.

#### **Councilmember Monica Montgomery Steppe, District 4**

Councilmember Montgomery Steppe thanked staff members for the report and presentation. She noted that although she did have some questions prior to the council meeting, specifically around the number of individuals served, that the report dug into the type of services provided to individuals, and the breakdown of individuals served was very helpful. Councilmember Montgomery Steppe also added that highlighting the different projects and allocation of funding in various council districts was helpful to see.

#### Public Comments

#### Ms. Kathryn Rhodes

Ms. Rhodes stated that to properly evaluate the information presented in the CAPER, the IDIS reports should be part of the draft document. Ms. Rhodes noted that the PR-26 CDBG Financial Summary report is helpful in evaluating the report. Ms. Rhodes also mentioned the \$215 million program income from the HUD ORG audit debt repayment to the CDBG program income. Ms. Rhodes requested staff to attach the IDIS reports.

(Staff note: IDIS reports are available in the Final version of the CAPER.)

#### Ms. Martha Welsch

Ms. Welsch stated that residents that have access to HUD affordable housing units are ineligible. Ms. Welsch also noted the lack of affordable housing options in the City.

#### Written Comments

No written comments were received.

Public notice posted online on November 17, 2020: https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/ default/files/publicnotice15daycaper.pdf



#### **NOTICE of 15-Day Public Review**

#### Draft Fiscal Year 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FY 20 CAPER will be available for a 15-day public review beginning on **November 17, 2020**. All referenced documents will be available for review on the City's website (www.sandiego.gov/cdbg). Please direct any inquiries or comments regarding the CAPER in writing to: cdbg@sandiego.gov. Direct comments to the attention of: Draft Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). **The comment period will close on December 2nd, 2020 at 5:00 pm.** 

The CAPER is prepared on an annual basis for submittal to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and is required as part of the annual funding granted to the City as part of the following federal programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME); Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG); and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). The CAPER provides an assessment of the City's progress toward meeting its goals and high-priority needs for these federal programs. The CAPER reports on how funds were spent for the reporting period and on the beneficiaries of the community development, social services, and housing activities undertaken.

As required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), requests for information to be made available in alternative formats may be made by contacting the City Clerk at cityclerk@sandiego.gov or (619) 533-4000. The City is committed to resolving accessibility requests swiftly in order to maximize accessibility.

## Email sent out on November 17, 2020

# The City of Economic Development

## **Community Development Division**

# Draft FY 2020 CAPER Available for Public Comment

The City of San Diego's <u>Draft Fiscal Year 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance</u> <u>Report (CAPER)</u> is now available for public review and comment. The CAPER outlines the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 accomplishments and activities of projects and programs funded by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program.

The City invites you to review the FY 2020 CAPER on the City's CDBG website:

https://www.sandiego.gov/cdbg/general/plansreports

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**The comment period will close on December 2nd, 2020 at 5:00 pm PST.** Thank you for your participation and interest in this process.



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