



City of Apache Junction

Finance Department



DATE: June 18, 2024

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Bryant Powell, City Manager
Angelie Hawley, Finance Director

FROM: Misty Moseley-Helber, Grants Administrator

SUBJECT: Public Hearing and Resolution No. 24-24 authorizing the submission of the city's FY24 CDBG and SSP Applications

REQUEST

Presentation, discussion, and action on:

1. Conduct a public hearing to receive input and discuss potential projects for the utilization of Fiscal Year 2024 ("FY24") Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Regional Account ("RA") funds and State Special Project ("SSP") funds.
2. Select the project(s) to be submitted for FY24 CDBG RA and SSP funding; and
3. Review, discuss, and approve Resolution 24-24, authorizing the submission of the city's FY24 CDBG and SSP applications.

Both programs are federal grant programs administered by the Arizona Department of Housing ("ADOH"). The CDBG RA funding is allocated to the community as long as a viable project is submitted. The SSP funding is awarded through a statewide competitive application process.

BACKGROUND

The city has participated in the CDBG program since 1982. For participation, a community must be able to document citizens and officials have been given the opportunity to discuss community needs and suggest possible projects. Ultimately, the decision on which CDBG and SSP projects will be submitted rests with the elected officials in a community.

AMOUNT OF FUNDS AVAILABLE

The city will receive \$169,215 in CDBG RA funds. These funds are guaranteed to the community as long as a viable project is submitted for funding to ADOH. This application is due August 1, 2024.

In years past, the city partnered with the Town of Payson to receive double funding every other year but that partnership ended in 2011. The city was approached by Gila County in April 2021 with a similar partnership proposal which is still in effect. The city will receive Gila County's

portion of funding in FY24, effectively doubling the amount to \$169,215. Gila County received the city's portion of funding in FY23.

The city may submit an application for SSP funds and request up to \$750,000. This application is due August 20, 2024.

DISCUSSION

Based upon the city's current low to moderate income status (which is 57.07%), the city can focus CDBG and SSP efforts on projects that meet the following criteria:

- 1) Benefit the entire community (park improvements);
- 2) Assist persons within a limited clientele category (seniors, disabled); and/or
- 3) Assist homeowners who are proven to be low-income (housing rehabilitation).

RECOMMENDATION/ACTION REQUIRED

Staff respectfully recommends the city council:

1. Conduct a public hearing and review the proposed project(s).
2. Select the project(s) to be submitted for FY24 CDBG RA and SSP funding. The following is recommended by city staff:
 - a. Park improvements, to include lighting retrofit (both CDBG and SSP eligible).
3. Approve Resolution No. 24-24.

ATTACHMENT

Resolution No. 24-24