

January 4, 2005

**Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Hermosa Beach City Council**

**Regular Meeting of
January 25, 2005**

SUBJECT: 2005-2006 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

PURPOSE: APPROVE THE 2005-06 CDBG ALLOCATION FOR RETROFITTING THE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.

COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE CDBG PROGRAM.

Recommendation:

That the City Council approve by resolution the allocation of Community Development Block Grant funds for retrofitting the Community Center to comply with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) and for program administration.

Background:

The City's federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocation for the present fiscal year (04-05) is \$113,157. Early indications are that for fiscal year 05-06, funding for the entire federal CDBG program will be reduced by about five percent. Therefore, although new allocations have not yet been established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), administrative deadlines require City adoption of the annual Planning Summary in the January before the start of the applicable fiscal year. Thus, an estimate of the new yearly allocation is required. Using the five percent reduction amount, we are estimating a FY 05-06 allocation of \$107,000 for Hermosa Beach. The present agenda item is to recognize that allocation amount.

Analysis:

Over the last nine years, the City has been utilizing CDBG funding for various Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) related projects throughout the City. The funding for Fiscal Year 2005 – 2006 is proposed to be allocated as follows:

- An estimated \$96,300, to be added to the CDBG funding from previous years for the ongoing multiphase Community Center ADA retrofit.
- An estimated \$10,700 for program administration (10% of the total allocation)

The Community Center project is eligible for funding under the National Objective Citations 570.201 (k) and 570.208 (a)2(ii). These objectives recognize that removal of architectural barriers benefits low and moderate income persons, since a majority of disabled persons have low and moderate incomes who benefit by improved access to public facilities. Projects consistent with these objectives need not submit evidence that the expenditure of funds benefit low and moderate income persons, but must submit evidence that funding was expended for

removal of architectural barriers. Also, under HUD rules, up to ten percent of the total allocation is available for program administration.

The Community Center ADA retrofit project consists of five phases:

1. The community center theater;
2. Exterior improvements for accessible paths of travel to the community center buildings;
3. The community center main classroom building;
4. The cafeteria building;
5. The secondary classroom building.

The Phase 1 and 2 improvements have been completed. The theater has been retrofitted and the new exterior walkways have been constructed at a cost of \$342,000.

Per City Council authorization, the architectural firm of J.C. Chang & Associates has been hired to prepare plans for retrofitting the buildings in Phases 3-5. Plans have been completed and a bid package is being prepared. The new allocation will increase the total project budget for all phases to \$602,417 (\$506,147 previously allocated plus the added \$96,300). Subtracting the \$342,000 already spent on Phases 1-2, \$260,417 will now be available for the remaining phases. Additional funds will be available after that from the following fiscal year's (2006/07) CDBG allocation.

With approval of the subject allocation, staff will proceed with the preparation of bid documents for City Council consideration for construction of Phases 3 through 5 of the Community Center project.

Approved for Fiscal Impact

Sol Blumenfeld, Director
Community Development Department

Viki Copeland, Director Finance

Concur:

Stephen R. Burrell,
City Manager

Attachments:

1. Resolution of Approval
2. Program Planning Summary Form

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RESOLUTION 05-

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA
BEACH, APPROVING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006**

The City Council of the City of Hermosa Beach does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1. City staff estimates that the City's CDBG allocation for the 2005-2006 fiscal year will be approximately \$107,000.

Section 2. The City Council, pursuant to applicable law, held a duly noticed hearing on January 25, 2005 to consider the proposed CDBG allocation and budget, at which hearing testimony and evidence, both written and oral, was presented to and considered by the Council.

Section 3. Based on the foregoing, the City Council hereby:

1. Approves the proposed CDBG program budget and instructs staff to submit the CDBG Program Planning Summary, attached hereto as Exhibit 1, to the Los Angeles County Community Development Commission for approval; and

2. Authorizes staff to adjust the program budget as necessary to take into account the final CDBG allocation from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and any amounts remaining unspent at the close of the fiscal year.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 25th day of January, 2005

PRESIDENT of the City Council and MAYOR of the City of Hermosa Beach, California

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY CLERK

CITY ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT 1: CDBG PROGRAM PLANNING SUMMARY FORM

Please complete the following items of information concerning your 2005-2006 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year activities:

1. City Name: Hermosa Beach
2. Available Funds:
 - 2005-2006 CDBG Allocation: \$ 107,000
 - Unallocated Funds: \$ 0
 - Section 108 Loan Funds: \$
 - **TOTAL FUNDS:** \$ 107,000
 - Total CDBG Section 108 Loan Repayment for 2004-2005: \$ < >
 - **TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS:** \$ 107,000
3. 90 % Percent of funds allocated to Low/Moderate Income National Objective.
4. 0 % Percent of funds allocated to Slum/Blight National Objective.
5. \$26,750 Total amount of funds available for Public Service Activities (not to exceed 25%).
6. 0 % Percent of funds allocated to Public Service Activities.
7. 10 % Percent of funds allocated to Planning and/or Administration Activities.
8. Yes Is your City subject to Section 3 requirements? (Yes/No)
9. 1 Please list the project number for each activity subject to Section 3 requirements.
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AGENCY APPROVALS:

Name and Title of the Preparer: Larry Lawrence, Interim Program Manager

Signature of the Preparer: _____

Date Submitted to the CDC: _____

CDC APPROVALS:

Date Received: _____

Signature of the Program Manager: _____

Signature of the Supervisor: _____

Date Approved: _____